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**From:** Freedman, Andrew  
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**To:** benjamin.friedman@noaa.gov  
**Subject:** Time sensitive -- confirmation on 2 items

Hi Ben,

I hope you're doing well.

I'm an editor at WaPo and am trying to confirm the reporting in NYT's story yday on DOC's involvement in initiating the unusual NOAA stmt that went out Friday re: Hurricane Dorian forecasting. This could be on background, meaning your name would not be used.

So far, no other media org has confirmed it, and I think it's vital that the truth comes out about this and the existence of a possible IG investigation. Any help you can provide on this would be appreciated. Dr. Jacobs and I have been in contact during the past few months, and he can vouch for my discretion and knowledge/commitment to covering NOAA's key role in the gov't (I used to work at NOAA in public affairs back in the day, too).

My contact info is below.

Thanks and best regards,  
-Andrew

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