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Subject: Comment about recent CFTC hearing about the Gold and Silver metals markets

I watched parts of the live hearing broadcast and some replays later on YouTube. Thank you for having that hearing. I was surprised to hear that the Commission may now have empirical evidence of an actual market manipulation in Silver. If true, then I think it is critical for the Commission to act and implement new safeguards to prevent such short side concentration and manipulation from occurring again. I assume you will need to set a maximum number of contracts that can be allowed, in order to prevent this from occurring in the future.

Sincerely,

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