MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY AND THE ASIAN-AFRICAN LEGAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The International Atomic Energy Agency (hereinafter called $_i^{\circ}$ the Agency $_i^{\pm}$) and the Asian African Legal Consultative Committee (hereinafter called $_i^{\circ}AALCC_i^{\pm}$) agree as follows :

Co-operation and consultations

1. With a view to facilitating implementation of the objectives laid down in the Statute of the Agency, which are to accelerate and enlarge the contribution of atomic energy to peace, health and prosperity throughout the world, and the objectives of the AALCC, which are to exchange views and information on matters having legal implications of common concern to its Member States and to make recommendations thereon, the Agency and the AALCC shall maintain close co-operation in respect of promoting their objectives and shall consult each other regularly on legal matters of common interest in this field.

2. Accordingly, if either the Agency or the AALCC is considering carrying out a programme or undertaking an activity aimed at promoting activities which are or could be of particular interest to the other, it shall consult the other with a view to harmonizing their efforts as far as possible and, where appropriate, to the organization of joint meetings.

Reciprocal representation at meetings

3. Appropriate steps shall be taken by agreement, to ensure the reciprocal representation of the Agency and the AALCC at meetings held under their respective auspices which are to consider legal issues of common interest, and, where appropriate, to arrange joint meetings to consider such topics.

Exchange and documentation

4. The Agency and the AALCC shall exchange publications and documents relating to legal issues of common interest, provided that measures may be taken where necessary to protect the confidential nature of certain information and documents.

5. The exchange of documentation shall, if necessary, be supplemented by regular contacts between members of the Secretariats of the Agency and the AALCC with a view to consultations relating to projects or activities of common interest. In addition, the Agency and the AALCC shall communicate to each other such information as may be appropriate concerning any special project or activity.

Mutual assistance

6. The Agency and the AALCC shall provide each other with such co-operation in respect of their work and activities as may be requested with a view to studying legal matters of common interest.

7. The Agency and the AALCC shall promote such co-operation, in particular, with a view to harmonizing their efforts, as far as possible, taking into account their respective authority and responsibilities.

Expenditure

8. If the co-operation proposed by one of the Contracting Parties to the other in accordance with this Memorandum entails specific additional expenditure, consultations shall be held between the Agency and the AALCC to determine how such additional expenditure should be financed.

Entry into force

9. This Memorandum of Understanding shall come into force upon its signature by the Director General of the Agency and the Acting Secretary General of the AALCC.

DONE in duplicate in the English language.

for the INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY for the ASIAN-AFRICAN LEGAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

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