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From: Hartley Cranton [hcranton@comcast.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:13 PM

To: secretary

Subject: COT Report

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From: PLF0@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:26 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

I am an investor who receives various daily electronic investment letters from market traders. According to one that I read regularly the COT report is used regularly by traders to assist them in decision making, and for some reason, it will no longer be made available. It is outrageous to withhold an important piece of information from individuals whose trades and advice could affect investors' decisions.

Sincerely,
Patsy Fischer
plf0@aol.com

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From: Drew Keenan [totalcalibration@yahoo.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:01 PM
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Yours faithfully,

Rachel Murphy

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From: Christella Sanz-Guerrero [csanz-guerrero@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:01 PM
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From: Brad Nord [nord@hcinet.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:04 PM
To: secretary
Subject: "COT reports"

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Please do not suppress these reports. What happened to freedom of information in this country?

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From: Pendarvis [pendarvis@tampabay.rr.com]

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Ranie Pendarvis

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From: Jay Vegdani [jvegdani@compufirmsinc.com]

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To: secretary

Subject: COT reports

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I would like to say that I'm against the elimination of the COT reports.

Thank you
Jay Temchack
Belfield, ND

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From: sue pope [cincystories@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:07 PM
To: secretary
Subject: timely reporting of COT date

SECRETARY
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

I am asking that you make COT reporting MORE, rather than less timely. It is very upsetting to know that it is possible to do this and yet you are considering with-holding the data from ordinary citizens like myself. Please give this matter serious consideration.

Sue Pope, USA

secretary

From: Stanley Bishoprick [sbishoprick@exteriorwood.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:07 PM

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Best regards,

Stanley Bishoprick
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Vancouver, WA 98664

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From: Lori Covington [lori@amaonline.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:08 PM
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The government has an unlimited budget for war, but no money for COT reports? Sick, sick, sick,

Jim Glass
Redmond, WA 98052

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secretary

From: Lee Placchi [Lee.Placchi@ISiteGraphics.Com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:11 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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OFF. OF THE SECRETARIAT

I'm concerned about the implication of proposed changes/elimination of COT reports.

Plain and simply:

The government has no right to keep this information from any citizen.
After all, who pays the governments grossly mismanaged salary? WE THE CITIZENS DO!

Wake up and do the right thing. Keeping secrets will only further pollute and destroy public trust, and eventually take down the system at large.

Providing real-time information (the truth), and simplifying the system can only BENEFIT EVERYONE.

--
Lee Placchi
505-541-6455

secretary

From: Mike A. Salim [msalim@adti.us]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:12 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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7/21/2006

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From: texstory [tex_story@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:12 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

7/20/2006 7:12:27 PM
COT REPORTS

With the current effort to keep the investing public on "short rations" as far as pertinent information to make intelligent decisions on how and in what to invest, any attempt to reduce what information IS available borders on the criminal, if not fraudulent. The only reason for doing this would be to further favor very large investment funds and cover the easy indicators of "insider" actions. The COT reports are a valuable and valued tool for ALL investors.

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From: Kevin Kuhn [pawprint1@cox.net]
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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Kevin Kuhn (Los Angeles CA)
323 855 3961

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:13 PM
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Regards

Dave Varpins

14/574 Boundary St.

Spring Hill QLD 4004

Australia

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From: Chris Callero [callchris2@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:13 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Please do not eliminate! It is vital to my client's investments. As a matter of fact, it needs to be reported in a more timely manner. However, I urge that the COT data not be eliminated.

Thank you!

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From: Joe E. Sheldon [jsheldon@socal.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:13 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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Please leave as is.

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From: Glenn Wanielista [gwanielista@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:22 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT REPORT

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARIES

I asking for more timely reporting of COT data, not the elimination of it.
Keep the COT Report coming.

Thanks,

Glenn Wanielista
11869 Dunlop Court
Reston, Va. 20191-2709

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From: victor seibert [samnorth62293us@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:15 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:16 PM
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From: Wei Zhao [wei.zhao@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:39 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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7/20/06 8:39 PM

SECRETARY
OF THE SECRETARIAT

I am very baffled to hear that you are going to eliminate the COT report. We need more timely reports instead!

Regards,

Wei Zhao

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From: TODD AND ELLIE CYPERT [CYPERT@COX.NET]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:40 PM
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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:40 PM
To: secretary
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I know that these are not my words, however they so sum up my feelings on keeping the COT report available.

Thankyou.

David Naughton.

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From: Wilmer Jones [wilmerlj@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:41 PM
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From: Eric Ferch [eferch@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:41 PM
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From: zbaby1 [zbaby1@mho.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:42 PM
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CFO OF THE SECRETARIAT

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From: Jeffrey Polaski [jeff.polaski@rgs.uci.edu]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:42 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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JUL 21 11 06 26
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I just wanted to write a quick not asking that the government keep publishing the COT Reports.

Jeff Polaski
Research and Graduate Studies Webmaster
University of California, Irvine
<http://www.rgs.uci.edu/>
949.824.6363

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:41 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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I want more frequent COT reports, not NONE.

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From: Jay Hunnicutt [jhunnicut@hamilton.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:44 PM
To: secretary
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150 Galway Rd
Aurora, NE 68818

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From: Scott Grady [scgrady@eastlink.ca]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:43 PM

To: secretary

Subject: COT Reports

Please do not stop reporting this vital information, as a matter of fact, you should update it and publish daily!

Thank You

Scott Grady

(902) 436-3730 (home/office) ***

(902) 439-7953 (cell)

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7/21/2006

secretary

From: Bob Henzel [rhenzel@comcast.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:44 PM

To: secretary

Subject: COT Reports

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The COT report information cut-off is a Tuesday, but is released on Friday. It would be more useful if the data were released on the same day as the cut-off.

A problem that needs clarification is with the hedge fund: it can be categorized as a Commercial trader without position limits by using an intermediary swap dealer.

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secretary

From: Steven Croft [croft_s@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:42 PM
To: secretary
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Sincerely

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secretary

From: charles brannon [busterosodd@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:44 PM
To: secretary
Subject: "COT reports"

Please don't discontinue the COT reports.

Sincerely,

C.E.Brannon

Do you Yahoo!?
Next-gen email? Have it all with the all-new Yahoo! Mail Beta.

secretary

From: Jeffrey Goodrich [endstay@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:44 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

Dear Secretary:

I am just a small investor (less than \$300,000) but my taxes help pay for COT reports that create transparency in the markets. I am concerned that your recent request for comments signals either the withdrawal of COT reports (as the Government did earlier this year with M3) or the degrading of such reports.

When the American flag appears, I think "freedom". There can be no freedom if our government and markets are not transparent. Our capital markets have historically been the most transparent and it is that transparency that has attracted capital from all over the globe. With the largest government deficit in the world, and with our housing market dependent upon attracting capital from the Japanese and Chinese, now is certainly not the time to reduce transparency.

Accordingly, I will be watching the government closely on this issue and intend to vote in the fall based upon how committed this administration is to free and transparent markets.

Jeff Goodrich
Greenbrae, CA

secretary

From: Randall Brown [facingallflames@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:44 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT data

To whom this may concern;

I would like a more timely report of the COT data, not the elimination of it!!!!!!

Thank you,

Randall Brown
146 Lincoln Avenue
Haverhill, MA 01830

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secretary

From: Aircowboy@aol.com
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From: Thomas Mathai [tmathai@webone.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:47 PM
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Yours Sincerely

Thomas Mathai
Australia.

secretary

From: Craig Matson [craigmatson@satx.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:47 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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2006-07-20 16:47:00

Dear CFTC Secretary,

These CFTC Commitment of Traders reports are critically important. What is the possibility of reducing the time lag in reporting the data? Currently the data is taken from Tuesday and reported 3 days later after Friday's close.

