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Thank you very much for the call this morning. Attached is a draft EO for consideration.

Best regards, Julie Anna

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By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended (50 U.S.C. 4501 *et seq.*) (the “Act”), it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Policy. On March 13, 2020, I declared a national emergency recognizing the threat that the novel (new) coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 poses to our country. I also recognize that other industries play a crucial role in supporting the Nation throughout this emergency, including those critical infrastructure industries, as defined by the Department of Homeland Security, such as food production and supply. Businesses operating in the food supply and production industry have a special responsibility to maintain, to the fullest extent possible, their operations and normal work schedules. Since then, we have seen some of these operations reduce their capacity and output due to issues related to COVID-19. These businesses are crucial to our emergency preparedness as we respond to COVID-19 and after we defeat it during the recovery. Accordingly, I find that conditions exist which may pose a direct threat to the national defense or emergency preparedness programs and that the continued operation of food processing, production, and supply companies meet the criteria for emergency preparedness and protections under 50 U.S.C. 4501 *et seq.*

Sec. 2. Presidential Order of Continued Operation. I hereby order that critical infrastructure food companies continue their operations to the fullest extent possible both during and after the COVID-19 crisis subsides so that they can continue to process, produce, and deliver food to the Nation.

Sec. 3. General Provisions. (a) Nothing in this memorandum shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect:

- (i) the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof; or
 - (ii) the functions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget relating to budgetary, administrative, or legislative proposals.
- (b) This memorandum shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.
- (c) This memorandum is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the

United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.