



# **Contributions of Asian countries in the making of international law**

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## The Past

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**Negative attitudes towards international law.**

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**Dark experiences of colonialism.**

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**Being objects of international law rather than its subjects.**

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**Unequal treaties, such as FCNs, Treaties of Comity and Commerce, and Boundary Agreements.**

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**Limited participation in multilateral forums.**

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**The influence of Western scholars on the development of international law.**



# The Present

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**New developments after World War II, such as the Bandung Conference.**

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**Increased role in the development of international law across various forums.**

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**Challenges include vast coverage, diversity, and lack of resources.**

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**Positive examples include the law of the sea, international trade law, international investment law and free trade areas.**

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**The UN's recent achievements in the development of international law.**

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**Contributions of Asian countries to the UN system**



## The Future

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**Continuously increasing representation in multilateral negotiations.**

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**Enhancing regional cooperation to formulate common positions (e.g., ASEAN, AALCO,).**

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**Expanding participation in international law-making organizations and organs (e.g., WTO, ILC, ICJ).**

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**Encouraging international law-making organs to produce more legal instruments.**

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**Contributing more practices to ILC works in progress.**

**Thank you**