Thanks for your time,

Craig Matson

secretary

From: Dave [life4us@telus.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:46 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

I have heard that the COT reports for the futures market may be dropped. I am emailing to express my opinion.

PLEASE DO NOT STOP ISSUING THESE REPORTS.

If anything, in this electronic age, why can they not be issued daily, with no lag-time delay?

They are a helpful tool – please continue them. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dave Wardrope

secretary

From: W. L. Davies [wldavies@cox.net]
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P. O. Box 15123
Amarillo, TX 79105

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Lowell Tinsley
Bradenton, Florida

secretary

From: Charles Jordet [cojordet@googlemail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:55 PM
To: secretary
Subject: Proposed elimination of the COT Report

I am opposed to eliminating or changing the frequency or content of the COT report.
Charles Jordet

secretary

From: SK Chu [sunkc2@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:54 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

Dear Sir/Madame,

Please provide more timely reporting of COT data, not the elimination of it.

Thank you.

Regards,

Kwong Chu.

secretary

From: Jerry Donohue [jdonohue@adamskutner.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:50 PM
To: secretary
Subject: cot report

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In today's information age, the COT should be published daily. It should never be eliminated. I don't trade commodities often, but often enough to fear losing this report.

Jerry Donohue

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From: hht18 [hht18@suscom.net]
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Respectfully

Guy Kaeser

secretary

From: NAGIN PATEL [NAGINH@MSN.COM]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:51 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Very truly yours,

Nagin H. Patel
51 Belgrove dr.
Kearny, N.J. 07032
My E-mail is NAGINH@MSN.COM

secretary

From: Edgar J. Steele [steele@plainlawtalk.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:51 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

You want public input? Here, I'll give you public input: elimination of the COT report indicates only an admission by government that it is rigging the markets in collusion with a couple of big players. How dare you!?!

Do NOT eliminate COT reporting. In fact, get rid of the outrageous 3-day lag time and start reporting it more timely, if not more often.

Edgar J. Steele,
Attorney at Law
PO Box 1255
Sagle, Idaho 83860
tel: (208) 265-4153
fax: (208) 265-5329

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From: alfred [ahbalch@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:51 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

Keep up the good work!

secretary

From: MILTON & CAROL ROSKELLEY [micacm@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:51 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

I do not understand why this report is no longer going to be available!

Please register my vote to keep the COT report published.

Milton Roskelley
Tucson, AZ

secretary

From: Michael Downes [mchldownes@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:51 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

I am requesting that the CFTC provides more timely reporting of the COT data and not the elimination of it. To be more specific, why can't it be released on Thursdays in stead of Fridays.

Groups are talking. We're listening. Check out the [handy changes to Yahoo! Groups](#).

secretary

From: algpc@mchsi.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:50 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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COT REPORT

I use the COT report daily in my investment decisions. It is inconceivable that in the age of Enron and WorldCom the CFTC would even consider actually decreasing transparency for large players. Please keep the COT report. Thank you,

P.H. Anderson
Mobile, AL

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From: Des Edwards [des1@netrox.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:50 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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COT Report

Desmond Edwards
5704 NW 112 PL,
Miami, FL 33178.

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Thank you, Hans H Jensen,
4810 Delta st. Delta B.C. V4K 2T6
Canada

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From: Michael Steuer [mesteuer@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:56 PM
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Very Truly Yours,

Michael E. Steuer, M.D.

secretary

From: Jason Heidenescher [JasonHeidenescher@wowway.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:56 PM

To: secretary

Subject: COT reports

Keep them. Hiding information is what got Enron in trouble and Martha and Bill and . . .

secretary

From: Lloyd Prindiville [nu1prindy@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:56 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports.

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I request that the COT reports not be eliminated.

I request that the information be reported on a more frequent basis, electronically.

Thankyou.

Lloyd C. Prindiville
1583 Robinhood Dr.
Arnold, MO 63010

secretary

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Frank Kazel

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From: Greg_Payne [greg_payne@comcast.net]
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To: secretary
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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:46 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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Data is currently released on Friday for the last Tuesday, perhaps removing or shortening the time delay of 3 days.

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From: davedawg masek [davedawgtheadidas@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:46 PM

To: secretary

Subject: cot reports

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Mr. Secretary,

PLEASE do not do away with the once-a-week COTs. These are a valuable tool for traders like me. If possible, try to make them more timely than they are. Please lessen the lag time between when the data is gathered and when it is published.

thanks
dave masek

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From: Craig Tinnes [cptinnes@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:45 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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As an individual trader, I rely heavily on the COT report to assist me in making market decisions.

In response to your request for comments about the COT report, I am therefore deeply concerned that the CFTC would even consider discontinuing such a popular and insightful service. Your own site shows close to 500,000 users last year. The report has been the subject of over 40 University studies and two best selling books.

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Craig Tinnes

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From: Ari Murhandoko [ari@anugranusantara.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:53 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT

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Dear Sir,

What happened?

Yours truly,
Ari Murhandoko

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From: Daniel Fox [danlisafox@worldnet.att.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:49 PM
To: secretary
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From: ikss [ikss@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:50 PM
To: secretary
Subject: cOT REPORTS

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OFF. OF THE SECRETARY

This Report is very useful and it should be continued to be published for the benefit of everybody. Thank you.

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From: john hunt [huntjzdiab@shaw.ca]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:50 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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From: Dean Sawyer [dean.sawyer@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:51 PM
To: secretary
Cc: support@genesisft.com
Subject: COT Report

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CFTC OF THE SECRETARIAT

As an individual trader, I rely heavily on the COT report to assist me in making market decisions. The market also relies on me and other individual traders for liquidity. Eliminating the COT report will increase an already lopsided environment against the small trader thereby reducing the liquidity and increasing the volatility.

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Sincerely,

Dean Sawyer

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From: Roger Gunn [rrowner@cts.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:51 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Data

Please give us more COT data more quickly. Do not eliminate this tool which allows us to study the markets more effectively

Roger Gunn

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From: Yap1993@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:51 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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dear sir,
the idea of doing away with the COT reports is prima facie insane.
this is an integral part of a free and open market.
what is it you're trying to hide?
roger mason
wilmington, nc

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From: Kelly B. Grimes [grimie@mcn.org]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:52 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:52 PM
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Please keep this valuable tool in balancing the playing field available to traders.

LeVonte' Palmer

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From: john klepac [jklepac@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:54 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT

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Sir, request the COT report be published daily. Thanks,
John Klepac

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From: nick podhajsky [nickpod@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:54 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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To Whom It May Concern

I have just been made aware that the CFTC is planning to eliminate the weekly COT report publication. As a farmer and trader I am very displeased with this decision as I use the COT information frequently. I believe this report (among others) is crucial in maintaining the free flow of information that is necessary in a full functioning free market. It is disturbing that the federal government would actively conceal and/or be passively complicit in allowing market moving information to be manipulated or at least provide the impression of such possibilities. I would ask that the CFTC reconsider the decision to eliminate the Commitment of Traders Report.

Regards
Nicholas Podhajsky

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From: rudi.zimmerer@web.de on behalf of Rudi Zimmerer [rudi.zimmerer@web.de]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:54 PM
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Subject: COT Report

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From: grgshoop [grgshoop@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:54 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Greg Shoop
Valencia, California 91355

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From: Richard [dslezak@optonline.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:54 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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OFC. OF THE SECRETARIAL

I have heard that the CFTC is thinking of eliminating the COT report.

This would be a serious mistake, because at a time when regulatory scrutiny is becoming, and will increasingly become, an issue in the markets, to eliminate such an opaque report that provides that bare minimum of insight for the public into the market is sure to become a lightning rod for the reaction that will follow if the markets go into a serious reversal, or if questions arise about the quality and nature of regulation over key financial and commodity markets.

