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Re: Congratulations to the United Nations Day of Vesak Celebrations Buddhist Conference 2011/B.E

On behalf of the Buddhist community in Uganda, Africa, I feel very honoured to write a message of congratulations to the Most Venerable Dr. Prof. Dhammakosaja, the Royal Thai Government, the Supreme Sangha Council and the Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University (MCU) of Thailand. I am deeply grateful that you are organizing the 84th Birthday Anniversary of His Majesty the King and 8th International Celebration on the Occasion of United Nations Day of Vesak 2011/2554 that will be held from May 12 to May 14, 2011 in Thailand.

It is truly delightful and inspiring to know that all Buddhist traditions are coming together in order to celebrate the Vesak Day and discuss the ways on how to work together in order to spread the sublime teachings of the Lord Buddha in the world.

Moreover, I am extremely grateful for inviting me along with our Ugandan delegation to be part of this historical event. I do hope that our participation will further promote the understanding of the Buddhism in Africa, Ugandan culture, tradition, as well as the Ugandan nation itself.

I wish great success to the United Nations Day of Vesak Celebrations, International Buddhist Conference. Long live His Majesty the King of Thailand.

May all beings be well, happy and peaceful.

Yours in the Dhamma,

Venerable Bhikkhu Buddharakkhita

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