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LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required to Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary US LLP			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address 1200 19th Street, N.W. City Washington State/Zip (or Country) DC 20036			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name John H. Zentay	Telephone (202) 861-6449	E-mail (optional) john.zentay@dlapiper.com	5. Senate ID # 76855-1635
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self General Cigar Holdings, Inc.			6. House ID # 32113089

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TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 2005 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-December 31)

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

10. Check if this is a Termination Report >> Termination Date _____ 11. No Lobbying

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> >> \$ <u>\$160,000.00</u> Income (nearest \$20,000)	EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were: Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> >> \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$20,000)
Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000 of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).	14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expected accounting method. See instructions for description of opt <input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions <input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b) the Internal Revenue Code <input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) c Internal Revenue Code

Signature _____ Date 8/14/2005

Name: DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary US LLP

Client Name: General Cigar Holdings, Inc.

LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code TRD (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

International trade and sanctions policies and legislation. Policies toward Cuba.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted

Check if None

**Department of Commerce
Department of Justice
Department of State
Department of the U. S. Trade Representative
Department of Treasury
Executive Office of the President
House of Representatives**

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
Boggs, Virginia R.	
Hyland, James E.	
Sanchez, Ignacio E.	

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above

Check if None

Swedish Match - interests are those of majority owner.

Signature _____

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Name: DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary US LLP

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Item	Description	Data
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Name: General Cigar Holdings, Inc.

Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

21. Client new principal place of business (if different from line 20)

City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____

22. New general description of client's business or activities

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is **no longer** expected to act as a lobbyist for the client
Hyland, James E.

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issues previously reported that **no longer** pertain

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is **no longer** affiliated with the registrant or client

FOREIGN ENTITIES

27. Add the following foreign entities

Name	Address	Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	Own

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that **no longer** owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant, or affiliated organization

Signature _____



Date 8/14/2005

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