

Strengthening collaboration between DOALOS and the Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans

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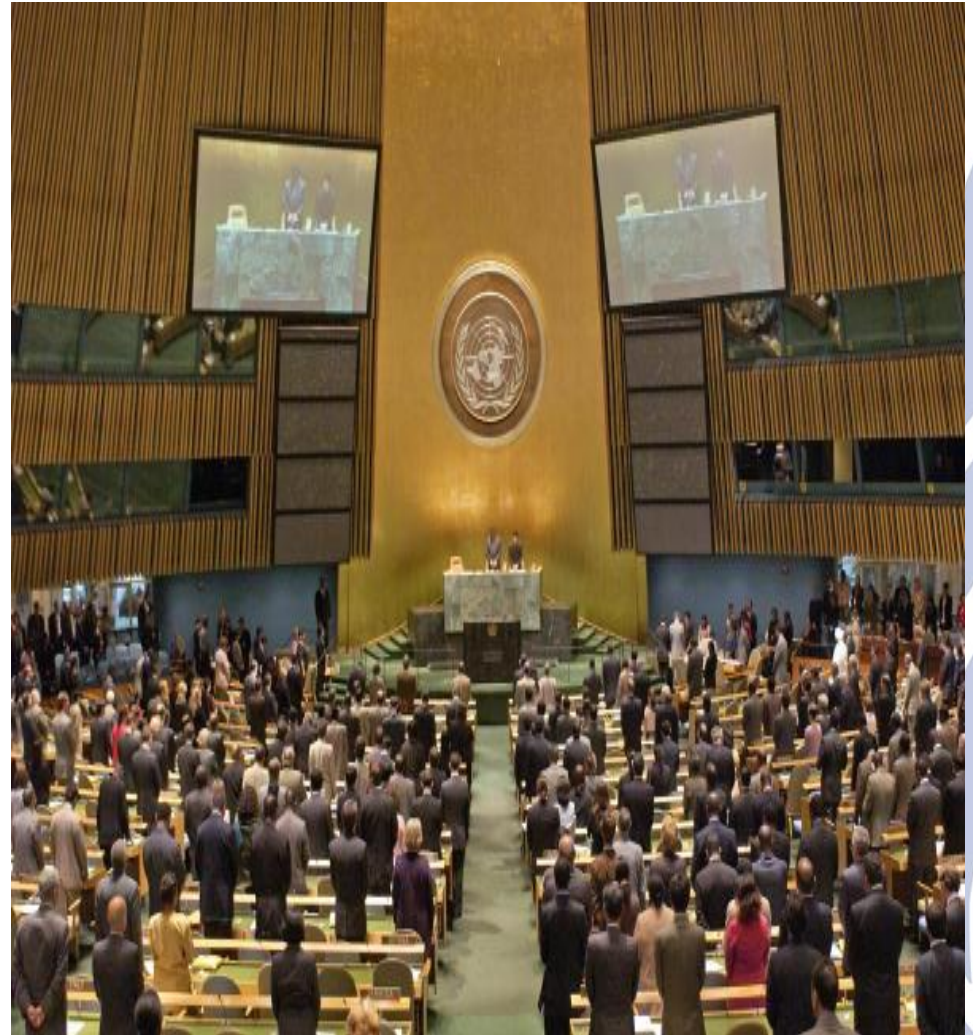
- One of the six units of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs
- De facto secretariat to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and the United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement
- Secretariat for the General Assembly processes on oceans and the law of the sea

DOALOS as Secretariat to UNCLOS

- Meeting of States Parties
- Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
- Depositary functions
 - Deposit of charts and geographic points
 - Collection of national legislation
- Provides information and advice on the uniform and consistent application of the Convention

General Assembly and oceans and the law of the sea

- In its resolution 49/28 of 6 December 1994, the General Assembly decided that it was the global institution with the competence to undertake an annual review of the overall developments relating to the law of the sea



The General Assembly and Oceans and the Law of the Sea

- Annual resolutions on oceans and the law of the sea and sustainable fisheries
- United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea (ICP)
- Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction (BBNJ)
- Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socio-economic Aspects

DOALOS as Secretariat to processes of the General Assembly

- Preparation of the reports of the Secretary-General on oceans and the law of the Sea and sustainable fisheries
- Servicing of meeting and preparation of documents
- Preparation of studies and reports
- Coordination and cooperation

Capacity-Building

- Fellowship Programmes
- Trust Funds
- Training programmes and seminars
- Training manuals
- Publications
- Technical Assistance



Cooperation with Regional Seas Conventions and Action Plans

- Input to reports of the Secretary-General
- Participation in meetings
- Cooperation in trainings on oceans and the law of the sea
- World Oceans Assessment
 - Regional Workshops
 - Input into the First Global Marine Assessment

Opportunities for strengthening cooperation

- Exchange of information and inputs into the reports of the Secretary-General
- Provision of assistance to Programmes and Action Plans on ocean affairs / law of the sea
- World Ocean Assessment
- Increased cooperation on capacity-building