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The Internal Revenue Service has issued its annual report for FY 2018, showing that

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The IRS report is linked here:

https://www.irs.gov/pub/whistleblower/fy18_wo_annual_report_final.pdf

The report confirms the following facts related to the IRS program:

- In FY 2018 the IRS determined that whistleblowers were entitled to \$312,207,590 in awards.
- The U.S. government collected \$1,441,255,859 in sanctions as a result of whistleblower disclosures.
- The Average whistleblower reward was set at 21.7%, a significant increase from FY 2017, when the average reward was only 17%.

“In 2012 the IRS shocked the Swiss banking system when it made the largest individual whistleblower reward in history, paying Swiss bank whistleblower [Bradley Birkenfeld](#) \$104 million. Today's report will have an equal impact.

Whistleblowers who witness tax frauds will be encouraged to take the risk, and report the crimes. Fraudsters beware.” Kohn added.

[Dean Zerbe](#), the Policy Counsel for the NWC who works extensively with Kohn and the NWC on tax whistleblower cases, said: “Finally, the IRS has hit a home run for whistleblowers in 2018 – and honest taxpayers saw a huge win. These are game changing numbers.”

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