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It is highly unnecessary to make ordinary citizens living abroad attempt to fill out FBAR and file information to prove they are not money laundering or anything else nefarious. The US is the only country in the world aside from Eritrea who attempts to tax its citizens based on citizenship rather than residency.

I pay my taxes to my country of residence, they actually have an ingenious system where it's automated unless you're self employed or have tons of investments, neither of which apply to me. Because of this failed American system that is run by lobbyists of TurboTax and HRBlock, I cannot confidently file for myself due to the antiquated online system and multiple levels of tax rules in the US. Again, in my country of residence its ingenious, tax is already included in the price of things at a national level and I don't have to worry about national, state, county, and city levels to do mental math.

I instead have to pay several hundreds of American dollars to HRBlock to file on my behalf. This is money that could go towards actual bills in my country of residence. Or towards flights to see family in the US because I do not live in the US. Yet if I visit them in the US more than 30 days in 365 period I am considered a US resident?! This antiquated failure of a system should be amended or eradicated with haste.