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Dear Editor,

On July 30, 2001, I was the subject of an article in your newspaper ("Virginian Fights for International Tax Havens"). I appreciate the *Journal* taking an interest in me and my organization, however, the article was filled with errors which should be corrected. Some of the errors are as follows:

The estimated \$70 billion tax revenue loss due to so-called tax havens is not an IRS figure but one created by a former Democrat Capitol Hill aide who has declined to substantiate his claim. The Heritage Foundation was misidentified as the Heritage Institute. The Center for Freedom and Prosperity (CFP) did not meet with Larry Lindsey and Glenn Hubbard in June or Mark Weinberger "two weeks ago." House Majority Leader Dick Armey was a leader on this issue a month before CFP was founded. The Critics of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development include the Congressional Black Caucus and some liberal privacy advocates -- not just conservative groups.

The article also discounts the grassroots effort to stop international bureaucracies from constraining tax competition. Yet the coalition includes foes of the "know your customer" battle of two years ago and thousands of citizens who have contacted the Treasury and Congress from all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

The discussion of CFP's fundraising was similarly misleading. Like every non-profit citizen group in America – National Taxpayers Union, NARAL, Sierra Club and AARP-- our donors are confidential. I can say, however, that we are fighting a global battle to defend the interests of American taxpayers and we will raise money from those around the world who share our beliefs in competition, privacy, and sovereignty.

Sincerely,

Andrew F. Quinlan
President