



**Title:** Instructions for Shareholder Resolutions  
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Resolved, That the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church, meeting in Linthicum Heights, Maryland, October 24-27, 2014, reaffirms the church's socially responsible investment policies, which are based on the three principles of:

1. Avoidance: Not investing in companies whose activities are contrary to our social and moral values.
2. Affirmative Investing: Investing in institutions that can provide financial resources to underserved communities.
3. Advocacy: Voting proxies and activism that focus on constructively influencing corporate behavior;

and be it further

Resolved, That the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church declare its opposition to for-profit prisons and detention centers, which often set occupancy or "bed" quotas, capitalizing on the criminal, civil, or immigration incarceration of individuals; are a leading factor in the "New Jim Crow," the disproportionate mass incarceration of youth and men who are Black and Brown; and feed the "School to Prison Pipeline," which depends on the use of school policing and mandatory sentencing for non-violent crimes; and be it further

Resolved, That the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church directs the Treasurer to avoid investment in companies that own and operate for-profit prisons and detention centers.