TITLE II ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION

ARTICLE 30 Objective

- 1. The Parties will exert all necessary efforts to develop Economic, Scientific, Technical and Commercial Co-operation between the two Sides.
- 2. The Parties will promote and facilitate continuously the enhancement and diversification of trade exchanges and economic and technical co-operation between their economic establishments, enterprises, organisations and institutions within the framework of their respective rules and regulations as well as their international obligations.
- 3. Turkey shall give priority for providing Jordan with technical assistance in the primary fields of economic co-operation referred to in Article 33.
- 4. The Parties will encourage operations designed to develop co-operation among the countries of the region and particularly the ones taking part within the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership.

ARTICLE 31 Scope

- 1. Co-operation and technical assistance shall;
 - a) focus primarily on infant industries, sectors suffering from internal difficulties or affected by the overall process of the liberalisation of trade between Turkey and Jordan.
 - b) focus on areas likely to bring the economies of the Parties closer together.
 - c) focus on capacity building and training programs, which would assist in creating the necessary institutions and human resources for implementation of this Agreement with Jordan.
 - d) encourage the implementation of measures designed to develop intraregional co-operation.
 - e) support joint-ventures, twinning initiatives and joint investments amongst the private sector institutions.

- f) support joint marketing and promotion of the Parties' products and services in both countries' markets and third countries' markets.
- 2. The Parties agree to extend economic co-operation to other areas not covered by the provisions of this Chapter such as and not inclusive to irrigation, transportation, communications, higher education, tourism, banking and finance, public works, shipping, shipbuilding, development and planning, engineering, consultancy, contracting works and other possible economic transactions.

ARTICLE 32 Methods and Modalities

- 1. The Agreements concluded between the Parties in the fields of the economic, commercial, technical and scientific co-operation shall be implemented without prejudice to the provisions of this Agreement.
- 2. The Parties shall further determine the methods and modalities for economic cooperation and technical assistance; in particular within the work of the Association Council referred to in Article 40. In this regard, the Association Council may decide to establish sub-committees.
- 3. Economic co-operation and technical assistance shall be implemented in particular by:
 - a) regular exchange of information and ideas in every sector of co-operation including meetings of officials and experts;
 - b) encouragement of reciprocal participation in fairs and exhibitions;
 - c) transfer of advice, expertise and training;
 - d) implementation of joint actions such as seminars and workshops;
 - e) technical, administrative and regulatory assistance;
 - f) encouragement and establishment of joint ventures;
 - g) dissemination of information on co-operation;
 - h) exchange of information in economic, scientific and technical field;
 - i) granting scholarships in various fields of technical and scientific cooperation;
 - j) transfer of technology and know-how in specific industries to be determined by the parties within the context of Joint Committee;

- k) supporting the establishment of joint marketing companies targeting both countries' markets as well as the markets of third countries.
- 4. Projects relating to economic, scientific and technical cooperation applications shall be arranged by individual programs, agreements and contracts which will be concluded between the participating companies and establishments of the Parties in accordance with their respective legislation in force.
- 5. The matters relating to the providing of expert, advisor and other technical persons by the Parties shall be arranged by individual protocols to be concluded between the competent authorities of the Parties.

ARTICLE 33 Primary Fields of Economic Co-operation

The co-operation under the scope of this Agreement shall primarily involve the following fields referred in detail between Articles 34 to 38 of the Agreement:

- a) Industry;
- b) Agriculture;
- c) Services;
- d) Transportation;
- e) Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs);
- f) Trade development including business cooperation.

ARTICLE 34 Industrial Co-operation

The main aim of industrial co-operation will be to support Jordan, in its efforts to modernize and diversify industry and, in particular, to create an environment favourable to private sector and industrial development by enhancing co-operation between the two Parties' economic operators.

ARTICLE 35 Co-operation in Agriculture

Taking into account the importance of co-operation in agriculture towards the enhancement of bilateral relations, the Parties agreed to cooperate in, *inter alia*, the following fields:

- a) exchange of scientific and technical information and expertise relating to agriculture, forestry, water resources and rural development;
- b) reciprocal exchange of experts;
- c) organization of training, seminars, conferences and meetings, in either of both countries;
- d) establishment of direct joint activities between the respective institutions;
- e) encouragement of investment and trade on agricultural production, processing and marketing in both countries and in other markets,
- f) transfer of technology and know-how in agro industry.

ARTICLE 36 Co-operation in Services

- 1. The Parties to this Agreement recognize the growing importance of trade in services. In their efforts to gradually develop and broaden their co-operation, in particular in the context of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership, they will cooperate with the aim of further promoting investments and achieving a progressive liberalization and mutual opening of their markets for trade in services, taking into account relevant provisions of the WTO-General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) and the services ongoing negotiations under the auspices of the WTO.
- 2. The Parties will discuss the means of co-operation in the area of services at the Association Council.

ARTICLE 37 Co-operation in Transport

- 1. The Parties shall promote co-operation between enterprises, organizations and authorities, operating in the fields of land, maritime and aviation transport.
- 2. The Parties shall take the necessary measures to facilitate procedures in the field of transportation for the purposes of enhancing bilateral trade.

ARTICLE 38 Co-operation between SMEs

- 1. With the view to further enhance trade and economic activities, the Parties shall give priority to promoting business and investment opportunities as well as joint ventures between SMEs of the two countries. Within this context, the Parties will, *inter alia*;
 - a) exchange expertise on entrepreneurship, management, research and management centers, quality and production standards;
 - b) provide market information to create investment opportunities;
 - c) furnish published documents concerning SMEs.
- 2. Turkey shall support Jordan's efforts towards capacity building for the related private sector institutions.

ARTICLE 39 Trade Development

Trade co-operation shall primarily focus on:

- a) developing, diversifying and increasing trade between them and improving the Parties' competitiveness on domestic, regional and international markets;
- b) the updating of Jordanian laboratories, leading eventually to the conclusion of mutual recognition agreements for conformity assessments;
- c) enhancing co-operation in customs and origin matters including vocational training in the customs field;
- d) ensuring technical support for intellectual, industrial and commercial property in Jordan; including the implementation of international IPR Agreements, such as the PCT (Patent Cooperation Agreement) and Madrid Protocol, and exchanging information and expertise for the reinforcement of national organizations involved in enforcement and protection against counterfeiting and piracy;
- e) enhancing cooperation to improve education and training, including vocational training;
- f) drawing up appropriate trade development strategies and creation of a trade environment supportive of competitiveness;

- g) capacity building and development of human resources and professional skills in the field of trade and support services in both the public and private sector;
- h) exchange of information on market requirements know-how and technology transfer through investments and joint-ventures;
- i) establishment, adaptation and strengthening of organizations concerned with the development of trade and support services;
- j) regional co-operation for the development of trade and trade-related infrastructure and services in third countries;
- k) enhancing cooperation between business associations in both countries.