

Our students should not be wearing clothing made by children, or by any exploited worker paid pennies an hour and forced to work long hours under harsh sweatshop conditions.



*You can make sure that your school's uniforms, sporting goods, and merchandise are made under humane conditions* by getting your school to adopt a very simple and do-able sweat-free procurement policy.

This policy *reflects the Marianist commitment* to social justice and to the dignity of all human beings. This procurement policy will not cost your school a single cent, nor will it require creating additional bureaucracy.

#### ANNUAL COMPANY REPORTS:

This also presents no undue burden, since all companies already have Codes of Conduct and claim they are monitoring their factories. Therefore, the reports already exist. Since the reports are only required once a year, the vendor has ample time to improve factory conditions before publicly sending their report to the Marianists.

#### REMEDIATION PROCESS:

This is a constructive approach and not a complicated one. The goal is not to punish a non-complying factory by pulling work out, but rather through a collaborative effort on the part of the Marianists and the vendor to work together to gradually improve factory conditions. The goal is to *keep the work in the factory* while guaranteeing respect for human and worker rights

In Bangladesh, for example, through the Institute for Integrated Rural Development and Fr. William Christensen, the Marianists have excellent relations with many respected local human and worker rights organizations which can provide invaluable support for any factory monitoring efforts.

