

aliran speaks:

Aliran laud
Rithauddeen
stand on
Asean aims

FIGHT CORRUPTION

Procedure

STATEMENT OF ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

Aliran aims to
promote unity
among people

ALIRAN: WE HAVE NOTHING TO HIDE

for 2/12/80

PENANG, Mon. — Aliran, a political action group, denied today that it is a "Projector" does not discuss the Hukunegara or universal ethical values at

The so-called Aliran had Rukunegara

income from anyone. "Aliran is determined to work in the areas of truth and justice. It expects others to respond with honesty and integrity."

Aliran's executive committee, in its statement today, said the group's

the Hukunegara.

Very few other groups had organized so many forums and seminars around themes derived from the Rukunegara, it said.

"Our records speak for themselves," the committee said.

It said the weekend its November 1979 to bring a sense of values in the quest for a new

the Rukunegara embodied moral ethical values, free-

and amend-

Aliran: Our
book
is about
concern
of loyalty

BASIC BELIEFS OF ALIRAN

"Neither is there
alibi: in Aliran,
the acceptance
basic beliefs
only"

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From the themes dealt with herein, the reader can judge what Aliran's concern and commitment has been in the contemporary scene. The book truly speaks for itself.

We have to thank all the groups and organizations which have invited our members to take part in talks, forums and