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I am a private individual who for the past three years has diligently studied and trained to be a forex trader for my own LLC. With the economy shifting and then taking a down turn I knew it was time to get re-trained and found a career that I greatly enjoy and that is forex trading. I am finally at the point where all of that time and training are just beginning to pay off thus I wanted to let you know of my distress in hearing of this change in leverage reduction.

The effort, time and capital that one personally has to apply to get the skills necessary to trade forex is easily equivalent to getting a college education and yet there are not tuition breaks or any help to achieve this but sacrifice on the parts of our families in time and a great deal of money. When we start to trade forex we are akin to those freshly graduated from college and our resources are limited until such time has passed that we have been able to successfully apply the knowledge and experience we have gained to the forex world.

That is why at this critical point in my forex career and in the overall economy, opportunities should not be reduced or limited to such a degree that it destroys this career option entirely. I feel that reducing the leverage will rob me of this chance to make all of my hard work and family sacrifices pay off.

I am urging you strongly not to take this opportunity from me and others by reducing the amount of leverage such that we cannot support our families trading forex but leave it as it presently is which allows us the chance to do so.

Thank you for your time and consideration in hearing me out and I will await your decision in this matter.