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### MESSAGE

I wish to convey my warmest congratulations and appreciation to the organizers of the 8<sup>th</sup> International Celebration on the Occasion of the United Nations Day of Vesak 2011/2554. This grand celebration is again being generously hosted by the Royal Thai Government and organized by the Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University (MCU) with the blessings of the Thai Supreme Sangha Council and the support of the International Council of the United Nations Day of Vesak and many Buddhist organizations from different countries.

The Celebration this year is special because participants from other countries join the people of Thailand to celebrate the 84<sup>th</sup> Birthday Anniversary of His Majesty the King of Thailand. The people of Thailand are very fortunate to have a King who shows great compassion, care and concern for His people.

The Buddha's noble teachings are as relevant today as they were 2600 years ago when the Buddha started to teach after His Enlightenment. We only have to re-express the teachings in the modern context to help solve many problems faced by the world today. Let us lead a more simple life to stop the destruction of the global environment. The main theme this year on "**Buddhist Virtues in Socio-Economic Development**" is an important topic to be discussed by Buddhist leaders and scholars and other delegates.

May we meet to renew friendship and also provide mutual encouragement and inspiration to put the Buddha's Teachings into practice for a better world. May we continue to learn from the great teachers of the different Buddhist traditions.

May all beings be well and happy!

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