

## **MESSAGE**

### **FROM THE SUPREME PATRIARCH COUNCIL OF VIETNAM BUDDHIST SANGHA On the UN Day of Vesak Celebrations 2011 in Bangkok, Thailand**

The Vesak Day is the most significant day for Buddhists all over the world, to commemorate the three great amazing events in the Buddha's life which occurred on the same full-moon day, *i.e.*, his Birthday, Enlightenment and Passing away. His pure teachings on peace, unity, non-violence, compassion, liberation, no-self and profit for the others, etc., are always the very lodestar of all Buddhists in cultivation for enlightenment and the freedom of mind.

Today, on the Auspicious occasion of His Majesty the King's 84<sup>th</sup> Birthday Anniversary and the 8<sup>th</sup> United Nations Day of Vesak Celebrations 2011 hosted by Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University on May 12-14, 2011 in Ayutthaya and Bangkok, Thailand, it is very wonderful opportunity for us to gather together in friendship and harmony in order to discuss and find the best effective solutions for global recovery through aspects: Buddhist ethics, education, ecology and engaged spirit, etc.; and how to develop the world peacefully? how to promote the idea of the peaceful coexistence of all human beings on the world? and how to strengthen the spirit of understanding, tolerance, unity, fraternity co-operation among Buddhists from various sects around the globe?

For this auspicious occasion, on behalf of the Supreme Patriarch Council and the Executive Council of Vietnam Buddhist Sangha as well as on my own behalf, I would like to express my deepest appreciation with goodwill message and felicitations to His Majesty the King of Thailand; His Holiness the Supreme Patriarch; United Nations office; the Organizing Committee of the UN Days of Vesak Celebrations 2011; Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University and all Thai citizens. May His Majesty the King of Thailand having a good health, long life and happiness. May all delegates and international Buddhist delegations as well as all of us for peaceful and joyful living in the Dhamma of the Lord Buddha, and may the great success of the international Buddhist Conference 2011.

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