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To: secretary <secretary@CFTC.gov>
Subject: Opposed to proposed regulations of retail traders

Hi there,

I'm writing to let you know I'm opposed to the proposed regulation to reduce margin to 10:1 from 100:1 for retail traders.

This is an unjust and unconstitutional proposed regulation.

I take full responsibility for my trading, and do not need a regulator to look out for me.

Generally regulators protect the interests of those they purport to regulate, not the consumer.

So, for once, do the public a favor whom you claim to protect: DO NOTHING and we will be fine without your "help."

Maybe you will recall from your history classes the following slogans:

Don't tread on me (American War for Independence)

Live free or die (New Hampshire state motto)

Death to all tyrants (Virginia state motto)

Remember, this country once was free, thanks to the men who gave their lives for the sake of freedom. We now have a regulatory and tax regime that is more punitive and expensive than at any time in world history (not to mention ineffective; read: Bernie Madoff, Allen Stanford, unabated naked short selling in the stock market, etc.).

So, we Americans are told we're free, and some of us believe it. But a lot of us don't anymore. If we were free, we would not have regulators thinking it is their right to take away the American citizen's constitutional right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

I appeal to your sense of justice and right and wrong: JUST LEAVE US ALONE.

Sincerely,

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