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6th July 2002.

Dear Sir/Madam,

International Convention for the Suppression of  
Financing of Terrorism, done at New York on  
9th December 1999

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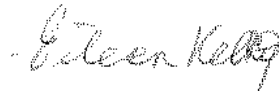
Thank you for sending me a copy of the above. I welcome this treaty and hope that in the process of tracing illegal financial transactions those on drug smuggling and people smuggling will also come to light. I heard someone say on ABC radio that there are often connections between trans-national crime and terrorism.

I have only one comment; this concerns Article 18, section 2 (b) Feasible measures to detect or monitor the physical cross-border transportation of cash and bearer negotiable instruments, subject to strict safeguards to ensure proper use of information and without impeding in any way the freedom of capital movements.

I doubt whether this can be done effectively without impeding capital movements. Capital moves round the world so quickly owing to high technology. I think this should be deleted because surely stopping the financing of terrorists is so important and vital for nations that we should all be willing to put up with some loss of freedom for capital movements.

I would like to continue to receive notification of impending treaties. There are many about which I know nothing and therefore cannot comment or have an opinion but I do appreciate knowing what is afoot in regard to conservation, the economy and welfare, and water.

Yours faithfully,



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