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“ In the wake of Trump’s move, Beijing is threatening to retaliate with “necessary countermeasures.” But its options are pretty limited. Fact is, the US economy is strong, while China’s is slowing. And the US trade deficit with China, \$419 billion last year, means Beijing has more to lose from escalations. You can see why New York’s own Sen. Chuck Schumer is urging the president to “hang tough on China.” ”

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