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Hello,

I have lived abroad since I was twelve and I was not aware of our situation with tax filing in the US. It was with extreme surprise and confusion that I found out this year. The reasons for having to file as an American abroad seem not only unfair but burdensome to say the least. Additionally I believe in a review of the FBAR merits discussion. Maybe necessary for the wealthy but I see no point in it when one is just a part time employee or for the hundreds of us struggling with smaller paychecks then our fellow citizens in the US.

(Americans abroad are treated as collateral damage in the war against overseas tax evasion and money laundering. The IRS recognizes Americans abroad as an underserved community. Surely that would mean that the FBAR is long overdue for review given that it is a massively complicated filing requirement that hasn't changed for over 50 years.) Taxation Tax Force