

Blame game escalates between US and China over coronavirus disinformation | CNN

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Washington (CNN) – President Donald Trump says he has declared war on the [coronavirus](#) in an effort to contain the outbreak and its economic impact here at home, but on the world stage, his administration is engaged in another battle as the US and China [fight to shape the narrative](#) about the pandemic’s origins.

Trump and senior members of the administration [have attempted to brand the outbreak](#) as the result of a “Chinese virus” as they ramp up accusations that Beijing failed to identify, stop or warn about the virus early on.

The administration has also implemented a coordinated messaging campaign which includes talking points sent out by the National Security Council pushing US officials to highlight China’s alleged “coverup” and subsequent disinformation campaign, CNN has learned.

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