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Dr. Fauci—Thank you for the chat. Here is the reporter's contact info and she is expecting your call.

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Hey Caitlin and Katie,

Happy Friday! I'm working on a story about the coronavirus response, aiming to publish tomorrow. The story is about how President Trump has praised China and President Xi, but that has made some of his advisors uncomfortable given the lack of transparency from China and the inability to get CDC scientists in to the country. We also have some details about the response and the task force, and some disagreements that have arisen. I've listed the points we have in the story that pertain to HHS – would you be able to take a look, let me know if there are any issues and potentially provide a comment? I included some quotes from Sec. Azar's interviews on Friday with CNN and CNBC but also happy to include a quote from the agency.