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Thank you for contacting me regarding the 75<sup>th</sup> World Health Organization Assembly Meeting. I appreciate your time in this important matter.

As you may know, the Biden Administration has prepared and proposed amendments to the WHO International Health Regulations which is the set of rules that govern the responses that are put out to the public during international health emergencies. After conferring with several of my colleagues on this matter, I am working diligently to address your concerns. The Biden administration's liberal agenda with its proposed amendments cannot change or supersede U.S. law. After several serious lapses in transparency about the relationship between the World Health Organization and Communist China, I continue to work with my colleagues to understand the origin of COVID, and why the World Health Organization supplanted itself with the Chinese Communist Party.

As an example, in 2020 the Federal Government declared a "natural disaster" in response to COVID under the Stafford Act – a U.S. Law. However, for any international treaty agreement to take place, the United States Senate would first need to ratify such a treaty agreement with that international body. Our constitution clearly outlines the requirements for international treaties to be voted upon in the U.S. Senate. I am fighting to hold the WHO accountable, and to be more transparent with the public. I will vigorously fight any measure that would compromise the sovereignty of the United States.

Given the concerns with the World Health Organization, I want you to know that I am a cosponsor of Representative Chip Roy's H.R. 419, No Taxpayer Funding for the World Health Organization Act. This piece of legislation will prohibit the United States from providing any financial contributions to the WHO. I have also signed a letter through the Republican Study Committee requesting more information and documents related to the amendments that the Biden Administration proposed. I am a proud member of the House Freedom Caucus, who also wrote a letter to President Biden urging him to withdraw from the WHO.

I continue to work with my colleagues to get to the bottom of this issue. I sincerely appreciate you sharing your concerns with me directly. As Congress takes further action on this issue, I will be sure to update you through my e-newsletter and on my website at <a href="https://fulcher.house.gov">https://fulcher.house.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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