

THE PREMONSTRATENSIAN FATHERS

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REV. ROBERT K. FINNEGAN
Secretary-Treasurer
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November 29, 1982

Mr. J. P. Sticht
Chairman of the Board
R. J. Reynolds Industries, Inc.
Reynolds Boulevard
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27102

Dear Mr. Sticht:

The Premonstratensian Fathers continue to be concerned about our company's policies regarding tobacco sales to Third World countries. We feel that this is a significant issue that ought to be addressed by the Board of Directors.

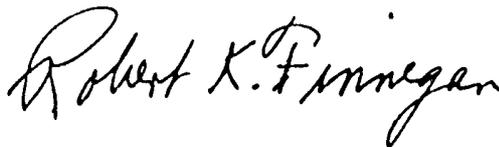
The Premonstratensian Fathers own 2,500 shares of R. J. Reynolds Industries, Inc. common stock held in the name of a nominee. We would be pleased to provide verification of ownership if you should wish.

I am hereby authorized to notify you of our intention to present the attached proposal for consideration and action by the shareholders at the next annual meeting of shareholders, and I hereby submit it for inclusion in the proxy statement in accordance with Rule 14 a-8 of the General Rules and Regulations of the Securities & Exchange Act of 1934.

If you should, for any reason, desire to oppose the adoption of this proposal by the shareholders at the annual meeting, please be good enough to include in the Corporation's proxy material the attached statement of security holder submitted in support of the proposal as required by the aforementioned Rules and Regulations.

I ask that you give our proposal serious consideration.

Sincerely,



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