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OMB is putting a hold on sending HHS witnesses to the Hill through the end of March. This will indefinitely postpone our budget hearing.

Thanks for your patience,  
Adrienne

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Dear Agency Legislative Affairs Teams:

Due to the full Administration mobilization underway, we are placing a temporary hold on sending up government witnesses who are engaged in the coronavirus response. The Executive Branch needs all of its resources directly focused on executing its day-to-day response to coronavirus. We will continue to practice "radical transparency" with Congress