EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION
TO

PROFESSOR HANS VAN GINKEL
RECTOR
UNITED NATIONS UNIVERSITY

TOKYO
25 MAY 2007
The African Diplomatic Corps (ADC), meeting in Plenary Session at the Embassy of the Republic of Angola, Tokyo, on 24th May 2007, acknowledged, with deep appreciation, the consistent support and extensive cooperation which have been extended to the Corps by Professor Hans van Ginkel throughout his tenure as Rector of the United Nations University (UNU) in Tokyo, Japan.

This support has been particularly noteworthy in respect of the organization, each year since 2000, and as a joint-project between the ADC and the UNU, of the Africa Day Symposium.

The spirit of solidarity and understanding which have been the hallmarks of Professor van Ginkel’s approach to Africa and to African developmental issues, have not only helped to raise the profile of Africa within Japan and to enhance the level of awareness and knowledge of the Continent in academic and other influential circles in Japan and abroad, but have also laid a firm basis for continuing interaction between the ADC, the UNU and all stakeholders concerned with the development of Africa.

As Professor van Ginkel now nears the end of his tenure as Rector, the ADC wishes to express its deep appreciation to him for his unstinting support, and to extend to him and to Mrs van Ginkel, warmest and most sincere good wishes for their future endeavours.

Salah B. Hannachi
Ambassador of Tunisia
Dean
African Diplomatic Corps
TOKYO — JAPAN