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Dear Secretary,

It is my firm belief that a change in leverage to a limitation of 10 to 1 would hinder not only the US retail market for Forex but also hurt the small retail investor such as myself. I do not have much money but with proper risk management strategies I have been able to successfully trade Forex for almost a year now with much better success than trading stocks because of the high commissions relative to my small account size. Without the opportunity for myself as a small but knowledgeable investor to have access to higher leverage I would be forced to liquidate my Forex account with a US based company and move it to a European based company where leverage is still available.