- 1.-The fact that there are 6 candidate-countries for the post of External Auditor demonstrates the keen interest of member states in this important function. Germany as the second biggest donor of UNIDO is one of them. Our candidature underlines our commitment to UNIDO as the only UN organization focused on industrial development in developing and emerging countries.
- 2. We would like to thank our competitors and friends from Ghana, Hungary, Norway, Sierra Leone and Ukraine for the fair election campaign. You, the member states, can take now a decision after and on the basis of a transparent and open procedure.
- 3. Let me give you four strong selling points of the German candidate, Professor Dr. Dieter Engels, President of the Federal Supreme Audit Institution:

Point one: The German SAI is an internationally experienced auditor: it has audited in the past and is auditing now successfully UN and international organizations

Point two: auditors of the German Supreme Audit Institution are familiar with UN organizations in Vienna, because they have audited in the past IAEA and UNIDO; this means they know the interrelationship and interplay, but also the problems of cooperation and coordination between those organizations, located in Vienna

Point three: They will not only audit activities of the UNIDO-headquarter in Vienna, but also field offices, an important part of the work and functioning of UNIDO

Point four: The German Supreme Audit Institution offers a good price -- member states will get an excellent money paid – performance delivered ratio.

4. In the last six months Member states have made great strides in giving a strong boost to UNIDO:

member states have chosen a new Director General, Mr. Li Yong who apparently was able to stop the tendency of states to leave UNIDO

on the basis of a draft of the new DG and the UNIDO secretariat, the host country of this General Conference, Peru, and the member states were able to reach consensus on the Lima declaration, which gives a vision and a charter for the future of UNIDO by introducing the concept of inclusive and sustainable industrial development

member states can take a further step into the direction of sharpening the focus UNIDO and in promoting its effective functioning by voting for a strong and experienced external auditor.

You can choose between six candidates: Professor Dr. Dieter Engels of the German Supreme Audit Institution certainly would be an excellent choice. If you want to support our candidature, put Engels on your ballot. By the way, the English translation of Engels is "angels".