SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE FIRST AND SECOND MEETINGS OF DELEGATIONS OF AALCO MEMBER STATES HELD ON MONDAY, 27TH JUNE 2005 AT 2:45 PM

His Excellency Dr. Hamid Awaluddin, Minister of Law and Human Rights and the President of the Forty-Third Session of AALCO in the Chair.

1. **The President** referred to the **Provisional Agenda** for the Forty-Fourth Session and sought the views of Member States on it. There being no comments from the delegations the President declared the agenda adopted.

2. The next item taken for up consideration was relating to the Admission of Observers. The Secretary-General drew attention to paragraph 18 (1) of the present Statutory Rules of AALCO, which states that, the "Organization may at its discretion admit to its annual sessions observers from nonparticipating States, regional, inter-regional and international organizations and specialized agencies the national liberation and by United movements recognized the Nations."

There being no comments, the participation of Observers was approved by the Meeting.

3. The Meeting then took up the agenda item "Election of the President". The Leader of Delegation of the People's Republic of China proposed that His Excellency Mr. Amos Wako the Attorney General of the Republic of Kenya be elected as the President of the Forty-Fourth Session of AALCO. Listing out the rich experience of Mr. Amos Wako, the delegate expressed confidence that he would successfully steer the work of the Organization.

4. The **Leader of Delegation of Ghana** seconded the proposal and endorsing the views expressed by the Leader of Delegation of the People's Republic of China said that Mr. Amos Wako would provide an effective leadership to the Organization.

5. The meeting unanimously elected His Excellency Mr. Amos Wako as the President of the Forty-Fourth Session of AALCO.

6. As regards the item, the "Election of Vice-President" the Leader of Delegation of Sudan proposed the name of H.E. Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Abdul Gani Patail, Attorney General of Malaysia for the post of Vice-President of the Forty-Fourth Session of AALCO. The delegate recounted the wide experience of the nominee in dealing with legal matters in his country, and Government.

7. The **Leader of Delegation of Japan** seconded the proposal.

8. The meeting unanimously elected Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Abdul Gani Patail as the Vice-President of the Session.

[The President of the Forty-Fourth Session assumed seat on the Dias.]

9. The **President** at the outset expressed his sincere gratitude to all the delegations for electing him as President of the Forty-Fourth session of AALCO, which was being held in Nairobi He conveved his heartfelt congratulations to H.E. Dr. Hamid Awaluddin, Minister of Law and Human Rights, Republic of Indonesia, for the exemplary manner in which he discharged his duties as the President of the Forty-Third Session. The President said that he would try his best to live up to the aspirations of the AALCO Member States and he was sure that the Secretary-General would guide and support him in performing his duty in the spirit of AALCO.