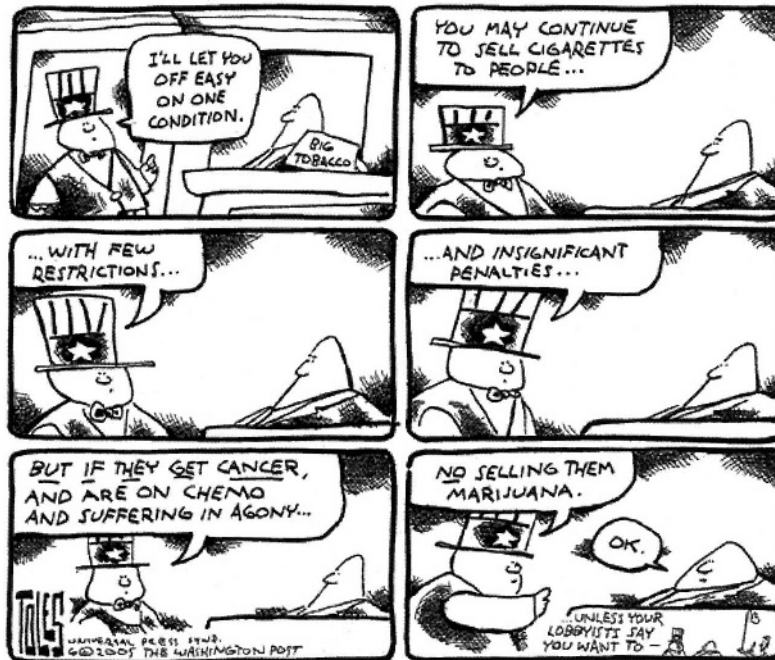


# The Lighter Side



Nearing the close of its massive lawsuit against the tobacco industry, the US Justice Department slashes its demand for a \$130 billion cessation campaign to help all smokers, asking instead for a severely limited, \$10 billion programme. That same week, a US supreme court ruling further restricts access to the medical use of marijuana. © Tom Tols, The Washington Post, Universal Press Syndicate, 2005.



Unfortunately, the butts pile up in Asia as consumption rises precipitously and the industry targets women and the poor.