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I understand many of the proposed changes would implement important consumer protection regulations, which I firmly favors. However, one of the proposed changes would radically lower Forex leverage from 100:1 to 10:1 for all NFA and CFTC regulated Forex firms. I recognize the importance of regulation that strengthens industry oversight. I agree with policing and regulating the industry, as was Congress' intent when empowering the CFTC to create additional rules. However, I don't agree with policies that might clearly disadvantage firms in the United States which in turn disadvantage myself as a client.

Thank you, Jay D.Bernhard