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The Secretariat of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO) presents its compliments to the Embassies and High Commissions of Member States of AALCO in New Delhi and has the honor to inform the latter that applications are now invited for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Training Session of *China-AALCO Exchange and Research Program on International Law (CAERP)*, which will be held from 3 to 20 September, 2017 in Beijing and from 20 to 24 September, 2017 in Hong Kong, People's Republic of China.

The establishment of CAERP was announced in mid-April 2015 by the Government of China during its hosting of the Fifty-Fourth Annual Session in Beijing. Fully funded by the Government of China and open to all Member States of AALCO, CAERP is designed as a long-term facility to support the further progress of AALCO and better fulfillment of the Organization's objectives and missions in the new era. It aims to promote exchange and dialogue, share good practices, experience and knowledge, and enhance capacity-building in the field of international law among AALCO's Member States. It also aims to support the work and activities of AALCO, through organizing and funding seminars and training sessions for officials and practitioners of Member States, facilitating research on major international law issues of common interest, and providing support to relevant working groups and expert meetings established by AALCO.

As an integral part of the CAERP, and based on the valuable feedback provided by the participants of previous sessions 3<sup>rd</sup> session will continue to provide a wide range of courses on international law both in Beijing and Hong Kong. The courses will be delivered in English and will be of both academic and practical value as world-renowned legal scholars and practitioners in various fields of international law. Additionally, the 3<sup>rd</sup> session will also include visits to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Supreme People's Court of China.

The detailed schedule and arrangement of the training session will be posted in early July on the official website of CAERP [www.china-aalco.mfa.gov.cn](http://www.china-aalco.mfa.gov.cn)

The Government of China will cover all training costs, including flight tickets, accommodation, meals and airport transportation for **participants from Member States except developed economies (Japan, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Cyprus) and the Secretariat**, and will cover all travel costs **except flight tickets**, for **participants from developed economies (Japan, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Cyprus)**.

All the participants are recommended to purchase health insurance before attending the training session.

The AALCO Member States are warmly invited to recommend their officials in charge of foreign and legal affairs (each State can recommend **one participant**). The applicants are invited to apply by filling the Application Form (available on [www.china-aalco.mfa.gov.cn](http://www.china-aalco.mfa.gov.cn)) and submit it by **10 July 2017** to the Chinese Embassies in their countries and the AALCO Secretariat respectively.

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The Secretariat of the Asian-African legal Consultative Organization (AALCO) avails itself of this opportunity to reiterate to the Embassies/ High Commissions of Member States of AALCO in New Delhi the assurances of its highest consideration.

To,  
The Embassies / High Commissions of Member States of AALCO  
New Delhi

CC: Liaison Officers

