

According to people familiar with the discussions, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the world bank are increasingly concerned about the spread of the new coronavirus epidemic, and consider reducing the size of the spring annual meeting in April or holding it by teleconference.

The IMF and the world bank are scheduled to hold a spring meeting in Washington April 17-19, with about 10000 government officials, journalists, business people and representatives of civil society around the world.