It would be difficult to make the case that the information is onerous to collect, or that it exposes the trading book of any individual or corporation. Given the lags of the report and the collectiveness of the way in which the information is presented, it would be difficult to make the case that it does any harm. The good it does is to provide some insight, even if it is after the fact, into the quality of the functions of the market, and the participation of a diverse group of traders with varying roles in the markets.

The backlash from such a decision is almost certain to be difficult to explain away or avoid when it comes, and at best may provide a distraction from other regulatory failures with hedge funds when the almost inevitable failure along the lines of an LTCM occurs. I know I would not wish to be set up to be the spokesperson for regulatory lapses.

Best regards,

R. A. Slezak
Bernardsville, NJ.

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From: PEGGY WALKER [pegwtex@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:55 PM
To: secretary
Subject: Cot Report

Dear Secretary:

I have been informed that you plan to only put the COT Report out once a month, which comes out once a week now.

If you stop the COT Report from coming out weekly, you are putting the average small investor in a tremendous disadvantage compared to the Large investors who will continue to have this valuable information.

If you stop the COT Report from coming out week. This will be more like Socialism than free speech and information for the average American, it will be very evident that the Government in America is becoming more Socialistic.

I pray you will do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Peggy Walker
A concerned Citizen

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From: John Person [jperson@nationalfutures.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:55 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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From: Matt Kubitsky [mkubitsky@snet.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:57 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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From: Jim Walker (Dr.), CLSA [jim.walker@clsa.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:58 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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OFC. OF THE SECRETARIAT

I find the publication of the COT reports most useful in my analysis of price action in the commodity complex and how we might assess future price movements. It would be excellent if you could publish these on a more frequent basis than the once a week currently scheduled.

Jim Walker

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Patrick Lyerly
1625 Shepherds Glade Drive
Apex, NC 27523

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From: bill sullivan [wmtsul@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:59 PM
To: secretary
Subject: cot report

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i wish to make known my objection to the elimination of the weekly cot report. i think we should have more frequent reports as they are one of the more helpful info the government gives to its citizen investors. make sure we are not denied this service as there is so little you do for us now!!!
wm.t.sullivan

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From: Sherrie Braunsberg [MizsB@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:59 PM
To: secretary
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Sherrie Braunsberg
225 Tollgate Road
Quakertown, PA 18951

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From: stewart van horn [stewartvh@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:59 PM
To: secretary
Subject: cot reports

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hi,
please do not stop the cot reports. they are crucial to my trading.
thanks,
stewart van horn

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From: Vince at Gateway [vzolkosk@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 9:00 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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The COT report not only helps me but all individual traders in making market decisions.

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Vince Zolkosky

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From: CEDRIC WARD [cedricward@adelphia.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 9:01 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

Do **NOT** do away with the Commitment of Traders Report.

Less information is **NO INFORMATION!**

I'm a full time trader, and I need MORE INFORMATION not LESS!

Cedric Ward
Athol, Idaho

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From: Michael Holdeman [send2tiger@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 9:01 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

Keep the COT report. Start being a government for the majority and not just corporations and the rich.

Michael Holdeman

Groups are talking. We're listening. Check out the handy changes to Yahoo! Groups.

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It is ABSOLUTELE essential that citizens be given commodities trading data in a complete & timely manner. if anything, the COT report should be issued more frequently, not cancelled. The withdrawal of information, especially in these times when most reports are available very easily from computer-generated reporting, is appalling!!!!

Linda Clark

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I understand you are considering making changes to the COT reports. The only changes I can think of might be to lesset the time between the "as of" date and the release date; also, perhaps you could include charts as well as raw numbers.

Ed Carlson
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Sirs:
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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:19 PM
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I believe the report should remain available to the public. Information is a key element in the individual's understanding of the markets. Information is the hallmark of freedom. Please continue providing the information. Thank you.

Sincerely,

David B. Durand, M.D.

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Sincerely

Glen Swartz

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Dear Sir,

I would like COT report continued. I am interested in silver and want it continued.

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I cannot emphasize the importance of transparency in the marketplace. The Commitment of Traders report shouldn't suffer the same fate as the Treasury's M3 indicator. In an environment of increasing distrust of market manipulation by the government (especially the PPT or Plunge Protection Team), it would be to the disadvantage of the U.S. Government to do away with the report. We need more data, not less. Especially something this critical.

Sincerely,

Regis Gagnon
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Palmdale California
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secretary

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:10 PM
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From: harold brock [halbrock@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:10 PM
To: secretary
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Hal Brock
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David Beise
Comox, BC
Canada

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From: Larry K. [larryki2342@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:08 PM
To: secretary
Cc: greg@whiskeyandgunpowder.com
Subject: COT Report

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COT REPORT

Dear Sirs:

I am inalterably opposed to your proposal to cease publication of the weekly COT Report.

As a taxpaying American, I am entitled to as much public information as possible to aid me in my investment analysis. Instead of eliminating M3 money reporting and the COT Reports, our government and the CFTC should be providing more transparent data to assist investors in making the most informed investment ecisions possible.

Your proposal to cease COT reporting, like the FRB's elimination of M3 reporting, smacks of Socialism (Need you be reminded that Socialism is the first waypoint on the road to Communism?). Next thing we know, you will be proposing repeal of the Freedom of Information Act. Far better that you and your fellow miscreants sponsor repeal of the Orwellian Patriot Act, considered by many Americans as the most egregious legislation ever authored by an overreaching Administration and rubber-stamped by a complicitous Congress. Take notice, the tide will eventually turn and the voting public will exercise its overriding will by recalling from office the horde of misdirected idiots who are turning off freedom lights all over America. Our rallying cry will be, "Let freedom reign!"

What America needs is more freedom and more information, not less. We are not merely asking for these inalienable rights; we are DEMANDING them!

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From: jmayem [jmayem@cox.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:07 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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This information is vital. Please make it available more timely, and in as much detail as reasonable and possible, given the changes in market conditions since the methodology was last updated, if you do change it. I cannot see how this can possibly be a way to lead to the identity, or an invasion of the strategy or tactics, of any category of trader. That would be a thinly veiled excuse to give a huge advantage to the large institutional traders and others with the resources to gather and analyze the data themselves.

Many full time traders such as myself rely on this data for a complete understanding of the markets. Professionals and institutions have the resources to compute much of it on their own, we do not. Please keep this in mind before eliminating or reducing the detail of this essential resource. You ask many questions in your request for comments. While in 25 years of trading I am qualified to answer all, I must emphasize this one point so I will restrict my comment to that you must publish the report with AT LEAST as much detail as it now contains, and at least on the same schedule, preferably even more timely if possible.

Thank you.

Jeff Mayem

secretary

COT REPORT

From: richard oxford [rjoxford31@yahoo.com]
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I pay money to advisors to keep me informed about what is happening in the investment world. They use the COT reports in their daily analysis of the markets. The loss of this weekly report is going to have an impact on the work they do. The loss of M3 was bad enough but this may have an even worst impact.

In fact the report should come out two days earlier in the week to be more useful.

Anything you can do to keep the COT report and even get it published two days earlier would be greatly appreciated.

Richard Oxford <rjoxford31@yahoo.com>

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Best Regards

Phillip C. Booth Commodity Futures Trader

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From: Bob Griesbach [bobbyg17@athenet.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:06 PM
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From: Charlie [charlie3@consolidated.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:04 PM
To: secretary
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Dear Secretary:

It would a huge mistake to suspend publication of the COT Reports. Investors already that know the commodities markets are manipulated and that CFTC refuses to do anything about it. A better idea would be to KEEP the people who prepare the COT reports and to lay off the rest of the spineless CFTC. You're acting the Fed when M-3 got ridiculous--they simply quit publishing it. Hiding the evidence doesn't hide the whole crime.

