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A nurse in Richmond, Virginia, readies a syringe with the COVID-19 vaccine at the Richmond Raceway complex March 4. (CNS/Julia Rendleman, Reuters)



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