



**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS
FOR AALCO'S FORTY-SEVENTH HEADQUARTERS SESSION
NEW DELHI, REPUBLIC OF INDIA
30TH JUNE to 4TH JULY 2008**

Venue: Le Meridien Hotel, No. 8, Windsor Place, Janpath, New Delhi-110001

Saturday, 28th June 2008

2.00 P.M. – 6.00 P.M. Registration

Sunday, 29th June 2008

10: 00 A. M. to 6: 00 P. M. Registration

7.00 P.M. onwards Meeting of Heads of Delegations and the Secretary-General of AALCO with Her Excellency Mrs. Brigitte Sylvia Mabandla, Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development, Republic of South Africa and President of the Forty-Sixth Session
(Briefing the Heads of Delegations about main events of the Session)

Dinner for the Head of Delegations hosted by Her Excellency Mrs. Brigitte Sylvia Mabandla, Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development, Republic of South Africa and President of the Forty-Sixth Session at Inspire Hall, Le Meridien Hotel,

Monday, 30th June 2008

8.00 A.M. – 9.30 A.M.

Registration contd.

10.00 A.M.- 11: 00 A. M.

Inaugural Session

- Welcome statement by H. E. Amb. Dr. Wafik Z. Kamil, Secretary-General, AALCO
- Statement by H. E. Mrs. Brigitte Sylvia Mabandla, Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development, Republic of South Africa and the President of the Forty-Sixth Session
- *Inaugural Address by H. E. Mr. Hansraj Bharadwaj, Union Minister for Law and Justice, Government of India*
- Vote of Thanks by H. E. Mr. Narinder Singh, Joint Secretary and Legal Adviser, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and the President of the Forty-Fifth Session of AALCO

11.00 A.M.- 11: 30 A. M.

Coffee/Tea Break

11.30 A. M – 11: 45 A. M.

Group Photo with H. E. Mr. Hansraj Bharadwaj, Union Minister for Law and Justice, Government of India, the Chief Guest with Heads of Delegations and other dignitaries.

11.45 A.M. – 1.00 P.M.

First Meeting of the Delegations of the AALCO Member States, with the necessity of the Participation of the Heads of Delegations

- Adoption of the Agenda and Schedule of the Meetings
- Admission of Observers
- Election of the President and Vice-President

- Report of the Secretary-General on the work of AALCO
- *AALCO's Draft Budget for the year 2009: Comments of the Secretary-General*
- Election and Appointment of the incoming **Secretary General**

1.00 P. M. – 2.30 P.M.

Lunch

2.30 P.M. – 4.00 P.M.

Second Meeting of the Delegations of the AALCO Member States with the necessity of the Participation of the Heads of Delegations

- Report concerning AALCO's Headquarters Building
- Report on AALCO's Centre for Research and Training
- Any other matter

4.00 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

Coffee/Tea Break

4.30 P.M. – 6.00 P.M.

First General Meeting

- Statement by the President of the Forty-Seventh Session
- General Statements by the Hon'ble Ministers, Heads of Delegations and Observers

7.30 P.M. onwards

Reception/Dinner by H. E. Amb. Dr. Wafik Zaher Kamil, the Secretary-General of AALCO

Tuesday, 1st June 2008

8.00 A.M. – 9.30 A.M.

Registration contd.

9.30 A.M. – 11.00 A.M.

Second General Meeting

- General Statements contd.

- 11.00 A.M. – 11.30 A.M. **Coffee/Tea Break**
- 11.30 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.
- General Statements (contd.)
 - Report on the work of International Law Commission at its 59th Session
 - Statement by the Representative of the International Law Commission
- 1.00 P.M. – 2.30 P.M. **Lunch**
- 2.30 P.M. – 6.00 P.M. **Third General Meeting**
- 2.30 P.M. to 3.15 P.M.
- Law of the Sea
 - *Statement by the Representative of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea*
- 3.15 P.M. to 3.45 P.M. **Coffee/Tea Break**
- 3.45 P.M. to 5.30 P.M.
- 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
- 7.30 P.M. onwards ***Reception/Dinner hosted by H.E. Mr. E.Ahmed, Minister of State for External Affairs, Government of India.***
- Wednesday, 2nd July 2008**
- One-day AALCO-ICRC Special Meeting on “Contemporary Issues in International Humanitarian Law”**
- 9.30 A.M. – 11.00 A.M. **Inaugural Session**
- Remarks by Amb. Dr. Wafik Zaher Kamil, Secretary-General of AALCO
 - Remarks by Mr. Vincent Nicod, Head of the Regional Delegation, ICRC, New Delhi
 - Introduction to Weapon Issues and IHL: Mr. Christopher Harland, Regional Legal Adviser for South Asia, ICRC, New Delhi

