SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE RECONVENED THIRD MEETING OF DELEGATIONS OF AALCO MEMBER STATES, HELD ON 1st JULY 2005 AT 5.15PM

H.E. Mr. Amos Wako, the President of the Forty-Fourth Session in the Chair

- 1. **The President** proceeded with the documents, which were deferred in the morning session for consideration after the break, namely, summary report of the Fourth General Meeting, Fifth general meeting, Third Meeting of Delegations of AALCO Member States, Venue of the Forty-Fifth session, Sixth General Meeting and closing statements.
- 2. As there were no comments from the delegations the summary report of the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth General Meetings and Third Meeting of Delegations of AALCO Member states were adopted unanimously.
- 3. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/ORG 3, " **Progress Report on Regional Centers for Arbitration**" for consideration; as there were no comments the resolution was unanimously adopted.
- 4. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/ORG 4, " **AALCO's Center for Research and Training**" for consideration; as there were no comments the resolution was unanimously adopted.
- 5. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/ORG 5, "Establishment of the Permanent Headquarters of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization" for consideration; as there were no comments the resolution was unanimously adopted.
- 6. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/ORG.7, "Venue of the Forty-Fifth Session" for consideration.
- 7. **The Leader of Delegation of Ghana** proposed a minor modification "Keeping in View...enable all the delegations of Member States to attend to the inauguration...", the word "to" is unnecessary. i.e. "...Member States to attend the inauguration..."

- 8. The Leader of Delegation of People's Republic of China proposed in operative paragraph 1, at the end of the paragraph, after "New Delhi" add "Republic of India".
- 9. The resolution, as amended, was adopted.
- 10. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/ S 4, " The Deportation of Palestinians and other Israeli Practices among them the Massive Immigration and Settlement of Jews in All Occupied Territories in Violation of International Law Particularly the Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949", for consideration.
- 11. The **Leader of Delegation of the Republic of Indonesia** while referring to operative paragraph 4 wanted to know the rationale for using the words "Should comply".
- 12. **Mr. Watanabe, Deputy Secretary General** clarified that the words in operative paragraph 4 were exactly what the UN General Assembly has adopted. He read out "Demanded, that Israel, comply with its legal obligations as mentioned in the Advisory opinion rendered by the International Court of Justice in the case concerning..." so it is just technical mistake.
- 13. The resolution, as amended, was adopted.
- 14. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/S 7, " **Jurisdictional Immunities of States and Their Property"**, for consideration. As there were no comments the resolution was unanimously adopted.
- 15. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/S 8, "International Terrorism", for consideration.
- 16. The Leader of Delegation of Malaysia proposed to include for an Expert Group Meeting and stated that he would hand over the exact proposal to Dr. Deihim, Deputy Secretary General and Cochairman of the Drafting Committee. For the benefit of the other delegations he said it is a simple proposal to have an Expert Group Meeting to

draft a comprehensive and acceptable definition on "Terrorism".

- 17. The resolution, as amended, was adopted.
- 18. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/S 9, " **Establishing Co-operation Against Trafficking in Women and Children**", for consideration. There being no comments the resolution was unanimously adopted.
- 19. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/S 14, "WTO as a Framework Agreement and Code of Conduct for World Trade", for consideration, there being no comments the resolution was unanimously adopted.
- 20. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/S 15, "Expressions of Folklore and its International Protection", for consideration, there being no comments the resolution was unanimously adopted.
- 21. The President then placed Resolution RES/44/S 16, " **Human Rights in Islam**" for consideration, there being no comments the resolution was unanimously adopted.
- 22. After adoption of all the resolutions on organizational and substantive matters, the next item to be considered was the **Message to the President of the Host Country**. The President invited the Secretary-General of AALCO to read out the message for the convenience of all the delegations.
- 23. **The Secretary General** read out the Message of thanks to the President of the Republic of Kenya, His Excellency Mwai Kibaki, C. G. H., M. P. and Commander-in-Chief of Armed Forces

"We, the participants in the Forty-Fourth Session of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization would like to seize this opportunity to convey our profound gratitude and appreciation to Your Excellency and through you to your esteemed Government and the people of Kenya for hosting the Forty-Fourth Session of AALCO in this beautiful city of Nairobi.

We express our deepest gratitude and profound regards to Your Excellency for taking time of your extremely busy schedule and giving us the privilege of your gracious presence. The inauguration of the Forty-Fourth Session by Your Excellency, well recognized in international affairs as the voice of Africa, demonstrates the importance which Kenya and the continent of Africa attaches to Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization. Your inspirational address had set the tone for our fruitful deliberations during the course of five-days and we all stand indebted to Your Excellency.

Your Excellency would be pleased to learn that this Session was marked by a spirit of constructive dialogue and co-operation amongst attending delegations, thus enabling us to take crucial decisions on the substantive as well as organizational matters. Although many factors contributed to the success of the conference, yet it would not be an exaggeration that the excellent rendition of the conference services contributed significantly towards the achievement of our mission.

In addition to successful accomplishment of the agenda of the Conference, the Session also provided a valuable opportunity for the participants from the far-flung places of the two continents to experience and relish the rich pluralistic traditions and unique cultural heritage of Kenya. We are pleased to state, Your Excellency, the legendary hospitality and great efficiency of the people of Nairobi in hosting international conferences, has been proven yet again.

The rigors of the strenuous weeklong Session were mitigated by the hospitability of highest standards and exemplary administrative arrangements rendered to us throughout the Forty-Fourth Session of AALCO. For this gesture, we extend our felicitations and profoundly thank Your Excellency, your esteemed Government and all the committed officials for their willing and untiring co-operation. The traditional hospitality and the natural warmth and

cheerfulness of the people of Kenya have etched an indelible impression on each one of us.

I conclude this letter Excellency reiterating my deep gratitude and thanks to all your painstaking efforts to host us and to make this event a great success by all means and in every aspect. Excellency, as we leave Nairobi for our respective capitals, we carry with us very fond and cherished memories of our stay in this majestic and charming city of Nairobi. We sincerely wish Kenya's success in all its endeavours and its development, overcoming any impediment it may confront in the achievement of its national goals. May God bless you, the Government and the People of Kenya.¹

24. After approval by Acclamation of the Message of thanks to the President of the Republic of Kenya, all the documents for the session were adopted by acclamation and the President handed over the floor to the Master of Ceremonies for the next programme.

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¹ The Following Delegations suggested certain minor modifications in the message to the President, Cyprus, Ghana and the People's Republic of China, those corrections have been incorporated in the above text.