Charlie

secretary

From: larry west [hds@mc.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:04 PM
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From: CS.Ho [csho@pacific.net.sg]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:03 PM
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Mike Gluck
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From: clare wilson [cwilson77@bignet.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:03 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

Shame and double shame to consider
eliminating these reports.

secretary

From: Lester Becker [lesbec@optonline.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:03 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

Dear Sir: I am troubled by the possibility that COT reports will be reduced, limited or abandoned altogether. There are many reasons to maintain or IMPROVE the COT reports, and none, it seems to me, to reduce their availability to the general public.

Please improve, not discard COT reports. Thank you. Please put me on your mailing list, if one exists, and keep me informed.

Thank you.

Les Becker

lesbec@optonline.net

secretary

From: Lanell Monreal [moncorp@ihug.co.nz]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:04 PM
To: secretary
Subject: Cot Reports

Hi,

Could i please be sent the weekly COT Reports.
Thank you,
Lanell Monreal
moncorp@ihug.co.nz

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Alex Middleman

secretary

From: Thompse49@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:37 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Elzer T. Fuller, JR. MD

secretary

From: Jeff Frank [jeffreyfrank@adelphia.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:37 PM
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From: Gary Dohner [gary_dohner@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:37 PM
To: secretary
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Gentlemen:

I find it increasingly frustrating that reports that provide information to the investing public are being eliminated. First it was the reporting on M3, now discussion regarding the COT Report being eliminated.

Please retain the publication of this information and increase the information flow, not reduce it. The major players are already aware of the information, but small investors and those not "inside" do not have sufficient information that can be trusted, please keep this report in public information.

Sincerely, Gary A. Dohner

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secretary

From: Bill Sanders [bsanders@boonieliving.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:35 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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CFO, CPD AND CREDITORS

I can think of no reason -- other than the intentional elimination of free information, which is the antithesis of the democratic process -- why both M-3 and COT reports would be discontinued.

They are among the most valuable pieces of information that responsible people need to make responsible decisions. Their suppression must be designed to hide scurrilous activities. In the 1950s, there was a book titled "None Dare Call It Treason". I thought it a bit overdrawn then; its sequel would not be exaggerated today.

Shame.

Bill Sanders

secretary

From: Dave Mahanay [mahanay@smartchat.net.au]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:33 PM
To: secretary
Cc: Dave Mahanay
Subject: COT Report

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Sydney Australia

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Dan Nash
Email Address: dandnash@dwx.com

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From: Penny [pumpkin091@centurytel.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:40 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

I understand their elimination as public information is being seriously considered. The biggies know what is going on already. The only ones in the dark will be small investors, like me. Is THAT the goal? Why should money be risked if we are not allowed information? This, on top of the elimination of publishing M3 is suspicious at the very least and makes one wonder what needs to be covered up.

This is the Information Age. Let's act like it.

Penny and John Pittman Raymond, WA

secretary

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IT WOULD MEAN A GREAT DEAL TO ME IF THE REPORTS WERE SENT SOONER.

THANK YOU.

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From: Robert [rjandro@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:13 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

7/20/06 8:13 PM
CALIFORNIA

Dear Mr./Mrs. Government,

Not only should you NOT eliminate the Weekly COT Reports, you should (in this era of advanced electronics) put this report out on a timely DAILY Basis.

Thanks for your consideration.

A United States of America Taxpayer,

Robert Madro

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2701 SE 9th Terrace
Cape Coral, FL 33990

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Jimmy Timpson

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I understand that the COT report might be discontinued.
I use this report several times a month in my trading, and find it very useful.
Please do not discontinue the COT report.
Thank you,

Kenneth Weissman
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From: john [johnari@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:31 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

July 20, 2006

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John Bartholomew

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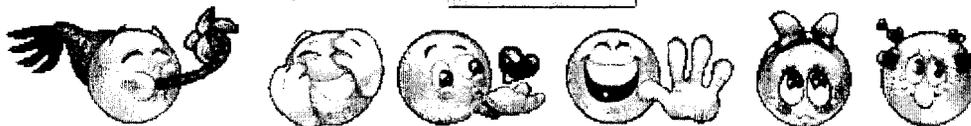
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From: Barbara Hartger [hartger@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:28 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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Thank you.

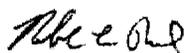
Barbara Hartger

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From: Robert Teel [rlteel@rlteel.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:29 PM
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Robert L. Teel

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:28 PM
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I am opposed to any changes or deletions of the COT..it is an extremely important tool that I use every week.

Thank you,
Mike Farkas

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From: Wayne Kennedy [wayneken1@wbhsi.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:26 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Wayne F. Kennedy

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From: Stan Rahn [capt9@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:27 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COTreport

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Trader Stan

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From: kl-dgj@peoplepc.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:21 PM
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From: Stéphane [scote1748@videotron.ca]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:35 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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From: Gilbtrud@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:42 PM
To: secretary
Subject: (no subject)

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I am deeply worried why is it that the COT reports are to be canceled? Is there not something known as a Freedom of Information act. Please do not cancel it.

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From: Happyatwk@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:15 PM
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From: louis konyecsni [panamatahinipete@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:38 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COMITMENT OF TRADERS REPORT

OFC. OF THE SECRETARIAT

DO NOT STOP THE COT REPORTS!!! IT IS VITAL INFORMATION NEEDED BY THE INVESTING PUBLIC AND VARIOUS ANALYSTS.

WHY IS OUR GOVERNMENT CONTINUALLY REMOVING, BIT BY BIT THE PEOPLES ABILITY TO CONDUCT EVERY DAY BUSINESS. EACH PUSH BY GOVERNMENT TO CONTROL ALL ASPECTS OF PUBLIC LIFE JUST REDUCES THE QUALITY OF OUR LIVES AND PUSHES THE COUNTRY CLOSER AND CLOSER TO A REVOLUTION SUCH AS IS NOW HAPPENING IN IRAQ. THE HARDER GOVERNMENT PUSHES, THE MORE RESISTANCE THEY WILL GET.

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:48 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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Dear CFTC,

I am writing to request the need for more timely reporting of COT data and most certainly not the elimination of it or causing the data to become basically ineffective in any way. We need to be looking at ways to lower the stack in the deck, not add to it's height. In our electronic age, the flow of information should be more efficient and abundant, not restricted. We need to be creating a more level playing field and eliminating or restricting the COT data in any way opposite of being more efficient and open certainly will not do that. Keeping critical data from the traders at all levels is an outrage and not fair game.

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Sincerely,

Concerned trader

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:22 PM
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Australia

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This report is important....it distinguishes commercial open orders vs. non commercial orders. This weekly report should be upgraded to a daily report now that technology is so available. The only reason for discontinuing this is to increase privacy for the insiders....this move would damage the view of the regular trader. Transparency has been a hallmark of the U.S. stock market...this is what allowed it to become so powerful....stopping the COT report along with the removal of the M3 figures mark dangerous moves toward facism.

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From: Chris Wildes [077@cox.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:56 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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OFF. OF THE SECRETARIAT

Chris Wildes
16050 Via Galan
Rancho Santa Fe, C.A. 92091

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From: Gary Richardson [garyrich@ihug.co.nz]

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:56 PM

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To: secretary

Subject: COT Report

Gary Richardson
Auckland
New Zealand

AS a investor and trader I use the cot report, to remove this report is wrong, I strongly support having this report.
Cheers Gary Richardson

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Yours faithfully,

CS Ho

Individual Trader

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:54 PM
To: secretary
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WE NEED MORE TIMELY REPORTING OF COT DATA, NOT THE ELIMINATION OF IT!
from a concerned citizen of the USA

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From: Ray Larson [rgl@lasercom.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:58 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT

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Do not suppress the COT Report. If anything, publish it more often.

