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PRESS RELEASE

The Private Sector Organization of Jamaica (PSOJ) will host its sixth Job Creation Award Ceremony on **Tuesday, July 23, 2002 at the Terra Nova All Suite Hotel, beginning at 7.45 a.m.** These awards are sponsored by Cable and Wireless Jamaica Ltd.

Companies whose new investment have created a minimum of twenty-five (25) new employment opportunities within the last six months are recognized at this event. Beginning this month, the PSOJ and Cable & Wireless will present awards to entrepreneurs/small business companies who have made new investments and created a minimum of five additional jobs during the past six months. The Small Business Association of Jamaica has been asked to collaborate with the PSOJ in selecting a monthly awardee from this sector.

Four companies will be awarded at this month's breakfast awards ceremony, to which members of the business community have been invited. They are Ashman Foods Ltd., Juci Beef Patties and the small business awardee - Apco Corporation Ltd.

A recent caller to the PSOJ July 11 Phone-In session, made the point, "Jobs need to be created, especially to take the youth off the streets and provide a steady source of income". These four companies have responded by investing in their companies and creating employment opportunities.

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The PSOJ invites the public to make nominations for this Award. Nominations may be made by contacting the PSOJ at Tel: 978-6795-6, 927-6238, fax: 927-5137 or by e-mail at psoj@cwjamaica.com. The PSOJ, however, reserves the right to make the final selection for the awards through a PSOJ nominated selection committee.

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