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Good morning,

Yesterday, 3/26/20, AG William Barr instructed the BOJ/BOP to release low level, non-violent, older, and people with established release plans. Up until now, the BOP has IMMEDIATELY put into place directives from above, including canceling religious services, visits, and doctor appointments. I am wondering if this particular directive - that positively affects the incarcerated - will be immediately implemented as well. I have already messaged administrator Steve Sellers to inquire as to when they will begin to follow this directive.

Can you all organizations look into this? We really need to know exactly what Barr said, since as of now there have been two publications that wrote articles on it, *Politico* and *Wall Street Journal*. If anyone comes across the actual memo or statement that Barr issued, can you please forward it to me? And I believe that if we inmates have not heard anything by early next week, we will really need the public's support, including orgs, family, and friends to begin calling and emailing BOP to see what is happening.

Politico article: "[Feds may send some prisoners home due to virus risk](#)" 3/26/20 3:10 pm EST
Wall Street Journal article: "[Barr Tells Federal Prisons to Increase use of Home Confinement, Fearing spread of Coronavirus](#)" 3/26/20 7pm EST

Thank you,
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