Thank you.

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S.F.T.C.

From: Mark [sleepdoctor@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:58 PM
To: secretary
Subject: Cot reports
Importance: High
Sensitivity: Personal

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Dear Sir:

Please continue to publish the Cot reports. This information is crucial for many of us.

Respectfully, Mark Merriman MD

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From: Vicki Morrison [vlm1948@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:58 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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We are interested in more timely information not less. This country is beginning to do away with all our freedoms. Shame on you for taking away free markets and our democracy.

Vicki L Morrison
503 W Ave F
PO Box 309
Caldwell, KS 67022
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From: Lanell Monreal [moncorp@ihug.co.nz]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:59 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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OFC. OF THE SECRETARIAT

To whom it may concern,

I disagree with removing this source of information. We are supposed to live in a free country with free information so therefore it violates our rights to withhold information.
Please listen to the people and continue with this and know in your heart that it is right,

Thank you,
Lanell Monreal
New Zealand

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From: V. Lindy Spassenko [vlindy@earthlink.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:59 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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245 W. Loraine St., #313
Glendale, CA 91202

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:01 PM
To: secretary
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From: Dave and Carol Ann Matthews [goatlover@prodigy.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:59 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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Please continue the weekly report.

Dave Matthews

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From: Ron Walters [walters@t-one.net]
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Victory Drive. Ludington, Mi. 49431

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From: Bruce Margolis [bruce@brucemargolis.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:32 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Bruce Margolis
1822 Valley Wood Way
Lake Mary, FL 32746

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From: Marvin Weaver [deltamarv@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:31 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT. REPORTS

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Davis, California

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From: Damon Jacobson [damon@swmobilestorage.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:31 PM
To: secretary
Subject: Elimination of COT report

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JUL 21 2006
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARIAL

DO NOT ELIMINATE THIS REPORT.

IF ANYTHING, THIS REPORT SHOULD OCCUR MORE FREQUENTLY.

secretary

From: Johnson [robertwj@charter.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:31 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports and data

7/20/06 8:31 PM
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Mr. or Ms. Secretary,

I am writing to let you know that the commitment of trader data that is released every Friday is extremely helpful to me in my business in monitoring the commodity futures markets. It has been very useful in keeping me on the right side of the market at times when I was doubtful about where to place my position. I respectfully request, if possible, that you could close the gap between the effective date of the data and the day reporting. Shortening it by one day would make a big difference in the currency of the data; if you could report Wednesday end of trading data on Friday that would be great. But whatever you decide, keep up the good work. I use this information every week.

R. W. Johnson

secretary

From: Gary McGuire [smile@bizwoh.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:29 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

12/20/01 11:33:35
COT OF THE COMMODITY...

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McGuire

937-648-9151

Gary

Dayton Ohio

secretary

From: Enid RAPKIN [sunset1_30@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:28 PM
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From: Chi Keung Law [dpent1992@yahoo.com.hk]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:28 PM
To: secretary
Cc: support@genesist.com
Subject: Save COT Report

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From: Jim & Carol [bama-usc@earthlink.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:28 PM

To: secretary

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DO NOT ELIMINATE "COT" report.

J Kemp

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From: Royce Tucker [roycetucker@earthlink.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:27 PM
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Royce Tucker
roycetucker@earthlink.net
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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:27 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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From: Gary Kuever [gkuever@tweaks.org]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:19 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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COT OF THE SECRETARIAT

Dear Sir,

Please do not discontinue the COT reports, they are quite useful to me in helping to judge what investments are wise or not.

Its odd that it would even be considered to cease publishing the data.

Regards,
Gary Kuever

secretary

From: Garth Trengove [gartht@tsn.cc]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:16 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

2007, 21 PM 3:35
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Hello,

As an active user of the reports, they would be more useful if they were more timely ie. there wasn't a 3 day delay. Also, could they be more frequent? I think the COT report is very valuable and would not like to see it discontinued.

Regards

Garth Trengove

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From: Wendy [mwcareweiss@netzero.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:08 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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It is outrageous for you to consider hiding public information from the American people. Why do you want to hide this information - to benefit special institutions or cover your tracks? This country is still a democracy, not a dictatorship.

From Agora-Financial:

"Look at how stacked the deck is:

- 1. Massive insider backdating of options*
- 2. Massive insider selling of stocks while buying back shares for the public to meet EPS requirements*
- 3. Three-day delays in COT reports (reports that insiders do not want the public to see at all)*
- 4. Elimination of M3 reporting*
- 5. Short interest stats that come out so infrequently as to be useless*
- 6. Upgrades at the top and downgrades at the bottom*
- 7. Upgrades and downgrades after mutual funds have bought in or sold*
- 8. Debt-rating changes happening only after they are totally expected (GM, Ford)*
- 9. Debt-rating companies having side business relationships with companies they rate*
- 10. Upgrades and downgrades of stocks during options expiration week and other less liquid times for maximum effect*

Elimination of the COT report would be another attempt to further stack the deck."

secretary

From: Dorothy Petersen [dvpetersen29@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:10 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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2006 JUL 21 PM 6:54
COT. OF TRADE SECRETARIES

Dear Sirs:

The COT report is a vital report for me ---a small commodity trader. I don't believe in suppression of data by the government which is what you will be doing if this report isn't published. Actually it should be reported more often. This is one of the few useful reports put out.

Mrs. Dorothy V. Petersen

7907 W. Willowbrook Dr., Mequon, WI. 53097

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From: C.R. Vandiviere [cvandiviere@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:11 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reporting

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COT OF THE SECRETARIAT

As there is no apparent reason to cease publication of the COT other than to disguise actions on the Commodity Exchange within a hazy screen of pseudo-information, I strongly object to the elimination of such data. As an active trader, I must use all the information available. Please, do not stop its' publication.

secretary

From: Frank McDonald [socafrank@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:11 PM

To: secretary

Subject: COT REPORTS

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Thank you,
Frank

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From: Robert Evans [revans@eharch.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:12 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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CFTC

Dear Sir/Madam:

As a small investor in commodities, I find it absurd that the CFTC is considering eliminating the COT Reports (or reducing their scheduled occurrences significantly). Hard, accurate data is the only basis for investing in commodities (or anything else), and we Americans need access to **more** data, not less, in the global market place.

Rather than eliminating the Reports and access to government data, please consider **increasing** the frequency and quality of such Reports. It is the duty of the US government to **inform** its citizens of the market's status, not to hide such data. Nor to intervene in the free market place.

Very truly yours,

Robert Evans
188 Dean Street
Brooklyn, NY 11217

secretary

From: Nathan Shaw [n8shaw@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:12 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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Please do not take this report away. It is a very valuable tool in my commodities trading.

--Nathan Shaw

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From: MGiobbe@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:13 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

I use the weekly data on open futures positions and contracts in many aspects of my business. Please continue this invaluable service

Mike Giobbe
83 Kipp Street
Chappaqua, NY 10514
(914)238 3406

secretary

From: LFarrell@Stroter.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:13 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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I am totally opposed to discontinuing this information!
Keep publishing it.
Larry J. Farrell
Hollister, MO

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From: Joe Signorelli [joesig@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:13 PM
To: secretary
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From: William C. Fordham [wilmar@theramp.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:13 PM
To: secretary
Subject: "COT Reports"

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CFO, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Secretary,

Please do not eliminate the COT Reports.

They are the only tool available to commodity producers and users that allow us any chance at all of being informed about who is doing what in the futures markets.

If we could live in a perfect world, those reports should be done every day, through the previous days trading, and not every week.

Thank you for allowing me to have a voice in these matters.

Sincerely,

William C. Fordham
C&S Grain Market Consulting
24704 2200 ST
Ohio, IL 61349

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From: Weizmann Sharon-ASV006 [sharon.weizmann@motorola.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:14 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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Please don't stop publishing the COT reports.

