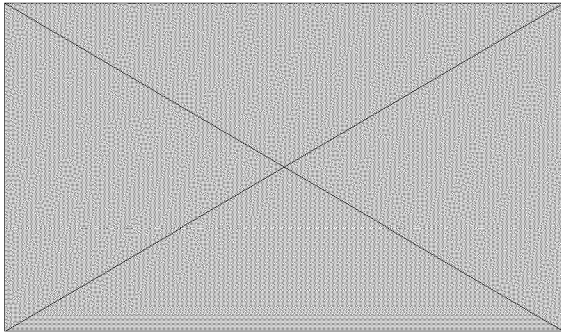


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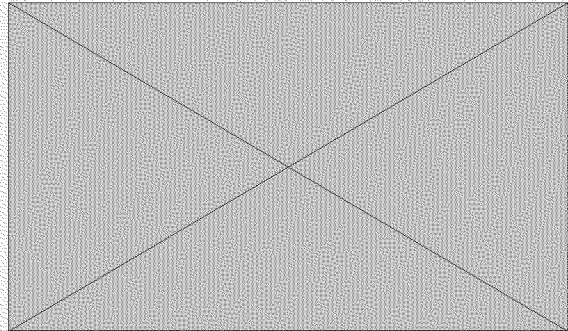
The American dollar is in trouble

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President Trump is fond of measuring his economic performance by how the US stock market is doing. But a more revealing and less rosy measure of his progress might be coming from the currency markets. The dollar has lost as much as 10 percent of its value since the January 2017 inauguration. The recent decline is particularly troubling, as it comes at a time when two historically dollar-supportive

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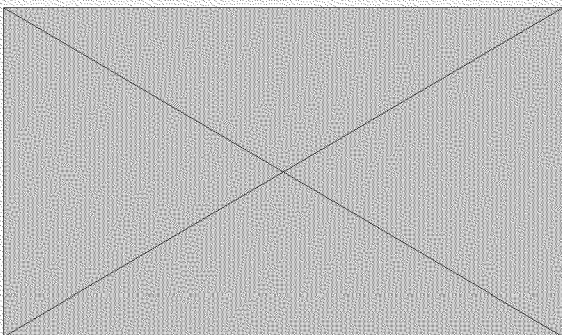
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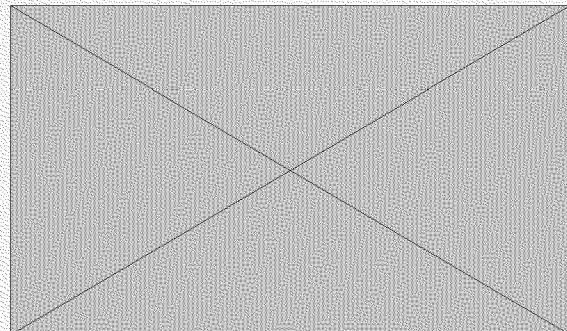
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