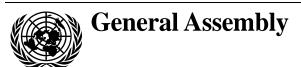
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The Asian-African Summit and Golden Jubilee of the 1955 Asian-African Conference, held in Jakarta and Bandung from 22 to 24 April 2005, represented a historic event marking the establishment of a new strategic partnership between Asia and Africa.

The Asian-African Summit resulted in the Declaration on the New Asian-African Strategic Partnership, the Joint Ministerial Statement on the New Asian-African Strategic Partnership Plan of Action and the Joint Asian-African Leaders' Statement on Tsunamis, Earthquakes and Other Natural Disasters (see annex).

The Summit also represents a significant milestone in further strengthening South-South cooperation and serves as one of the building blocks in strengthening the United Nations multilateral system.

In view of the importance of South-South cooperation and on behalf of our Governments in our capacity as co-chairs of the Asian-African Summit, we have the honour to submit herewith the outcomes of the Summit and request that the present letter and its annex be issued as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 90 (a).

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