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May 8, 2012

Chairwoman Mary L. Schapiro
Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F Street, N. E.
Washington, DC 20549-1090

RE: Dodd-Frank Bill, Section 1502 – Conflict Minerals
Democratic Republic of Congo

Dear Chairwoman Schapiro:

Do you have a cell phone? If you do, did you know that in all likelihood as many as 40 women were violently raped today over the minerals in your cell phone? The militants in the eastern Congo use rape as a weapon of war. As a result, Congo is the worst place in the world to be a woman. The militants have learned that if they rape the mother, it destroys the family, and if they destroy the family, they destroy the community and they can in turn take over the village and mines. I am appealing to you personally as a woman and in the power you possess as the Chairwoman of the SEC to help stop this atrocity.

I am a member of Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, North Carolina. We are the 12th largest church in the Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA) with 4,500 members. I have been a member of the Congo Team since 2004 and have traveled personally to Congo twice, and I am returning in the fall of this year. My church has had a relationship with The Presbyterian Church in Congo since 1996. Our team has around 30 active members and all have made numerous trips, we normally send two teams a year. Our team is made up of doctors, lawyers, accountants, engineers, architects, bankers, corporate executives, all who feel they have been called by God to serve His people in Congo.

One of the programs we support is a hospital that was built by The Presbyterian Women of the PCUSA in the early 1950's, The Good Shepherd

Hospital. This hospital serves over one million people in the region of the West Kasai, many times without electricity or clean water. There are very few hospitals and doctors in Congo who specialize in fistula repair (a tear between the bladder, vagina and rectum, due to either obstructed childbirth or violent rape, which causes a woman to uncontrollably leak body fluids). Good Shepherd Hospital is one those of hospitals. Members of church give money to pay for the surgery that hopefully corrects this situation and enables a woman to live a normal life.

I am aware that you have many issues to deal with, but I am asking you to take special consideration to my request to do something about this horrific violence towards women in Congo.

I have enclosed a letter addressing the specific issues we are asking the commission to consider along with the signatures of some of my fellow Congo team members. I have also enclosed over 60 postcards signed by women in my church addressed to you.

Thank you for listening.

God Bless You.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jan Stubblefield". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "J".

Jan Stubblefield

Enclosures

April 19, 2012

Chairman Mary L. Schapiro
Commissioner Luis Aguilar
Commissioner Elisse Walter
Commissioner Troy Paredes
Securities and Exchange Commission
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Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

On behalf of the Myers Park Presbyterian Church Congo Team we write to you to express our deep disappointment and concern that the final rule on conflict minerals has yet to be released but more importantly, we are concerned that the proposed rule will fail to satisfy congressional intent and our team's interests. Congress intended for this law to immediately address the urgent humanitarian situation in the eastern Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) by curbing the trade in conflict minerals. In order to effectuate the intent of the law the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) final rule must include the points below:

1. Reject an indeterminate origin category.
2. The reasonable country of origin standard should be defined.
3. Adopt OECD Due Diligence Standard

Section 1502 was prompted by the U. S. Congress' concern "that the exploitation and trade of conflict minerals originating in the DRC is helping to finance conflict characterized by extreme levels of violence in the eastern DRC..." In order for this provision to be effective in addressing an urgent humanitarian crisis, the SEC must issue strong final rules as soon as possible with robust reporting requirements.

Yours sincerely,

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