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Dear David Sawick,

I strongly appose the 10:1 leverage cap.

The fundamental cause of economic failure is the lack of government regulation in lending policy and NOT the "traders" ability to short a market in a highly leveraged position. The market sets the price **NOT** the individual trader or group of traders shorting it. If it has been shorted to a low level the buyers come in force to buy up cheap contracts. Demand and supply is a fact. Why did traders want to short the market? Because it was overpriced based on the irresponsible lending practices by greedy banks. Shorting the market was not a cause of collapse...the lending practices were.

To cap the leverage on a market from 200:1 before the crash, then to 100:1 now and the proposed 10:1 in future is merely going to reduce liquidity and profit. The bigger bank players will make less profits themselves and will pass that on to the average every day bank customer which will in turn slow down the economic recovery.

You want a safe secure market system? Target the asses responsible for the crash and leave the ones that profit from fluctuations by making trades based on external market conditions.

Yes I am a trader. My profit potential has already been halved. I do NOT want to see my profit potential go to 20 times less than it was a year ago.

Lets cut you salary by that much and see how you like it.

The government wants to be seen to be doing something useful? Go do something useful...not this.

Neil Douglas.