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COT reports

COMMENT

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i'm just a private investor who finds the cot reports of interest but only marginally useful in their current state.

i have only a few comments:

eliminating the report would be a mistake -- the general investing public is tired of government reducing disclosure -- reduced disclosure breeds conspiracy theory's and provides cover for market manipulation

increase disclosures -- why is it that the japanese can disclose market positions by market participant and we cannot? employing a relatively simple software programming solution, accumulating and reporting this data by entity would be easy and inexpensive in fact after setup there would be nearly no incremental cost to publish more complete data.

if the end result of this project is anything other than enhanced disclosure i can only believe that you embarked on the project with zero intent to provide additional disclosure -- people notice these things.

i'm sure you understand where i am coming from i hope you'll realize that people want greater, not less disclosure in the long term you will have done yourselves a disservice should you choose to further lessen disclosure

thank-you

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