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Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany

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Dear Ms. Kunanbayeva,

I thank you for your invitation to the ceremonial events of the 75-th anniversary of Kazakh Ablai Khan University of International Relations and World Languages.

Unfortunately I will not be in Kazakhstan during that period and thus won't be able to follow your invitation to attend the anniversary's events and make a welcome speech at the Opening Ceremony.

In the past Germany has supported your university for many years by a DAAD-Lector. Actually Mr. Minkowski, head of the DAAD Information Office at Almaty, has recently resumed offering lessons on Germany at the university.

I sincerely hope that future cooperation between our two countries will contribute to stop the decline of interest in the German language in Kazakhstan and will give it a new perspective.

By learning a foreign language students learn a lot about other people and their culture which finally permits to strengthen the ties not only on cultural but also scientific and economic levels. Therefore I would be very happy to meet you during one of my next visits to Almaty to discuss the perspective of the German language at your university and how we can foster your cooperation with German universities.

Yours faithfully

Rolf Mafael