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State Leaders and Staff,

You are invited to a conference call briefing tomorrow with Senior Administration Officials about China recently agreeing to combat the trafficking of fentanyl thanks to President Donald J. Trump's efforts. China's agreement to designate fentanyl as a controlled substance is a significant advancement in the fight against the opioid crisis devastating our communities.

Briefing Call on the Significant Advancement in the Fight Against the Opioid Crisis

- **Date**: Thursday, December 6
- **Time**: 10:30 a.m. Eastern Time
- **Call-In Information**: RCW 42.56.420 (NOTE: Participants will receive instructions on accessing the conference after RSVPing to the link)

Additional Information

- **Statement By White House Press Secretary Sarah Sanders (Saturday, December 1, 2018):** "Very importantly, President Xi, in a wonderful humanitarian gesture, has agreed to designate Fentanyl as a Controlled Substance, meaning that people selling Fentanyl to the United States will be subject to China's maximum penalty under the law." Full statement can be found here.
- Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN) said this move "will save thousands of lives."

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Thanks,
Nic

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