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Letter dated 18 September 1986 from the Permanent Representative
of the Netherlands to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour of writing to you to indicate the Netherlands support of the recommendations made on 13 June 1986 by the Working Group of the Whole of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee (AALCC) on the improvement of the functioning of the General Assembly (A/41/437, annex). In reviewing their report, I appreciated that it closely parallels the direction of a number of other reform initiatives which have come forward recently in the United Nations community.

Since the specific measures recommended by AALCC have grown out of a series of resolutions, papers and initiatives introduced over several years and reflect a wide cross-section of opinion among Member States, I would urge that the proposed measures be recommended for adoption by the General Assembly.

In the meantime, I would appreciate it if the President of the General Assembly and the Chairmen of the Main Committees and subsidiary bodies would take specific action to implement in a substantive way the recommendations contained in the AALCC report and thereby improve the functioning of the United Nations.

Such action would help to strengthen the confidence in the Organization that is essential for the effective performance of its mandate.

I should be grateful if this letter could be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under items 8 and 30 of the provisional agenda.

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