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The Honorable Charles P. Rettig  
Commissioner  
Internal Revenue Service  
1111 Constitution Avenue, NW  
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Dear Commissioner Rettig,

Many thousands of Americans living outside the U.S. facing severe hardship because of the economic disruption caused by the Coronavirus pandemic are in grave need of CARES Act aid. Unfortunately, there are barriers in place obstructing their access to it. I ask that you direct urgent attention to the removal of these barriers.

Non-U.S. Bank Account: The tools make no provision for Americans abroad who have no U.S. bank account or who prefer to have the Recovery Rebate deposited directly into their local bank account.

I ask that the IRS add the following fields to the form to accommodate the accounts of Americans living abroad in non-U.S. banks: an International Bank Account Number (IBAN) field and a Bank Identifier Code (BIC) field.

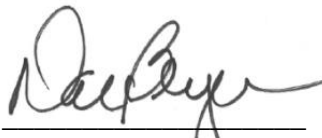
Non-U.S. Phone Number: The phone number field is limited to 10 digits whereas most non-U.S. phone numbers are 11+ digits.

I ask that the phone number field accommodate more digits or that the form be updated to include an additional field for international phone numbers.

I sincerely hope these remedies can be urgently addressed to ensure Americans abroad can access the aid they are eligible for under the CARES Act.

Thank you in advance for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,



Donald S. Beyer Jr.