



**BIG TOBACCO'S
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<http://www.globalink.org/gtm/sfffc>

Tobacco BBS (useful news and resources on tobacco):
<http://www.tobacco.org>

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The San Francisco Tobacco Free Coalition, a grassroots coalition of health, youth-serving, and environmental agencies has successfully advocated for several tobacco control ordinances in San Francisco. However the Coalition has become acutely aware that while many regulations have been enacted in the U.S. on the local, state, and national level, the U.S. tobacco industry has shifted its focus to international markets to ensure its growth and profits. Given the behavior of the tobacco industry both here and abroad, the Coalition believes that the United States has a moral obligation to require that the U.S. tobacco companies adhere, at a minimum, to the same legal and regulatory standards internationally as they do domestically. The Coalition has developed a Global Tobacco Control Policy Framework which identified actions to take on a local level to address the global impact of tobacco.