



**AALCO/52/RES/ORG 2  
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## **AALCO'S BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2014**

### ***The Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization at its Fifty-Second Session***

**Having heard** with appreciation the introductory statement of the Secretary- General on the Proposed Budget for the Year 2014 as contained in Secretariat Document No. AALCO/52/NEW DELHI (HEADQUARTERS)/2013/ORG 2;

**Taking note** of the comments of the Member States on the Proposed Budget;

**Noting further** the Proposed Budget for the year 2014 was placed before the 318<sup>th</sup> and 319<sup>th</sup> Meetings of the Liaison Officers held on 11 December 2012 and 2 April 2013 respectively, at the Headquarters, New Delhi; and adopted at the 320<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Liaison Officers held on 22 May 2013, and submitted to the Fifty-Second Annual Session for final approval;

**Considering** that the Proposed Budget for the year 2014 is a budget depending on the actual contributions to be received from Member States having financial constraints in their national budgets;

**Noting with** appreciation the part arrears paid by the Government of Iraq & Libya on the basis of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and requesting other Member States in large arrears to follow suit;

**Expressing** deep concern over the financial difficulties faced by AALCO and the need to take appropriate measures to overcome the financial crisis including the collection of arrears;

**Acknowledging** the immediate need to replenish the Reserve Fund of the Organization, with the objective of ensuring that it always has a six-month operational fund for the functioning of the Organization;

**Considering** all the above-mentioned reasons to place the Organization on a firm financial footing:

1. **Decides** the Budget for the year 2014 as approved as the Budget for the year 2013.

2. **Requests** Member States who have not paid their annual contribution for the year 2013, to do so at the earliest in order to ensure the effective functioning of the Organization.
3. **Encourages** Member States to make voluntary financial contribution in order to improve the financial situation of AALCO and to ensure that it has always a six-month operational fund.
4. **Strongly urges** Member States who are in arrears to fulfill their financial obligation and to expeditiously clear the same in accordance with the Statutes and Statutory Rules of AALCO.
5. **Mandates** the Secretary-General to explore ways and means of raising funds by additional sources in accordance with the Statutes and Statutory Rules of AALCO, and
6. **Decides** to place this item on the provisional agenda of the Fifty-Third Annual Session.