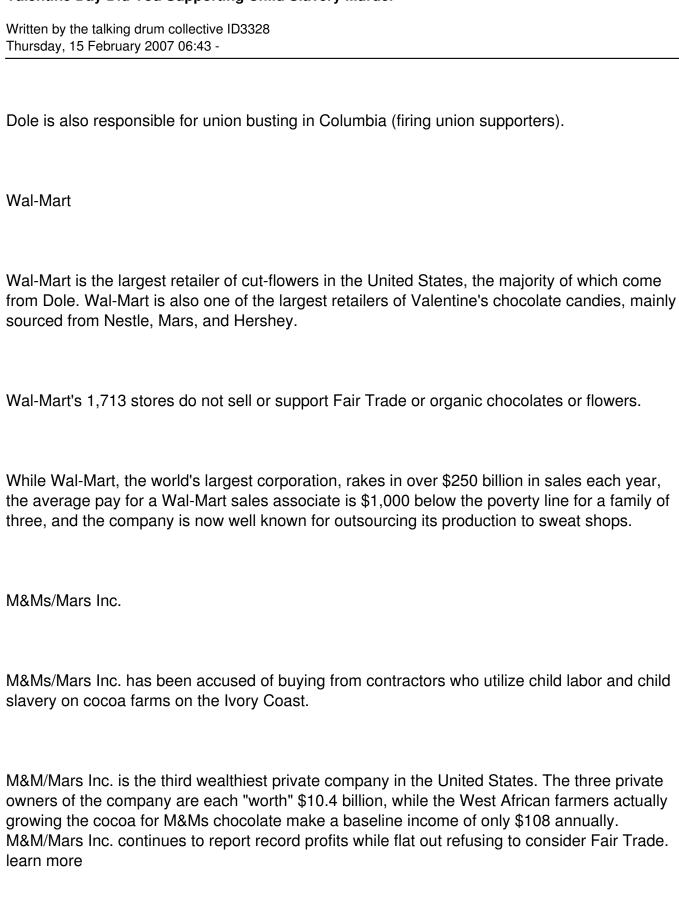
Written by the talking drum collective ID3328 Thursday, 15 February 2007 06:43 -Valentine Day: Did You Supporting Child Slavery Murder? Nestlé One-third of Nestle's chocolate is from West Africa, where over 286,000 children have been reported working in slave conditions on cocoa (chocolate) farms. Nestle promotes genetically engineered foods while claiming "the Fair Trade approach is not a solution." learn more Nestlé is the largest food manufacturer and chocolate company in the world with over \$65 billion in annual sales. Fair Trade Certification, which guarantees a modest minimum price of \$.80 per pound, would establish a "floor" or minimum price that Nestlé could easily afford to pay, thus providing a fair price to small farmers, a subsistence wage for cocoa plantation workers, and an end to the practice of child slavery. Nestle refuses to investigate the September 22, 2005 brutal assasination of Diosdado Fortuna, the leader of the Nestle union in the Philippines (the second Nestle union leader to be assasinated in this area). Dole Dole is the largest cut-flower producer in the world, the majority of which is imported from Columbia and Ecuador where low paid farmworkers are exposed to 127 different chemicals,

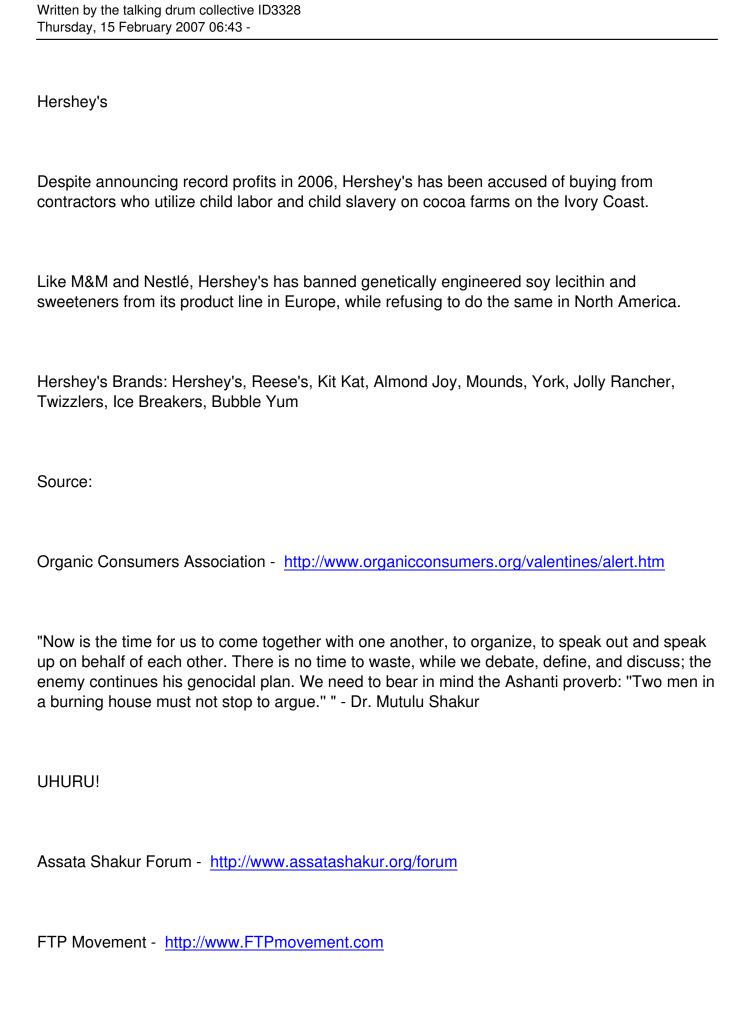
David H. Murdock, Dole's CEO, is ranked by Forbes as one of the wealthiest men in the world. If you took the amount Dole pays all of its thousands of international floral farm workers, per year, and multiplied it times 100 years, you'd still have less than the amount that Mr. Murdock is "worth" (over \$2 billion), yet he refuses to have the company invest in paying its farmers liveable wages.

including neurotoxins and carcinogens. Studies show 60% of these long-term workers have

signs of early cancer. learn more



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