Thank you,
Sharon Weizmann

secretary

From: Angela [msangelabates@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:11 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARIAL

I have recently learned of the proposal to eliminate the publication of COT reports. I wish to register my extreme displeasure at this possibility.

As an individual stock trader and a student of free markets, I rely upon timely, public data streams such as the COT data. It is an outrage that the U.S. government or any entity regulated or influenced by the government should propose to withhold important economic data from citizens. This smacks of tyranny of the worst sort.

Therefore, I insist that if this is your intention, you are violating one of the principles of a free republic, and I will join with other concerned people to overturn your actions.

Sincerely,
Angela Bates

secretary

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From: LbeThere@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:15 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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Under no circumstances should the CFTC stop the COT report!!!!!! It is bad enough that they are trying to hide what is really going on by getting rid of the M3 money report. No more hiding and subterfuge!!!! Do not under any circumstances stop publishing the COT report!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Never, nada!!!! Clear enough?

U.S. SEC.

secretary

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From: AmeruMix@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:15 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

O.F.C. OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Sirs,

I read that the CFTC is thinking of not issuing the weekly Commitment of Traders reports on commodities.

Please do not do that. It is very important to observers of our economy, including me, that we all have access to that information.

Bad enough that the Federal Reserve eliminated the M3 reports. Please do not follow their footsteps.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Mix

secretary

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From: Larry Ryan [lryan85@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:16 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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To all interested parties:

The COT reports provide part of a basic set of data by which to evaluate a market. Without knowing what is hanging over or supporting a market, it becomes more difficult to determine when one should hold, buy, or sell. Markets today are becoming quite volatile, be it the value of the dollar, gold, stocks, bonds, interest rates, real unemployment, you name it. Every bit of information is important. Especially important is to have information known to many of the 'players' known to all of them. The free market is only free when the 'playing field' (the information available, investment methods, etc.) is as close to level as is practicable.

There are more and more things that are deemed 'not fit for mere mortals' because of the 'security of the country', or because 'it costs too much'. Pure hogwash. Reports such as the M3, the COTS, etc. are collected by a 1 second query on a computer; cost: zero! (Unless the agency is twenty years behind the times.) The security risk is in keeping the information from the public. The public utilizes information for the common good by orders of magnitude better than any government agency's bureaucrats.

The COTS should not only be continued, but the program established so that the information is available EVERY day a hour after the markets are closed.

Thank you,
Larry Ryan
Sacramento, California

secretary

From: Jay Gillette [jaygill@attglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:15 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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Eileen Donovan, Acting Secretary,
Commodity Futures Trading Commission,
Three Lafayette Center, 1155 21st Street, NW.,
Washington, DC 20581

I understand that you are soliciting comments and suggested changes regarding COT reports. I use the COT reports often. These reports are the only way I have to gauge the manipulation that exists in certain commodities. **I would suggest daily reporting and more information regarding the volume and concentration of contracts held by the largest contract holders.**

I believe that the largest holders would have access to the COT information without the report, but for "Joe Citizen", a small individual investor like me, losing the COT reports would be a great loss and a big disadvantage.

With regards to fairness,

Jay Gillette
Dinuba, CA

secretary

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From: John Salter [js2@jam.rr.com]

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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:16 PM

To: secretary

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Subject: COT Reports

Please continue issuing the COT reports as there is no other way most of us have in knowing which way to turn in our investments strategies. Pres. Bush advises citizens to invest, but I can not do so blinded by no information after you turn off the knowledge spigot.

I am alerting my Senators to the impending deleterious and malicious action you are contemplating.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

--John Salter, Jackson, Mississippi

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From: gary given [gary_given@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:17 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT data

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dear Govt ScamArtists..
give us back our M3 data and commitment of traders..
what is this a dictatorship?

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From: Martin Cloutier [sublissimes@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:17 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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The COT report is a vital tool for the free market trader. I use it every day when considering trades.

Please keep this report available to the public.

Martin Cloutier

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From: klynif@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:17 PM
To: secretary
Subject: cot reports

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Please note that I along with many others think we need more cot reports. Not the elimination of them.
Kelly Wujceak

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From: Robert Lyons [mathadore@citenet.net]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:18 PM

To: secretary

Subject: COT reports

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Dear Madam or Dear Sir,

One simple word to ask you not to suppress the publication of the COT reports every Friday. Also, I believe that it would be a very good decision for many investors if the reports data were closer to the publication's day of these reports.

Have a very nice day,

Robert Lyons

secretary

From: Gregory Davis [gregory@jaguarpayroll.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:34 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am just getting started in trading and I really need this report to help me get a feel for the Market Sentiment. Please be kind and keep this report for me and others who NEED this report.

As an individual trader, I rely heavily on the COT report to assist me in making market decisions.

I am therefore deeply concerned that the CFTC would even consider discontinuing such a popular and insightful service. Your own site shows close to 500,000 users last year. The report has been the subject of over 40 University studies and two best selling books.

While the report may need modification, the number and size of exemptions granted by the Commission would seem to demand more transparency, not less. In general, any changes should not result in discontinuing, suspending or delaying, the Commitments' report, and the Commission should take precautions to implement report changes in such a way as to maintain continuity with historical data. Absent historical reference, the report becomes nearly unintelligible.

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I urge you to continue publishing the reports. They are a valuable tool for investors throughout the world.

Thank you for keeping our markets transparent with full disclosure to the public and thank you for considering this matter.

Sincerely,

Gregory Davis

7/21/2006

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From: kevin O'Dell [prairiefarm@agristar.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:33 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Sincerely

Kevin O'Dell
5785 Thornville Road NE
Rushville, Ohio 43150
prairiefarm@agristar.net

secretary

From: James Ferguson [fergy56@worldnet.att.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:33 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

From Jim Ferguson
P.O. Box 3652
Holiday, Fl. 34690
fergy56@att.net

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Jim Ferguson

7/21/2006

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From: Josh Olson [joshawa@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:30 PM
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From: Maurice Garcia [mauricegarcia@optonline.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:32 PM
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Maurice Garcia
115 Franklin Turnpike #118
Mahwha, NJ 07430

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From: Domenic M [domhk2000@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:31 PM
To: secretary
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From: HAROLD HAWK [hwh860@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:39 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT REports

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Don't eliminate the COT reports. Instead, speed them up.

Groups are talking. We're listening. Check out the [handy changes to Yahoo! Groups](#).

secretary

From: Robert Cierlitsky [cjier560@ptd.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:38 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Please do not cease disclosure of COT positions.

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From: Govind Rao-Potlapally [graopotl@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:38 PM
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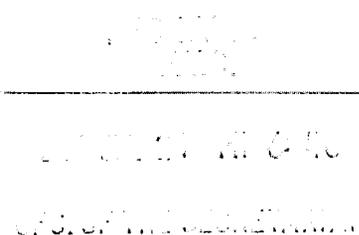
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secretary

From: kevin hayes [hayeskev@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:38 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report



Dear Sir,

I would ask you provide more timely reporting of COT data, not eliminate it. You are in great danger of the whole world loosing confidence in US finance and then you would in even further **SERIOUS TROUBLE. Don't do it!**

Kevin

secretary

From: Dick Willis [all54mt@adelphia.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:42 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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From: Anthony Ransome [pieinthesky@unwired.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:38 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Anthony Ransome

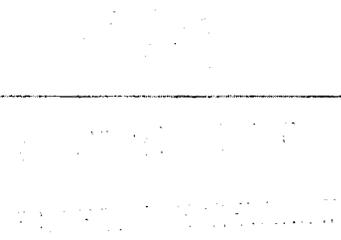
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From: Jeff Medici [j28m@optonline.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:37 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

Please note my opposition to the discontinuance of thr COT report. It is much better to have more information when handling my finances. Please do not take this information away from me.
Jasper Medici Montville, N.J.

secretary

From: John Kosar, CMT [john@asburyresearch.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:37 PM
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Subject: COT Report



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Admittedly, the report is not as valuable to investors *in certain markets*, as futures traders are able to mask their positions by the use of more sophisticated hedging strategies. However, for most of the deliverable markets such as Treasuries and commodities, these data are a valuable resource for investors and should be mandatory by our government in the spirit of full disclosure for these markets.

