



LEGAL EXPERTS MEETING TO COMMEMORATE THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA (UNCLOS)

JOINTLY ORGANIZED BY THE ASIAN-AFRICAN LEGAL CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION (AALCO) AND THE LEGAL AND TREATIES DIVISION, THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DATE: Tuesday, 5th MARCH 2013

**VENUE: AALCO Headquarters,
29-C, Rizal Marg, Diplomatic Enclave, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi – 110 021**

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

9.00 AM – 9.30 AM:	Registration
9.30 AM – 11.00 AM:	Inaugural Session
<i>Welcome Remarks:</i>	Prof. Dr. Rahmat Mohamad Secretary-General of AALCO
<i>Introductory Remarks:</i>	Dr. Neeru Chadha Joint Secretary, L& T Division, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India
<i>Presidential Remarks:</i>	H.E. Mr. Mohammed Bello Adoke, SAN, CFR, Attorney General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, Federal Republic of Nigeria and President of the 51 st Annual Session of AALCO
<i>Address by Chief Guest</i>	Mr. Pinak Ranjan Chakravarty, Secretary (ER), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India
<i>Keynote Address:</i>	Mr. B. Sen Former Secretary-General of AALCO
<i>Inaugural Address:</i>	Mr. Stephen Mathias, Assistant Secretary-General for Legal Affairs, United Nations: 30th Anniversary of the UNCLOS: Issues and Challenges for the Future:
Group Photograph	
11.00 AM – 11.30 AM	Tea/Coffee Break

11.30 AM – 12.00 PM:

**SESSION ONE:
DISPUTE SETTLEMENT UNDER UNCLOS**

Chair:

H.E. Mr. Mohammed Bello Adoke, SAN, CFR,

H.E. Amb. Gudmundur Eiriksson
Ambassador of Iceland to India

Dispute Settlement under UNCLOS: Some Reflections

12.00 PM – 1.30 PM:

**SESSION TWO:
PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF MARINE
ENVIRONMENT; CURRENT CHALLENGES**

Dr. Moritaka Hayashi from Japan:

Sharing of Natural Resources: The Case of Biodiversity in Areas beyond National Jurisdiction

Dr Luther Rangreji,
South Asian University:

Issues for Developing Countries under the Nagoya Protocol on ABS

**Dr. Roy Lee, Permanent Observer
of AALCO to United Nations, NY**

Paper to be sent by him and circulated at the meeting

1.30 PM – 2.30 PM

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2.30 PM – 3.45 PM

**SESSION THREE
ISSUES RELATING TO PIRACY AND MARITIME SECURITY**

Chair:

Mr. Narinder Singh, Secretary-General, ISIL

Ms. Ticy Thomas
National University Singapore:

The Legal Regime of Maritime Piracy: Problems and Progresses

Dato Zulkifli Adnan,
Director General
Department of Maritime, MFA,
Malaysia:

Implementation of Relevant Provisions on Maritime Security

Dr. Sunil Agarwal

Legality of the carriage of weapons onboard ships

Mr. Rajiv Walia,
Regional Programme Coordinator
Regional Office for South Asia, UNODC

Presentation on counter-piracy

3.45 PM – 4.15 PM

SESSION FOUR: UNCLOS AND AALCO

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Rahmat Mohamad, Secretary-General

Prof. Yogesh Tyagi,
Dean and Professor,
Faculty of legal Studies, SAU

AALCO's Contribution to UNCLOS

4.15 PM – 4.30 PM

CONCLUDING SESSION
Vote of Thanks by AALCO and MEA

4.30 PM – 5.00 PM

Tea/Coffee

¹ Each Session will be followed by Q and A.