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Subject: Proposed Forex leverage limit

To whom it may concern,

As a current US retail Forex trader, I strongly urge you to reconsider your proposal to limit leverage to 10:1. I currently trade for a living, but I am only doing this until I can save enough money to start another business - I sold my first business earlier this year. In order to effectively trade, 200:1 leverage is preferable, with 100:1 being the minimum. If all traders in the US were limited to 10:1 leverage, I think it would have an overall negative impact on the economy, but I can only speak for myself personally. Since Forex trading is currently my main source of income, if I were to no longer use Forex in this way, my contributions to the US economy (spending and taxes) would be severely reduced - I would still be able to start another business, but it would take a lot longer for me to save up the required funds. I want to be a productive citizen and do my part to contribute to the economy and the general well-being of this nation and its people, but this proposed rule would severely limit my ability to achieve these goals.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,

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