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Mr. Governor, Mr. Mayor, Honorable President and esteemed members of the International Scientific Centre of Fertilizers, Laydies and Gentlemen, representatives of auto - visual media and distinguished guests,

On behalf of the President of the Turkish Higher Educational Council and personally I would like to say welcome to all of you. It is a great pleasure for me to be a speaker in the Ninth International Symposium of the International Scientific Centre of Fertilizers. The Organizing Committee has selected the topic "Soil Fertility and Fertilization Management - Bridge between Science, Industry and Practice" quite properly for this symposium. There is no need to explain this title any further. All of you will appreciate the importance of chemical fertilizers, but also discuss their impact on industry and agriculture.

I am very proud of the Rectors and the Faculty Members of the two newly established Universities, namely Adnan Menderes and Gaziosmanpaşa Universities who are the hosts of this International Scientific gathering. All of them worked together, and their great efforts made this congress possible. Therefore I would like to congratulate the Rector Prof. Dr. Cezmi ÖNCÜER and the Rector Prof. Dr. Mümtaz Turgut TOPBAŞ and their collaborators Prof. Dr. Akgün AYDENIZ and Prof. Dr. Abdulreşit BROHI. Like the Turkish Scientific and Technical Agency, the Turkish Educational Council will always support and promote International Scientific meetings at Turkish universities.

I hope that the newly established universities will also in the future in a highly qualified way organize symposia and scientific activities on different subjects of science and technology like Adnan Menderes and Gaziosmanpaşa Universities.

You have given us a great honor by participating in this symposium. I would like to thank you all.

Honorable Dr. Uygur TAZEBAY Acting President of the Turkish Higher Educational Council

## Message from the President of Alkim Alkali Chemical Company

Due to a health problem, I am not able to attend the symposium. I hope that the recommendations of this international and scientific meeting will be fruitful to this region. With best regards,

Cihat KORA President of Alkim Alkali Chemical Company

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