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## XI JINPING CALLS ON TRUMP TO IMPROVE US-CHINA RELATIONS AMID COVID-19 CRISIS

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Phonecall between leaders came as China prepares to seal itself off from the world to stem imported coronavirus cases

Chinese president Xi Jinping has called on Donald Trump to take substantive actions to improve relations between the two countries, as China prepared to shut its borders to foreign arrivals amid fears of infections coming from abroad.

On Friday, Trump and Chinese president Xi Jinping held a phone call about the coronavirus outbreak in an attempt to repair strained relations, following weeks of traded barbs over the virus. According to state media, Xi told Trump in a phone call on Friday that US-China relations had reached an important juncture.

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