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Please see below for message compiled from information received today from GAC

With China's manufacturing capacity increasingly coming back online and COVID-19 mostly under control in China, but accelerating in Canada, we have now entered into a clear reversal of the earlier situation.

Canadian missions in Asia have been receiving an increasing number of offers of donation of medical supplies from companies in China (as well as, in smaller numbers, other countries). Already, PHAC has been approached by over 70 different groups for donations.

GAC is working closely with PHAC to ensure these offers are triaged, qualified, meet Canada's requirements, and are delivered to Canada in a manner that suits the needs of PHAC.

Donors that have come forward include C-Trip (the largest online travel booking firm in China), Huawei, Alibaba Foundation, Fosun (owners of Cirque du Soleil), and several others. PHAC informed this morning they accepted a donation from Alibaba and the Jack Ma Foundation.

Missions are informing interested donors and suppliers that Canada's priority is to access medical-grade supplies in the 10 categories below.

- 1) Disposable N95 masks
- 2) Disposable surgical masks
- 3) Nitrile gloves
- 4) Vinyl gloves
- 5) Gowns
- 6) Bottles of hand sanitizer
- 7) * Ventilators/respirators

- 8) * Testing kits & extraction reagents
- 9) * Flocked swabs
- 10) Other prevention products
- *: Although these items are not on PSPC website, PHAC confirms these are priorities in terms of sourcing

It is important to note that these are not government to government offers, rather offers from Chinese companies to the Canadian and provincial governments.

In parallel, Public Service Procurement Canada's (PSPC) have received several thousands offers of medical supplies through their website many of which originate from Asia. 80% of suppliers whom have registered to offer supplies are Chinese companies. GAC staff is helping to triage this list of suppliers.