REMARKS BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR AT THE CHANCELLOR'S PRESS CONFERENCE ON THE H.E. MWAI KIBAKI PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY IN MAKERERE UNIVERSITY PROJECT, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015, 11:00 AM, COUNCIL ROOM

- The Chancellor, Professor Mondo Kagonyera;
- Members of University Management,
- Ladies and Gentlemen:

As already highlighted, the H.E. Mwai Kibaki Presidential Library in Makerere University will house:-

- (a) The H.E. Mwai Kibaki Endowed Chair in Economics and;
- (b) The East African Mwai Kibaki Center for Leadership, Public Finance and Public Policy.

Makerere University is indeed grateful to H.E. Mwai Kibaki for accepting the gesture by his *alma mater*, of bestowing on him the honor of establishing a Presidential Library in his name.

University Management fully supports this initiative as it is in line with our strategy of re-positioning and transforming Makerere University as a world-class Center of Excellence in Africa and beyond. We are particularly honoured that H.E. Mwai Kibaki will give the inaugural lecture in his name on Friday, February 13, 2015. The H.E. Mwai Kibaki Public Lecture will be an annual event going forward. We expect the annual H.E. Mwai Kibaki Public Lecture to bring on board Makerere University alumni from Uganda and the diaspora. The exploits of this event will indeed raise the profile of Makerere University and create a springboard for inclusiveness of all alumni.

The newly established Makerere University Endowment Fund, chaired by the renowned Hon. Dr. Martin J. Aliker, will oversee the implementation of the H.E. Mwai Kibaki Presidential Library in Makerere University. We are confident that through such initiatives, Makerere University is moving towards its desired position of being No. 1 on the continent.

We Build for the Future.

Thank you.

Prof. John Ddumba-Ssentamu

Vice Chancellor