

## UNIVERSITY RECEIVES A DONATION FROM DAAD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

On 7th February, 1977 the University of Nairobi received a donation of about K.Sh. 1 million. The donation was presented to the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. J.N. Karanja by the ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany (FRG), His Excellency, Dr. Harald Heimsoeth. The donation was part of DAAD Scholarship Programme and would go towards the promotion of postgraduate studies in the department of Agricultural Economics, Animal Production, Entomology and Economics.

Dr. Niesel, the DAAD Consultant to Africa, noted that the money was sufficient for 40 postgraduate in the next two years, and that this was "the highest donation in Africa" by DAAD. This, he said, depicted the cordial relationship which prevails between the two countries. He especially commended the University of Nairobi for the useful projects to which such donations were directed. In total, he observed, there are eleven members of staff from Germany in the entire University and that another one would be joining the department of the Institute for Computer Science. Thanking the Germany Government, the Vice-Chancellor emphasised the value the institution attaches to research. He said he looked forward to expansion of such support in the future.

This, by all means, was not the first such assistance from the same donor to

the same departments. Last year another sum of KSh. 600,000 was presented to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Professor D. Odhiambo, by His Excellency the Ambassador, Dr. H. Heimsoeth. It was meant for a similar purpose and was utilised for the same reasons for which it was donated.

The ceremony, which took place at the residence of the Ambassador, was attended by, among others, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Professor D. Odhiambo, the Chairman of the Economics department, Professor J.K. Maitha, the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Professor R.S. Musangi, and a member of the Department of Food Science and Technology, Professor E.T. Gibbons. Also present were the postgraduate students from these departments who would be the direct beneficiary of this generous donation.



The Vice-Chancellor, Dr. J.N. Karanja, examines the cheque after it had been handed to him by the German Ambassador, H.E. Dr. R. Heimsoeth (left). Looking on is Dr. Niesel (Right), the DAAD African Consultant to Africa.



The Vice-Chancellor chats with the FRG Ambassador to Kenya, H.E. Dr. R. Heimsoeth (left), and Dr. Niezel (middle).