



**CDH Merit Awards, 2008 to
University of Malawi Students**

Remarks by

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- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Malawi, Professor Z. Kadzamira
- Principal of Chancellor College, Dr E. Fabiano
- Principal of Polytechnic, Dr. C Mataya
- Deans of Faculties
- Heads of Departments
- Deserving Students
- The Chairman, Mr. Bob Abbey, fellow directors, management and staff of CDH.
- Distinguished invited guests
- Members of the Press
- Ladies and gentlemen

It is a great honour and privilege for me to be here this morning as a Director of CDH, on behalf of the Chairman, to welcome you to the Fifth CDH Merit Award presentation ceremony.

Before I proceed, I would like to mention that this award presentation ceremony was supposed to take place sometime in September last year. But due to changes in the school calendar of the University, this was not possible and that is why we are here today to award the 12 deserving students from Chancellor College and the Polytechnic.

Ladies and gentlemen, as you may be aware, CDH has always been proud to be associated with the promotion of high education standards, particularly tertiary education. Our presence here today once again fulfills one of our most fundamental principles- an orientation towards a highly skilled and educated labour force that emerges from these institutions.

Ladies and gentlemen, it is gratifying to me as a Director of CDH, to present the CDH Merit Awards to the 2008 group of deserving students who have displayed outstanding performance in the fields of Accountancy and Economics.

We would like to recognize the hard work and success of the following students and also to celebrate their excellent achievements with them. They will each receive K100,000 in cash.

Economics 3rd Year

Mr. Enock Kondowe

Mr. Moffat Banda

Mr. Damiano Chimwala

Economics 4th Year

Ms. Mary Chimkowola – Repeat recipient

Mr. Fred Kazombo

Ms. Chimvano Thawani – Repeat recipient

Accountancy 3rd Year

Mr. Zondwayo Mafuleka

Mr. Alfred Kazembe

Mr. Samuel Amon

Accountancy 4th Year

Mr. Aubrey Mwasinga – Repeat recipient

Ms. Timanyechi Chawinga – Repeat recipient

Mr. Kamundayi Msowoya

Special mention should be made that, yet again, on this occasion we have up to four repeat recipients, (in the previous award occasion there were only two), congratulations. It is our belief that the CDH Merit Awards have over the period contributed to the hardworking spirit of young ladies and gentlemen at these two institutions, in whom the development of Malawi as a country lies.

My happiness in this regard does not stop there.

As one Ben Sweetland said, “We cannot hold a torch to light another’s path without brightening our own” hence the need to mention that one of the repeat recipients, Ms Mary Chimkowola from Chancellor College, has just joined CDH as a Trainee Economist. It is our expectation that Mary will make a valuable contribution to the company

and have a successful career with us. For your information, CDH recruited two lady students from last year's 4th year Economics class.

On behalf of the Board, Management & Staff of CDH, I would like to once again thank you all for making yourselves available to this important function and it is our hope that the relationship which the industry has with University of Malawi will continue to grow from strength to strength.

With these remarks, I would like to thank you all for your attention and once again, let me congratulate the students for their outstanding performance.

May God bless you all.

Thank you