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It is well past time that the U.S. government got rid of citizenship based taxation for those who are residents (and possibly citizens) of another country. It imposes an unnecessary burden, both emotionally and financially on those citizens. A 60+ page tax return is ridiculous! Then let's add the FBAR, a burden that is only placed on citizens with accounts off shore. That's fine if you can get U.S. residents to fill them out but having residents of another country have to disclose what they have in the bank for everyday living? That is an imposition you do not place on U.S. residents - nowhere do they have to disclose their bank account details or get fined, disclosing interest yes. Equality for all? Nope, not even close! It is time for the U.S. to join the majority of the free world and stop citizenship based taxation and stop being a party of two with Eritrea. Stop the draconian FBAR and citizenship based taxation that places unnecessary burdens on a small portion of U.S. citizens. These laws make it really hard and sometimes impossible for people to have bank accounts where they live, plan for retirement, the list goes on. Taxing expats for funds held in the U.S. is fair, treating retirement or any other income as liable for U.S. tax from another nation that a person lives in is NOT. From my experience the 'tax treaty' does not prevent double taxation as it appears more geared to businesses than individuals. I know I am taxed twice as the formula for tax credits is a joke that I cannot afford as a retiree.