11: 00 A.M. – 11: 30 A.M.	Coffee/ Tea Break
11: 30 A. M. to 1: 00 P. M.	Cluster Munitions
Chair:	- Mr. Christopher Harland
Panelist:	- Mr. Louis Maresca, Legal Adviser, Weapons Unit, ICRC, Geneva
Topic:	Cluster Munitions, Oslo Process and the CCW Process:
Panelist:	- Film on Cluster Munitions
Topic:	- Mr. Lee Moroney, Norwegian People Aid
	- Cluster Munitions: A view from the Field
	- Comments from an AALCO Member State
	- Questions and Answers
1: 00 P. M. to 2: 30 P. M.	- Lunch Break
2: 30 P. M. to 4: 00 P. M.	- Ottawa AP Landmine Ban Convention and the 1980 CCW Convention
Chair:	- Mr. Louis Maresca
Panelist:	- Mr. Len Blazeby, Legal Adviser, Advisory Services, ICRC, Geneva
Topic:	Implementation of the Landmine Ban Convention and the CCW Convention
	- Film on Explosive Remnants of War
	- Comments on the 8 th Meeting of States Parties from an AALCO Member State
	- Questions and Answers
4:00 P. M. to 4: 30 P. M.	- Coffee / Tea Break
4:30 P. M. to 6: 00 P. M.	- Private Military and Security Companies
Chair:	Mr. Len Blazeby
Panelist:	Ms. Cordula Droege, Legal Adviser, ICRC, Geneva
Topic:	Legal Status of PMCs/ PSCs and the ICRC Guidelines
	- Comments from an AALCO Member State
	- Questions and Answers
7.30 P.M. onwards	Reception/Dinner hosted by the International Committee of the Red Cross

Thursday, 3rd July 2008

Fourth General Meeting

9.30 A.M. to 10.30 A.M.

- International Terrorism
- *Presentation by Counselor Dr. Iskandar Ghattas, Global Consultant, Terrorism Branch, UNODC, Vienna*
- *Presentation by Mr. Michel Bonnieu, Senior Legal Adviser, UNODC Regional Centre for East Asia and Pacific, Bangkok*

10.30 A.M. to 10.45 A.M.

Coffee/Tea Break

10.45 A.M. to 12.00 P.M.

- An Effective International Legal Instrument Against Corruption

12.00 P.M. to 1.00 P.M.

- Environment and Sustainable Development

1.00 P.M. to 2.30 P.M.

Lunch

Fifth General Meeting

2.30 P.M. – 6.00 P.M.

- International Criminal Court: Recent Developments
- Extraterritorial Application of National Legislation: Sanctions Imposed Against Third Parties

7.30 P. M. onwards

- *Reception / Dinner hosted by the Member State whose candidate is elected as Secretary-General*

Friday, 4th July 2008

9.00 A.M. to 11.30 A.M.

- **Third Meeting of the Delegations of AALCO Member States**
- Statements by the Directors of AALCO's Regional Arbitration Centers
- Report of the Drafting Committee
- Adoption of related documents of the Session.

11.30 A.M. to 4.30 P.M.

Sight seeing and lunch (Delegates going for Prayers at 11.30 A.M., may join later)

4.45 P.M. – 5.45 P.M.

Sixth General Meeting

- Adoption of Resolutions and Summary Report of the Session (contd.)
- Report of the Special Meeting and
- *Message of Thanks to the President of the Republic of India on behalf of the participating delegations of Member States delivered by H. E. Amb. Dr. Wafik Z. Kamil, Secretary-General of AALCO*
- **Venue of AALCO's Forty-Eighth Session**

6.00 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.

- **Concluding Session:**
Messages of the Representatives of:
- Member States
- Non-Member States
- International Organizations

7.30 P.M. Onwards

Farewell dinner by the Government of Japan at the Residence of His Excellency the Ambassador of Japan.