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(54) Title: RECONSTITUTED TOBACCO (57) Abstract A tobacco industry procedure wherein particulate reconstituted tobacco, exhibiting an inter-particulate adherence propensity, and a particulate anti-adherence agent are subjected to an intermixing process. A body of the intermixed anti-adherence agent and reconstituted tobacco particles is subjected to conditions which, absent the anti-adherence agent, would promote the occurrence of agglomeration of the reconstituted tobacco by inter-particle adherence thereof. The body of intermixed anti-adherence agent and reconstituted tobacco particles is then subjected to a separation process to separate the anti-adherence agent from the reconstituted tobacco. By use of this procedure the reconstituted tobacco can be stored under compacted conditions without the occurrence of agglomeration.		