



**Lord Slynn of Hadley
1930-2009**

Lord Slynn had been connected with Buckingham for some considerable time and his wife taught French here for many years. He was the Chairman of our Advisory Board for the *Denning Law Journal* and was awarded an Honorary Degree in 1982. Lord Slynn was a champion of human rights and liberty. He led the legal campaign for the Iranian Resistance which eventually led to the removal of the People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran (PMOI / MEK) from the British and EU blacklists. The *Denning Law Journal* in 2008 published an article on proscription orders by the Chair of the Bar Human Rights Group in which Lord Slynn's contribution was noted in some detail. He was a staunch believer that the law should not intervene in matters of morality and thus dissented in the House of Lords in the case of *Brown*, a case of considerable interest to students of criminal law as it raised the issue of whether consent could be a defence to assault in the course of sexual matters. Lord Slynn generously hosted the relaunch of the *Denning Law Journal* in 2006 at the House of Lords. He was a man of great warmth and charm and was greatly loved by his wife, Odile, and all his family and friends.

Lord Slynn is pictured with the Editor of the *Denning Law Journal*, Susan Edwards and the publisher, Christopher Woodhead at the party to celebrate the re-launch of the journal at the House of Lords in February 2007