

**SPEECH BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR, ON THE OCCASION OF UNVEILING
THE PLAQUE OF PROF. WILLIAM SENTEZA KAJUBI, SCHOOL OF
EDUCATION, MAKERERE UNIVERSITY, 20TH DECEMBER 2010**

- The Rt. Hon Prime Minister Prof. Apolo Nsibambi
- Prof. William Senteza Kajubi
- Members of Management
- Deans, Directors & Heads of Department
- Ladies and Gentlemen

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It gives me great pleasure to welcome all of you to this occasion of the unveiling of the bust, of Prof. William Senteza Kajubi, an educator, renowned scholar and a former Vice Chancellor of this great institution. Prof. Senteza Kajubi is a man who has contributed significantly to Uganda's education system and higher education in particular. His contribution has its origins as far back as the 1950s as a Secondary school teacher, before he became a University lecturer, Professor and Vice chancellor of Makerere University.

It is really important that we honor and remember the contributions of Prof. Senteza Kajubi a man who initiated reforms and restructuring of university education in Uganda in 1989 with the Kajubi commission and Report which culminated into: The Republic of Uganda, (1992) Government White Paper on the Education Policy Review Commission Report on Education for National Integration and Development.

I am particularly pleased because of a number of reasons:

- As a university we are undergoing both the academic and administrative restructuring, and remembering a person who also did the same as VC is a timely gesture.
- Prof. Senteza Kajubi was the Vice Chancellor of Makerere university twice between 1977-1979 and 1990-1993. Honoring those who've gone before

us gives us a chance to reflect on where we have come from, where we are and where we wish to be as an institution in the next ten years.

- As Makerere University, we honor and acknowledge the contributions of the leaders of this great institution. Makerere bestowed her first endowment chair upon Prof. Ali Mazrui on 11th August 2009. We have also awarded honorary doctorates for exceptional leadership, with the most recent being the award of an Honorary Doctor of Laws to H.E Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda and H.E Rashid Mfaume Kawawa (posthumous).
- Makerere University as the oldest and premier public institution of higher education in Uganda plays a vital role in supporting government educational programmes like UPE, USE and now Universal Advanced Level Education. Makerere University will continue to strategically position itself to:
 - a) Produce enough teachers to assist in the implementation of quality education in the country
 - b) Admit more students of Education, and thus produce more teachers especially science teachers so as to support the government policy on compulsory sciences at ordinary level.

I wish to thank the University Council, fellow members of Management, and staff, in particular the Dean and staff of Makerere University School of Education, for their contribution to the success of this occasion. I do pray that we follow in the footsteps of all the great men who have made Makerere University and Uganda in particular proud. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy new year "as we build for the future"