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Madam President,  
Director General of UNIDO,  
Excellencies,  
Distinguished Members,  
Ladies and Gentlemen,

First of all, I would like to congratulate Your Excellency Madam Gladys Triveno, Minister of Production of Peru, on your election as President of the 15<sup>th</sup> General Conference of UNIDO and also take this opportunity to congratulate His Excellency Mr. Li Yong for his appointment as Director General of UNIDO in June of this year. I am confident that the capable leadership of both Excellencies will bring productive and successful outcomes which would lend support to the global community's efforts for industrial development, by exploring important issues linked to the theme of the General Conference. Indeed, it is my great pleasure to participate in this meaningful conference hosted by the Government of Peru to allow us to review the progress and achievement made by UNIDO and to work together to establish effective strategies for inclusive and sustainable industrial development with the cooperation of the member states and relevant international organizations.

At the outset, I must highlight that UNIDO's unyielding endeavor has certainly contributed to poverty reduction both in the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and at the same time, middle-income countries and the improvement of people's livelihood in numerous developing nations. We deeply appreciate UNIDO's commitment to achieving sustainable development by stimulating public-private partnership (PPP) and technological cooperation in an environmentally-friendly way, which were points suggested in the 2011 and 2012 Annual Reports.

Madam President,

I believe that many developing countries may find the Republic of Korea's past experiences of rising from poverty and rapid economic growth useful for their own development. It would be more informative to UNIDO because Korea is the most representative case of success based on a government-led industrial development with the cooperation of industrial partners such as private companies. Despite scarce natural resources, Korea has been able to achieve remarkable economic growth through industrial development and technological innovation, turning its socioeconomic challenges into opportunities for growth. The opportunities that Korea utilized were mainly used to accelerate the pace of technological advancement, promote continuous economic growth, and focus on rural residents by increasing the productive capacity of rural communities in a greater number of strategic fields. In this regard, I believe that the priority of UNIDO should be placed on an economically transformative agenda that promotes developing countries' sustainable and inclusive growth underpinned by human-resource development, technological progress, and innovation.

As the background paper of UNIDO for LDC Ministerial Conference rightly mentioned, in order to address the issues of extreme poverty around the globe, it is of critical importance to build the productive capacity of LDCs so as to facilitate their structural transformation, social and human development, and environmentally sustainable technological advancement along with their development partners. Therefore, I hope that the commitment of UNIDO will serve as a guiding light for the global community to implement and invest in the inclusive and sustainable industrial development issues of the Post-2015 agenda.

The Republic of Korea regards the Post-2015 Development Agenda as a paradigm to realize inclusive and sustainable development which is in harmony with extended partnerships among various stakeholders and efficient environmental policies. The Korean Government has made efforts to join the global community's efforts in achieving inclusive and environmentally sustainable industrial development, for example, by establishing the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) and hosting the Secretariat of the Green Climate Fund (GCF). I hope and believe that the feasible green policies to be formulated by the Korean government together with relevant organizations will be of substantive support to developing countries which are trying to incorporate green and sustainable elements into their national policy priorities.

The Korean Government is also actively engaging in global partnership activities through, for instance, hosting the Busan High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness in 2011

which successfully derived the Busan Global Partnership, a partnership of development cooperation on a global level. In line with the Busan Global Partnership that Korea has carried out, the Korean Government would like to actively engage in UNIDO's partnership activities in the field of development. As evidence of its strong support for UNIDO's partnership activities, the Korean Government is now implementing two projects with UNIDO in Cambodia named 'Transfer of Environmentally Sound Technology' and 'Creating Employment Opportunities and Ensuring Effective e-Waste Management.' I believe that these projects will set a good example of eco-friendly technological support for developing countries as well as Public Private Partnership for industrial development.

Madam President and Honorable Delegates,

The Republic of Korea has achieved remarkable economic growth and industrial development over the past several decades making the country an exemplary recipient-turned donor, and has been indebted to the global community's active support and cooperation. That's why the Korean Government pays special attention to and has sincere interest in poverty eradication and economic growth of developing nations. Korea is ready to collaborate with UNIDO by sharing its development experiences in the field of industrial policy - in particular, industrial development experiences - and at the same time by utilizing the platform that UNIDO has established, called the UNIDO Operational Strategy, as one of the main channels of providing Korean development cooperation to the developing world.

Once again, I would like to reaffirm that the Republic of Korea will continue to participate in UNIDO's partnership activities and provide support for the Organization's noble efforts towards inclusive and sustainable industrial development incarnated in the Lima Declaration adopted here in this conference. Korea also looks forward to working together with the global community for eradication of extreme poverty by sharing its experiences in industrial development with the sincere intention of collaborating with many developing countries as well as UNIDO.

Lastly, the Korean delegation, together with the Korean Government, would like to express its genuine appreciation to the Government of Peru for its well-organized preparation and warm hospitality as well as the UNIDO Secretariat for its dedicated work for the great success of the 15<sup>th</sup> of General Conference held here in the beautiful city of Lima.

Thank you. /END/