

Dear Ms. Shalala:

As Secretary of Health and Human Services, you know well the scope of the global tobacco epidemic. I urge you to ensure the development of a strong Framework Convention that will save millions of lives. I expect that the US is leading the way on these key points: 19 P2 54

- Global elimination of all tobacco advertising and promotion that appeals to children and young people;
- A tough, enforceable treaty with specific obligations on and timelines for compliance by the US, other nations, and tobacco corporations; and
- Preventing antidemocratic meddling in the public health policy process by transnational tobacco corporations led by US-based Philip Morris.

I will ensure that my fellow citizens and elected representatives understand these key points. What are you doing to guarantee that these key points are prominent in the Framework Convention?

Sincerely,

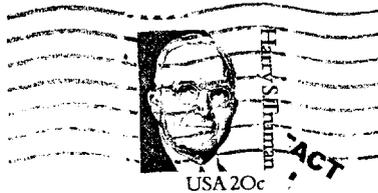
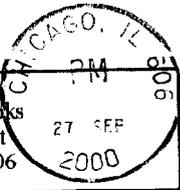
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