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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about the global pandemic response. World response to world threats has never been as coherent as one would like but in other recent outbreaks the CDC and WHO have both done quite well. You cut back the CDC global response when a pandemic was likely eventually and are now threatening the WHO in the midst of one. Even with the vast losses here it is clear that covid will be much more destructive in less developed countries as the reports of bodies in the streets of Guayaquil are hinting. Some global entity able to quickly move resources to hot spots would save many thousands of lives. You are following your usual playbook of causing some disaster, accusing someone else of exactly what you did and then focusing your energy on hurting them. This is always repulsive but in assailing the WHO it could be catastrophic.

 $Please\ assure\ me\ that\ you\ will\ support\ the\ WHO\ pandemic\ response.$

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our global leadership.

Sincerely, Eric Babson