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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

March 2, 2020

The Honorable Wilbur Ross
Secretary
Department of Commerce
1401 Constitution Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20230

Re: Ensuring Americans have the supplies they need

Dear Secretary Ross,

I write regarding my strong concern that the Department of Commerce has undermined U.S. preparedness for a potential coronavirus outbreak. Because the department has declined to provide answers orally, I am putting my questions in writing.

Please provide answers to the following questions as soon as possible but no later than close of business on Wednesday, March 4.

1. Has the China procurement service flyer and guidance for medical supplies been withdrawn?
2. If not, why not? If so, when?
3. Were any U.S. sales made with the assistance of the Department of Commerce's Commercial Service for the medical products on the flyer?
4. What is the Commerce Department doing to ensure we have the needed medical supplies here domestically?

I look forward to your prompt response. A well-coordinated response means ensuring that American families have the needed medical supplies to address the coronavirus threat.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Doggett