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American businesses are at an economic disadvantage because health coverage costs are much higher than other countries.

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