Statement by Bilal Hmoud\ Jordanian Delegation On Industrial Development

<u>CSD - 15</u> <u>May 1st 2007</u>

Mr. Chairman Distinguished Delegates

Good Afternoon

Jordan aligns itself with the statement delivered by the distinguished delegate of Pakistan on behalf of the G77 and china.

We should emphasize that industrial development is necessary for economic growth & for poverty reduction & sustainable development; focusing on the laborintensive industries which create large number of job opportunities; also special attention should be given to start – ups and entrepreneurship.

Jordan feels that more support (both technical & financial) should be provided by the developed nations to the developing nations thus enabling them to adopt cleaner production systems& technologies, having said that special attention should be given to unido's cleaner production scheme.

More access to finance should be addressed to enable industries especially SME'S adopt latest technologies for the sake of their competitiveness& to be environmentally sound.

Incentives should be directed to industries which are in line with human rights best practices, gender equality, corporate social responsibility& environmentally friendly.

Academia- Industry linkages should be fostered, not only on the national level but also on the regional& international levels.

Special attention should be given to the rising cost of energy thus helping industries in adopting energy efficiency schemes& clean energy alternatives.

Thank You Mr. Chairman