

Felipe's Presentation Plan with Slides

Opening (Issue)

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Problem and list of elements

Problem

- Potential bad publicity
- Loss of sales
- Legal liability
- Ethically compromised

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Logos of companies that have faced sweatshop problem

Not Alone

• Not first company to face this

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"Nike Problem"

- Nike
 - o Bad publicity
 - o Boycotts
 - o Lost sales

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"Apple Problem"

- Apple
 - o Bad publicity
 - o No harmful effects-yet
- Others have survived, prospered

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"Solution"

Solution

- Marketing strengthened
- Liability removed
- Ethical problem solved
- Costs stay low

Slide (Road Map)

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"Trouble in China"
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- "What Should We Do about It?"
- "Why We Should Act"
- "What We Can Do"

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Sign Post ("Trouble in China")

Trouble in China

- Most of our Chinese factories provide good value and quality
- Have acceptable working conditions
- One exception

Story

My visit to Guangdong factory

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Picture of young girls

- Young girls, 12 to 16 years old
- Rooms not air conditioned
- Factory temperatures often exceed 100 degrees.
- Not allowed to look up for 8 hours, no breaks, no magnifying glasses

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Show circuit board and tiny parts girls work with

• Some employees work around melted lead and lead paint

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List of effects of lead poisoning

- Lead is toxic and workers have no protection against fumes
- Employees live next door in dormitories, no windows or running water

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Sign Post ("What Should We Do about It?")

What Should We Do about It? (Conclusion)

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"Decision Options"

Decision Options

- Take corrective action.
- Change vendors.
- Do nothing.

Conclusion

- Improve conditions
- Acknowledge being part of the problem
- Do something positive for company and vendor workforce

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List of four criteria

Conclusion based on several criteria:

- Ethics
- Marketing
- Legal liability
- Cost

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Sign Post ("Why We Should Act")

Why We Should Act (Argument)

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"Ethics"

Ethics

- Conditions violates our ethical values
- Factory uses child labor extensively
- Underage workers paid less, more docile than adults
- No effective protection against toxic vapors from lead
- Acknowledge that we are part of the problem

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"Marketing"

Marketing

• Labor abuses all over the world are frequently exposed in the media

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Photo of one of our customers

- Exposure leads to loss of customers, brand damage
- Nike, Apple: two contrasting case studies
- Do we want to make this bet with our reputation?

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"Legal Liability"

Legal Liability

- Some of the conditions violate Chinese law
- Can never know when laws will be enforced
- Enforcement or law suits can bring bad publicity

Slide "Cost"

Cost

- Can't afford to be sentimental about costs
- Recently saved up to 30% of manufacturing costs

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Low Cost of Improvements (photo of magnifying glass)

- Improvements inexpensive
- Gradually work toward better situation

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"Other Options"

Rebut Other Options

- Change vendors: premature, too disruptive
- Do nothing: ethically wrong, too risky
 - o Vulnerable to all the risks mentioned
 - o Do we want to bet the company?

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Quote from Nike executive

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Sign Post ("What We Can Do")

What We Can Do (Action)

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"Short Term Actions"

Short term

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Photos representing what we can do. Example: air conditioners

- Negotiate immediate improvements
- Start to reduce child labor

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"Long Term Actions"

Long term

- Set up code of conduct for vendors
- Begin regular auditing process
- Incorporate code into marketing

Audience participation

Ask for suggestions for inexpensive improvements.

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List of Benefits of Action

Benefits of Action

- Improved factory conditions for workers
- Avoidance of bad publicity
- Resolution of an ethical problem
- New angle for marketing

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Summary Slide

Call to Action