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COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY

A Delaware Corporation

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Mr. Jonathan G. Katz Secretary Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20549

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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Dear Mr. Katz:

Please find enclosed in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission's (the "Commission") Order No. 4-460 (the "Order") original executed sworn statements of each of the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of Colgate-Palmolive Company (the "Company"). The sworn statements are in the form prescribed by the Commission in the Order, and certify certain of the Company's recent filings with the Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed sworn statements, please do not hesitate to telephone me at (212) 310-2239.

Very truly yours,

Andrew D. Hendry

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STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS

- I, Stephen C. Patrick, state and attest that:
 - (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Colgate-Palmolive Company, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report;
 - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
 - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
 - (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.
 - (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
 - 2001 Annual Report on Form 10-K of Colgate-Palmolive Company;
 - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Colgate-Palmolive Company filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and

any amendments to any of the foregoing.

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Stephen C. Patrick August 2, 2002

State of New York

) ss.

County of New York)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

2nd day of August 2002

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

ERICA WEST
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York
No. 01WE6013990
Qualified in Suffolk County
Certificate Filed in New York County
Commission Expires Sept. 28, 20 0 (c.