Participation in Business and Trade Associations

We belong to many carefully selected business and trade associations around the world. We work with these groups because they represent our industry and the larger business community in policy discussions on issues where we have a common interest or objective.

Our support to these organizations and groups complies with applicable laws and our own principles and practices, and we routinely evaluate our participation to ensure that the groups' objectives align with the long-term interests of PMI and its shareholders, and that their activities continue to reflect PMI's values and high standards of conduct. There are times when we may not agree with certain positions adopted by the organizations we support. In these instances, we may choose to withdraw our participation or support.

Advance approval is required before PMI or its affiliates become a member of, or renew a membership in, any organization that has a connection with government officials or political activity in the U.S. We also prohibit our membership dues or other contributions made in the U.S. to be used for political campaign-related activities.

PMI's Law and Compliance Department monitors, and our Corporate Audit Department audits, compliance with our internal principles and practices and our General Counsel and heads of our Compliance and Corporate Audit Departments regularly report to the Audit Committee of PMI's Board of Directors on compliance matters. We have also implemented periodic review and approval of our political and trade association expenditures by the Board's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

See below for the list of business and trade associations in which PMI held a leadership role during 2016 by serving on the Board of Directors or Executive Committee of that organization, along with the top 10 memberships paid in 2016.

Aegean Exporters Association (Turkey)	Foreign Investors Council, Economic Chamber of Macedonia
Aegean Region Chamber of Industry (Turkey)	Foreign Investors Council in Croatia
Alliance Of Australian Retailers	Foundation "Elimination of Child Labor in Tobacco Farming"
American Chamber of Commerce in Albania	Foundation Taskforce "Minimum Age Compliance Tobacco" (Netherlands)
American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia	Goya Business Chamber (Argentina)
American Chamber of Commerce in France	Human Resources Association of Ecuador
American Chamber of Commerce in Germany	Indonesian Advertisers Association (Indonesia)
American Chamber of Commerce in Indonesia	Indonesia Service Dialogue (Indonesia)
American Chamber of Commerce in Italy	International Advertisers Association (Serbia)
American Chamber of Commerce in Kosovo	International Chamber of Commerce (Georgia)
American Chamber of Commerce in Lithuania	International Trade and Investment Center
American Chamber of Commerce in Malaysia	Interstate Tobacco Industry Union (Brazil)
American Chamber of Commerce in Montenegro	Investors' Forum (Lithuania)
American Chamber of Commerce in Serbia	Kazakhstan Association of Foreign Investors' Council
American Chamber of Commerce in the Philippines	Korea Tobacco Association
American Chamber of Commerce in the Republic of Macedonia	Leningrad Region Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Russia)
American Chamber of Commerce in Taipei	National Association of Manufacturers (USA)
American-Turkish Council	National Association of Tobacco Industry (Poland)
Anti-Counterfeit Association of Argentina	National Center for APEC
Anti-counterfeit Institute (Italy)	National Foreign Trade Council (USA)
Association of Foreign Investors (Dominican Republic)	National Manufacturers Association (Turkey)
Association of Russian Corporate Media (Russia)	National Manufacturers Association of Latvia
Brand Protection Group (Brazil)	National Manufacturing Association (Ukraine)
Brazilian Tobacco Industry Association	National Tobacco Industry Association (Mexico)
British Chamber of Commerce in Germany	Philippine Tobacco Institute
Bulgarian Association of Tobacco Industry	Polish Employers Association - member of BusinessEurope (Poland)
Canadian Tobacco Manufacturers Council	Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs
Chamber of Commerce and Industry of canton Neuchâtel (Switzerland)	Slovak Association of Commerce and Tourism (Slovakia)
Chamber of Commerce and Industry of canton Vaud (Switzerland)	Slovak Associations for Branded Products (Slovakia)
Chamber of Industries and Production (Ecuador)	Spanish Tobacco Roundtable
Coalition on Tobacco Affairs (Hong Kong)	Swiss Cigarette
Community of Interests Tobacco Industry (Germany)	Thai Tobacco Trade Association
Confederation of Malaysian Tobacco Manufacturers	The Tobacco Institute of Southern Africa
Cooperation Fund "Industry and Tobacco Retail" Trade" (Netherlands)	The Union of Tobacco Industry in the state of Bahia (Brazil)
Council of the Americas	Tobacco Association (Singapore)
Digital Coding and Tracking Association (Switzerland)	Tobacco Association of West Africa
Dominican Republic Association of Exporters	Tobacco Community Alliance (Indonesia)
Dominican Republic Association of Industries	Tobacco Industry Chamber (Argentina)
Dominican Republic Cigarette Association	Tobacco Industry Union of the Municipality of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)
Economiesuisse (Switzerland)	Tobacco Institute of Japan
Ecuadorian Exporters Federation	Tobacco Institute of the Republic of China
Employers of Poland	Transatlantic Business Council
Employers' Union (Montenegro)	U.S. Chamber of Commerce
European Association for Business and Commerce	U.SRussia Business Council
European Business Association in Ukraine	U.K. Vaping Industry Association
Federation of Philippine Industries	Union de Fabricants (France)
Federation of Trade and Service (Morocco)	Union of Belgian Entrepreneurs
FEDEXPOR (Ecuador)	U.S. ASEAN Business Council
Food Chamber of Slovakia	White Cigarette Manufacturers Association (Indonesia)