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FBAR information collection from U.S. citizens living abroad is an unnecessary action required by the Department of Treasury. It adds complications for U.S. citizens living abroad. Examples of the burden placed on U.S. citizens living abroad; I (living in The Netherlands for almost 30 years) still cannot have a stock and bond portfolio with a Dutch bank. The reason for this is the bureaucracy placed on the Dutch bank of reporting such an account to the Dept. of Treasury. This creates a difficult situation for me - an honest, working U.S. citizen living abroad. Secondly, my daughter who has never lived in the U.S. must file an FBAR because she has been gifted from grandparents and parents over time and has now an account over \$10,000. All through legitimate transactions and bank accounts.

The U.S. is one of only two countries in the world where their citizens living abroad must still pay taxes and file forms in their country of origin. We already must pay taxes in the country where we live, because that is where we enjoy the benefits of paying that tax, including public transport, schooling, health care, etc.. And, the country of residence is already keeping an eye on illegal money transactions.

We are honest working expats paying taxes and adhering to the laws of the country of residence. Please release the burden of U.S. citizens living abroad from filing tax and FBAR forms in the USA.