

**PROGRAMME FOR CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS
AND THE ASIAN-AFRICAN CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE
AS AGREED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION 36/38 OF 18 NOVEMBER 1981**

I. Cooperative Framework

Consultations will be routinely conducted on matters of current interest between the AALCC and the competent offices and organs of the United Nations, in particular, regarding representation at meetings and sessions and exchange of documentation and information, as also in the identification of areas where the supportive role of the AALCC might be more productive.

II. Representation at Meetings and Conference

The AALCC will continue to be represented as appropriate at various meetings and conferences held under the auspices of the United Nations and its organs and agencies. UN offices will continue to be represented at AALCC sessions as appropriate.

III. Sixth Committee Matters

- AALCC will continue to follow discussions in the Sixth Committee and developments of ILC and UNCITRAL and the Special Committee.
- Informal inter-secretariat co-operation with respect to exchange of information relating to items dealt with by the Sixth Committee, and the AALCC and with respect to identification of legal issues involved in items before the Sixth Committee.

IV. Law of the Sea Matters

- AALCC will report to its Member States on progress made in and matters relating to the Preparatory Commission.
- AALCC will discuss specific issues relating to the work of the Preparatory Commission : e.g. cost implications for Member States in the establishment of new institution under the LOS Convention.
- Inter-secretariat cooperation are matters relating to implementation of the LOS Convention, particularly in regard to national legislation on marine affairs.

V. Question of Refugees

AALCC, will consider specific issues and topics of particular interest to governments in Asia and Africa, in consultation with and co-operation with UNHCR including preparation of studies and papers on the question of refugees.

VI. Efforts Towards Strengthening the Role of the United Nations Through Rationalization of Functional Modalities

AALCC will follow up the implementation of relevant GA resolution as well as the progress on various other related proposals.

VII. Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs

AALCC will cooperate in matters relating to narcotic drugs through preparation of studies and arranging for consultations between AALCC Member States.

VIII. International economic co-operation for development

AALCC will focus attention on the question of external debt crisis by preparing studies and arranging meetings. It will also continue its efforts in respect of promoting and protecting investment, including consideration of measures compatible within the context of free trade.

IX. Zones of Peace and International Co-operation

AALCC will continue to study the proposals made before it and keep the UN Secretariat informed of progress.