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[Redacted] On the first, we have shared with them all of our intel on likely Republican votes. I think they know we are now well north of 67 votes. On the second, we have confirmed with the parliamentarian that we can move from the treaty to the appropriations bill by consent or with a simple majority vote. So if we begin start on tuesday night there is a way to get both measures done by the weekend. We will keep working it with Reid staff and floor staff over the weekend. If you have any reason to speak with Durbin (he's on sunday shows) or schumer, I'm sure that would help too.

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What's the best way to make sure it comes up next?

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One START update: new START remains in the mix for next week, but when it will be fit into the schedule is not firmly decided. On Monday at 3.00 pm, the Senate will vote on cloture on the tax bill. They expect to obtain cloture. If the opponents require the use of all 30 hours, post-cloture, they will finish the tax bill on Tuesday evening. It is possible that new START will then be the next order of business. But that hasn't been decided yet. They could turn to the omnibus or back to don't ask don't tell as a stand alone measure. but we are still in the mix, and will have to keep pushing with Reid, Durbin, Schumer etc.