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To Whom It May Concern,

This is my submission in relation to the proposal to ban tobacco to anyone born after the year 2000.

Already I have lost 50% of my business to the big multinationals that you have allowed into my area. This proposal would be guaranteed to wipe out at least another 50% as tobacco accounts for 30% of my turnover. It's not just tobacco sales that I will lose. These people usually buy other products once they are in my store. I may as well close my doors and let the big multinationals take all the business.

Besides all this, the Tobacco Free Generation will still be allowed and will continue to smoke. Just look at Plain Packaging. It has not stopped anyone from smoking. People will just get the tobacco from other sources (Internet or other avenues).

Thanks very much for helping small business (not). We are an honest retailer, trying to sell a legal product. If you were really serious about stopping young people from smoking you would invest heavily in education so that they don't want to smoke. This will not work and Ivan Dean has even admitted it. He has said that they will still be able to obtain tobacco from other sources. This just does not make any sense. Retailers will be the only ones to suffer.

I'd like to invite you out to my store so you can see that this proposal is totally impractical and will be the slow death of my business. You're welcome any time.

Regards,

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 Managing Director



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