

Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Industry and Investment, the Jamaica Productivity Centre of JAMPRO and the Jamaica Manufacturers Association.

This **Memorandum of Understanding** is made the 28th day of April 1999 between **The Ministry of Industry and Investment** (hereinafter referred as MII) of the first part, **Jamaica Productivity Centre – JAMPRO** of the second part, **and Jamaica Manufacturers Association** (hereinafter referred to as JMA) of the third part.

WHEREAS:

1. The Government of Jamaica in its National Industrial Policy Document stated "Government, private sector and workers must work together in active partnership, identify and pursue strategies for economic growth through international competitiveness".
2. The activities of the MII, the Jamaica Productivity Centre – JAMPRO and the JMA are recognized as vital to the growth and development of the manufacturing sector.
3. There is urgent need for a coordinated, collaborative and rationalized approach to dealing with the various issues affecting the sector.

NOW THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING states as follows:

1. MII, the Jamaica Productivity Centre – JAMPRO and the JMA will collaborate in the design and development of technical assistance programmes relevant to the needs of the members of the JMA.
2. JMA and the Jamaica Productivity Centre – JAMPRO will collaborate to provide the MII with guidelines on policies relevant to the sector.
3. A committee comprising representatives of MII, the Jamaica Productivity Centre – JAMPRO and the JMA will meet fortnightly to:

Review the Technical Assistance provided to JMA member companies by the Jamaica Productivity Centre – JAMPRO.

Examine the sub-sectors in the manufacturing sector with a view to identifying the problems being experienced. Where these cannot be resolved internally by the Industry Division of MII they will be referred to appropriate Agencies/Departments of Government for technical assessment and resolution.

Ensure a continuous sharing of information, and strengthen the collaborative process.

4. This Memorandum of Understanding shall not constitute an enforceable contract as between the parties.

SIGNED for and on behalf of)

MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY & INVESTMENT)

By Hon. Minister Paul Robertson) _____

Minister of Industry & Investment

In the presence of:)

Mr. E. Courtenay Rattray) _____

SIGNED for and on behalf of)

JAMAICA PROMOTIONS

CORPORATION (JAMPRO))

By Mrs. Patricia Francis) _____

President

In the presence of:)

Mrs. Valerie Veira) _____

SIGNED for and on behalf of)

JAMAICA MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

By Mr. Sameer Younis) _____

President

In the presence of:)

Mrs. Velma Sharpe) _____