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I urge you to continue publishing the reports. They are a valuable tool for investors throughout the world.

Thank you for keeping our markets transparent with full disclosure to the public.

John Kosar, CMT
Asbury Research, LLC

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From: Glorianne Muggli [muggligr@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:43 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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OFC. OF THE SECRETARIAT

As an individual trader, I rely heavily on the COT report to assist me in making market decisions.

I am therefore deeply concerned that the CFTC would even consider discontinuing such a popular and insightful service. Your own site shows close to 500,000 users last year. The report has been the subject of over 40 University studies and two best selling books.

While the report may need modification, the number and size of exemptions granted by the Commission would seem to demand more transparency, not less. In general, any changes should not result in discontinuing, suspending or delaying, the Commitments' report, and the Commission should take precautions to implement report changes in such a way as to maintain continuity with historical data. Absent historical reference, the report becomes nearly unintelligible.

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From: Robert Cierlitsky [cjier560@ptd.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:41 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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Bill Rafferty
4117 Da Vinci Drive
Longmont, CO 80503

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From: Tim Osborn [tjsosborn@earthlink.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:41 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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7730 Columbia Rd.
Pataskala, OH 43062
July 20, 2006

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Sincerely,
Timothy Osborn

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From: roger p [wondering101@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:41 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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What are you people thinking, that report should come out MORE often than it does now; this has the smell of "insiders" all over it.

secretary

From: Lynn LaFon [lynnlafon@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:41 PM
To: secretary
Subject: "COTS REPORT"

7/20/06 07:41 PM
COTS REPORT

WE NEED MORE AND BETTER REPORTING OF PERTINENT INFORMATION, NOT LESS. IT'S HARD ENOUGH WITH ALL WE CAN GET TO DO A DECENT JOB, BUT ELIMINATING THE COTS REPORT WILL REALLY BE A HARDSHIP TO MANY INVESTORS, LARGE AND SMALL. PLEASE DON'T.

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From: Dean Wall [dean@okpm.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 7:41 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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Hello,

I am appalled that you would consider not making public the COT reports any more. I certainly hope that will not happen.

Sincerely,

Dean Wall

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From: ABInspect@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:19 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

20 JUL 21 PM 6:34

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Keep the COT Report

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From: Mike Anderegg [andereg@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:15 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports
Importance: High

2006 JUL 21 PM 6:34
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This is absolutely essential for small traders who are at a huge disadvantage. the government appears to be looking for ways to hide things as opposed to more transparency. The more data we can get with the less lag the better.

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From: Dr. Jack Waserman [jwaserman@gmail.com]

2006 JUL 21 PM 6:24

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:19 PM

To: secretary

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

Subject: COT reports

These should be published EVEN MORE OFTEN and NOT DISCONTINUED! Why even consider stopping?? The timely availability of important marketplace information is necessary for the public to participate meaningfully, as informed and free individuals.

Jack Waserman

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From: Pete Harmon [pwharmon@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:20 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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It is my understanding that you are currently reviewing the COT reports.

As a trader and investor, I would love to see less of a lag than the current 3 days, for the reports issued to make them more timely.

Thank you,
Peter Harmon

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From: Zephie001@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:23 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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I support the continued publication of the COT reports rather than their elimination. Larry Stewart

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From: Nicolae Schiopu [n_schiopu@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:23 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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With great disappointment I just learned that you are planning on taking away another useful report (after M3) so the deck will be stacked even worse in favor of the big players who I am sure will still get the data every day.

No surprise for me.

Regards,

Nick Schiopu

Do you Yahoo!?
Everyone is raving about the all-new Yahoo! Mail Beta.

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From: Frank R Darling [fdarling@cox.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:23 PM
To: secretary
Subject: Cot report issue

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RE discontinuing the COT report...I am a small investor and find this information invaluable...please keep the playing field level for the public traders and investors and continue to publish this report.

Frank Darling
ACI, Inc
HealthyChoiceNaturals.com
949.218.5846
C 949 8422220

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From: David Sippey [DSIPPEY@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:24 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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OFC. OF THE SECRETARIAT

Please do not discontinue the weekly publishing of this data. I'm confused on why you want this data withheld?
I would prefer daily reports.

Thank you.

David Sippey
2347 Roanoke Springs Dr
Ruskin, FL 33570

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From: henry woodbridge [hwoodbridge@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 5:24 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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I would like to go on record as opposing the elimination of the above report. It is a very useful tool and there is no reason for it's elimination. When the elimination of the M3 information was first proposed, I couldn't understand that either. Why should the public be deprived of such information, especially at a time when influences on our economy and our markets are becoming more complex? Henry S. Woodbridge Jr.

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From: CAFranklin@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 8:38 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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Greetings:

COT data should be reported more often, not less often or eliminated. Everyone should have access to the data and not just a select few as would be the case if public disclosure was eliminated. After all, this is the land of the free and the home of the brave, is it not? I certainly hope it still is but, then again, hope springs eternal.

Sincerely,

Chester A Franklin

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From: ken quarton [quarton@rogers.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:26 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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some data is just too important for the individual investor...please keep thios service!!

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From: padamson [padamson@socal.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:27 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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The CFTC appears to be trying to eliminate the COT reports. Accurate, timely information is the key to a free market. You should be taking steps to make the data more timely rather than eliminating the reports. In any case, it is an example in which the people who have access will know the data and only the public will be harmed. That step will be another step toward reducing liquidity in the market.

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From: John Schmidt [heydrjohn@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:25 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report Comment

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Do not stop publishing the COT report.
John Schmidt

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From: Brendan Korneski [wsebk@videotron.ca]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:25 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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I am totally against the withdrawl of the COT Reports. This should remain as is for us traders.

secretary

From: Iverlv@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:23 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

2006 JUL 21 PM 6:22
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To Whom It May Concern --

The COT reports should be made available more often than once per week. Daily publication should be feasible given the state of current technology. In fact, an attempt should be made to publish in real time.

Iver A. Iversen
3105 Zenith Ave N
Mpls MN 554225421
763 522-6882

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From: Maurice Huber [mdhuberr@insightbb.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:24 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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Dear Mr. Secretary,

I was quite surprised to learn today that the you folks were discussing the possibility of discontinuing the COT reports! I hope this is just a rumor. I will keep this email brief. I have been studying the futures and commodities markets for the past year and developing a strategy to trade these markets. A critical part of my strategy is to review the COT reports on the instrument I am studying each Friday. My question in the past has been, why, in this electronic age, isn't this information being published more often, like once a day, instead of lagging 3 days and then only once a week? Now you want to discontinue? What might the reason be, I beg? I would think that my government would be more interested in making wallstreet MORE transparent for everybody, after all, it is a FREE market! I would appreciate a response as to the reason why you want to discontinue the COT report. Lets not discontinue, lets report COT once a day, or twice a week. Speaking of market data, while we are at it, lets report the Short report at least once a week, instead of once a month which would be a huge improvement. **IN THIS ELECTRONIC AGE, TRANSPARENCY SHOULD BE THE FOCUS OF TODAY.** Thanks for your time.

