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COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

SEC ADVISORY RE:

MOHAPINO INTERNATIONAL TOBACCO CORPORATION

May 16, 2008

In an advertisement that appeared in the Business Mirror last February 14, 2008, **MOHAPINO INTERNATIONAL TOBACCO CORPORATION (MITC)**, represented by its president Mr. Christopher John Jacobs, a Canadian citizen, invited potential investors to invest in its tobacco business a minimum of Two Million US Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) offered an estimated annual return of 12.5%.

The public is advised that **MOHAPINO INTERNATIONAL TOBACCO CORPORATION (MITC)** is NOT a duly registered corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission and is likewise NOT licensed to solicit investments from the public, in accordance with Section 8.1 of the Securities Regulation Code (SRC). Mr. Jacobs is also NOT a licensed broker and/or dealer of securities in accordance with Section 28 of the SRC.

The public should take the necessary precautions before entering into transactions with the above-named entities.

If you have any questions on these matters, please contact the Compliance and Enforcement Department at Telephone No. 724-7650 or send an e-mail to ced@sec.gov.ph.