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**MEMORANDUM**

**June 29, 2020**

**To: Members of the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis**

**Fr: Majority Staff**

**Re: Hearing on “The Administration’s Efforts to Procure, Stockpile, and Distribute Critical Supplies”**

On **Thursday, July 2, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. E.T.**, the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis will host a hybrid in-person/remote hearing on the shortage of personal protective equipment and other medical supplies and the Administration’s efforts to address these shortages during the coronavirus pandemic.

This hearing will convene in person in 2154 Rayburn House Office Building and remotely using WebEx, which has been approved by the House, at the discretion of the Chairman, the witnesses, and other Members.

**Strict adherence to the [Attending Physician’s Guidelines](#) is required for all participants attending in person.** Pursuant to these guidelines, “face coverings are **REQUIRED**” in the hearing room, and entry will not be permitted without a face covering. In addition, seating arrangements will be “in accordance with social distancing guidelines” and “every effort should be made [to] adhere to six-foot social distancing guidelines.”

Members attending remotely are asked to connect by 8:30 a.m. to ensure their participation and troubleshoot any connectivity issues. The hearing will be recorded and livestreamed for the public.

**I. SCOPE AND PURPOSE OF HEARING**

The hearing will examine the Administration’s efforts to procure needed personal protective equipment, testing media, and other medical supplies in response to the coronavirus pandemic. The hearing will also address the federal government’s plans to coordinate the distribution of supplies to states and local communities and to replenish the Strategic National Stockpile to meet current and future demand.

**II. WITNESSES**

**Rear Admiral John Polowczyk**  
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**Admiral Brett P. Giroir, M.D.**  
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**The Honorable Kevin Fahey**  
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