Maurice Huber
mdhuber@alltel.net

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From: David Heim [tdheim@davtv.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:23 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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One more example of cutting out the small guy. Please have a heart and reconsider this stupid decision of discontinuing the subject reports.
Thank you, D. O. Heim

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From: VIRGINIA HEWITT [5625blacky@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:21 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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The cot reports are very important to my trading. would like to see the data released on thursday or wednesday

thankyou
5625blacky@msn.com

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From: EdErdely@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:21 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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From: Paul [pc2004@shaw.ca]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:21 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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CFC. OF THE SECRETARIAT

Thank you for enquiring about the use of the COT program. I would like to see it continued and possibly modified.

I would like quicker reporting if possible. The delay from Tuesday to Friday delays its usefulness a great deal. I would like to see almost immediate reporting or at least a decrease in the wait time.

Thank you.

Yours truly
Paul Crowe

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Comprehensive Review of the Commitments of Traders Reporting Program

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Request for comments.

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From: Toby Francis-Bruce [pkts@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:20 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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I am writing to request that the CFTC does not eliminate the reporting of COT data. This data is extremely educational and frankly, I cannot think of a good reason to not publish it. In fact, I would prefer if the COT data was published more frequently and with less of a daily.

Respectfully,

Toby Francis-Bruce.

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From: LRDavis543@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:20 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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The elimination or reduced frequency of publication of the COT reports will be extremely harmful to the small investor/trader and only serve to benefit the insiders and large traders.

The COT report should not be eliminated, it should be published more often and closer to real time. How about daily for the previous day!

Keep and improve the COT reports by making them more frequent and more timely.

Lawrence R. Davis

secretary

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From: Peter C. L. Timmons [ptimmons@trfinancial.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:20 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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OFC. OF THE SECRETARIAT

Dear Sir/Madam,

We have been using your COT data for many, many years and have made it an integral part of our market analysis. We hope you will continue providing the public with this very valuable information.

If any changes could be made, it would be to shorten the length of time it takes to get the information out to the public.

Thank you.

Peter

Peter C. L. Timmons
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From: Tad Stock [stocklt@adelphia.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:19 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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Dear Secretary,

Please do NOT eliminate the COT reports. They are very important in my work.

Thank you,
Larry Stock

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From: Randy Gilbreath [cyclone_1974@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:18 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING???

DO NOT eliminate the COT reports! Increase them to daily's. This is infor the little guy needs to keep up with the big guys. They already have an unfair advantage over little guys. DO NOT add this one!

Randy Gilbreath
530 647 2924

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From: Sid Jacobs [infomarietta@earthlink.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:17 PM
To: secretary
Subject: cot reports

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I find the COT reports one of the most useful tools I use in making investment decisions. Instead of eliminating this report you should be publishing it more often and with a shorter time lag.

Siodney Jacobs

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From: Robb Green [robbgreen@adelphia.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:17 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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The COT report is a vital tool for the free market trader. I use it everyday when considering trades. It is about the only piece of data the Government puts out that I actually think is useful. When I read that this information might be taken away I was very concerned, but unfortunately not surprised given the elimination of reporting M3. To eliminate the COT Report would be a huge error in judgment.

By hiding key market info like the COT report, the marketplace is no longer level, and free market integrity is deeply in question.

secretary

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From: Mark Schmedthorst [lilycapitalmgt@sbcglobal.net]

2006 JUL 21 PM 6:31

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:27 PM

To: secretary

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Subject: COT Reports

Dear CFTC-

Please consider changing the rules regarding release of COT data to public. Data is currently released on Friday for the last Tuesday. I cant understand why this info cant be disclosed sooner in todays environment. Please consider removing or shortening the time delay of 3 days.

thank you for your time-
Mark Schmedthorst
Lily Capital Mgt, LLC

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From: RICHARD BOOTH [macbooth@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:27 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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Dear Secretary,

Please do not support efforts to eliminate the COT reports. Though they don't come out regularly enough, they serve a useful purpose for traders who try to follow developments in the commodities market. Thus I would be most disappointed if the reports were no longer made available. If anything, they should be sent out daily or at least twice a week.

Sincerely,

Richard Booth
Fair Oaks, CA

secretary

From: Jay Berkey [trends@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:28 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Report

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARIAL

Please do not stop reporting the COT report. On the contrary it should be reported daily not just weekly.

J. W. Berkey

secretary

From: Ray Osborne [rayozz@ccio1.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:28 PM

To: secretary

Subject: COT reporting

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Please DO NOT discontinue the COT reporting as this report is vital to my business. If discontinued, it is just another indication of government hiding information.

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From: ITSTHEBALM [ITSTHEBALM@COX.NET]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:28 PM
To: secretary
Subject: cot report

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Dear Secretary:

What is the purpose for your asking for comments from the public recording these reports. Is this a head fake while you are in the midst of doing something else? Sorry, but my trust in government never existed.

Please provide more information, not less, if that is your intent.

Thank you.

A tax paying citizen and non-government worker

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From: . [report@houston.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:30 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT reports

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OFC. OF THE SECRETARIAT

Dropping the cot reports is another attempt at creating an unfair playing field for individual traders. Large trading houses, institutional traders and commodities producers will always know the commitment of traders data when they place their bets. Individual investors will be kept in the dark and be forced to trade blindly on a government mandated unfair playing field.

The cftc has seldom been known for its support of the individual investor. This is an attempt to create an unfair informational advantage favoring commercial and institutional traders. Congress should regulate the cftc because of it's blatant favoritism.

The COT report is **Public Information** and must be made permanently available to **The Public**.

secretary

From: RGray97977@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:30 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT report

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The COT report is valued information to me as an individual investor. I urge that it continue to be made available to the public in a timely manner.

Regards,

Ron Gray

secretary

From: Peter Mondo [pjmjudo@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:31 PM
To: secretary
Subject: cot report

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to whom it my concern:

the information in the "cot report " enables citizens to knowledgably participate in the market system. do not take away this information from the american public.

Thank you,

Peter Mondo

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From: billbrambo@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:33 PM
To: secretary
Subject: COT Reports

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Dear Sir, I heard today that you are considering elimination the COT Reports. Why I wonder? I use it daily in my investing program and am completely against such a move. It is bad enough to eliminate M3. It appears to me that moves in our government are making it difficult for the average investor to know whats going on. In the investing arena government should make these matters more transparent-not less as appears to be the case. Respectfully. Bill Bingham

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From: P B [smiles45pb@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2006 6:34 PM
To: secretary
Subject: Elimination of COT reports-Transparency of U.S. government

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Jul 20,2006

Gentlemen,

The intention to remove COT data to the public has categorized the U.S. to be a third world government in regards to public information. Intentions are clear and the results will be contrary to what is expected by its engineers.

The elimination of M3 on Mar 21, 2006 began a sustained rally in major metals and other commodities. Fear of inflation and the consequences of that move caused the initiation of that rally. Why you may ask? Simple, the fear of something is always a multiple of the actual event may be. In other words, the Fed is now at a large disadvantage in offering clear concise and transparent information which is owed to the public. Elimination of the COT information will cause an even worse problem for gov't.

The public already does not trust the government. The Fed's information statistics on inflation, unemployment and GNP are already a national joke. The government's inaction in the massive New Orleans disasters. The inaction of our stock market protectors CFTC, SEC on obvious corporate corruption by directors (Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac). Our government's do nothing approach to our national infrastructure (water, roads, immigration etc). Finally the U.S. government's inaction by our protectors (CIA, NSA & FBI) with giant resources, manpower and information just became spectators while citizens were slaughtered in mass on 9/11/01.

Do we need more interference by government? I don't think so and neither do millions of others. GOD BLESS AMERICA. Sincerely Peter Bach

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As a small investor, I find the COT report to be an important data point providing vital information affecting investment decisions.

The COT report should be provided DAILY, not discontinued. Given the use of computers tracking all positions, there is no reason that this cannot be done.
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