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do you understand? this is a global shorting market. high frequency trading dries up demand and shorts like to be in the same market because they can sell into the bid, take advantage of the stock going lower. this is happening to stocks all over the world. they don't particularly care about news. they short on good news or bad. they just want price action. that takes \$ out of investors' pockets. they want to hit price triggers so that investors will sell to them cheaply. they like lower-priced stocks because they make more \$. the thieves are running the market. why do investors have to put up with this? why don't they have to borrow before they short? why do they continue to trade through trading portals without filters.

if you want this stuff to stop, you will have to audit a broker yourself. they don't have their customers' portfolios. they might have counterfeit shares. they might have options, but that is not shares. they might have cash, but that is not shares. the brokers certainly don't have the margin to do this much trading. they can't borrow shares to do this much trading. suspend some broker for 90 days and refuse to let them trade during that time. do not depend on the auditors to rubberstamp the inventory count, because this is all they will do. the SEC and FINRA will have to SHOW the auditors how to do a broker audit. if brokers are doing illegal stuff, arrest them.

the SEC and FINRA are not stopping the fraud in a timely manner. investors know something is wrong with the market. investors know they lose \$. their portfolios are going down in value. this is why the investors are not buying yet. the SEC and FINRA need to restore confidence in our markets. further, apparently HFT and shortsellers need to be saved from themselves. the marketmakers, HFT and shortsellers all want to be on the same side of the trade. with the investors standing and waiting, this is the worst news for the traders. you can't buy in if the longs won't sell. they can only trade among themselves, but who wants to take the losing side of the transaction, now that the investor isn't on the losing side of each trade? the answer is to churn, keep the debt alive. hide the transaction from the government. or buy in. but most of them are NOT buying in because the shortsellers, marketmakers and HFT are risk-averse. how can brokers afford to carry these debts? you should find out.

further, when brokers report their customers' inventory, someone needs to add up all the shares in one symbol and match with the clearinghouse. i am quite sure that all brokers' holdings of one symbol will be more than the transfer agent says. i am quite sure you will find that all brokers have different totals than the transfer company says they have. auditors need to verify that also. the customer inventory needs to be added up and compared with the inventory that the brokers have. shortselling subtracts from the dealer inventory.

look, if you allow unlimited shorting, you are basically saying that the authorized float is infinite. this is especially true if there is ANY delay on settlement. you know there have been delays on settlement, that settlement has been manipulated by bad data formats, not buying in, unauthorized trading claiming marketmaker perks, etc etc etc. if the float goes to infinity for even a short time, what do you think happens to the price? price goes down. the shortseller is

removing their risk and putting it on the investor. tell the brokers that you are scheduling every broker/clearinghouse for audits in rotation every two weeks and you will be drawing a # out of the hat. tell them you will be bringing the CFTC, DOJ and the FBI with you on these audits. if you find significant errors, then the compliance officer will be arrested, the affected department heads will be arrested. first surprise audit is in two weeks. all market deadlines should be followed. if some broker owes stock to your broker being audited, it should be bought in **WHILE YOU ARE STANDING THERE**. if a broker owes stock to another broker for more than three days, it should be bought in **WHILE YOU ARE STANDING THERE**. these are debts to the investors of the stock caused by illegal activity.

the mission of the SEC is to regulate the stock market. traders are only in the stock market for a short period of time. they are not investors. they are taking \$ out of the market. they have been doing this for some time, faster than investors can put \$ into the market. this is why the market is trending downward for the last several years. traders will yell and stamp their feet, but this is only to manipulate the regulators to letting them continue to take \$ from the investors.

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