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Spanish home-buyers want big, bright and airtight in response to coronavirus

● After Spain's stringent coronavirus lockdown trapped many in cramped urban flats, builders and architects say **demand for new homes with more space, better air quality and higher security has soared.** From state-of-the-art ventilation systems to comfy at-home work spaces and more outdoor areas, the COVID-19 crisis has changed the market. See Page 7.



Safe and secure homes.

BRITAIN APPROVES PFIZER'S COVID-19 VACCINE, ROLLOUT TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK

London.—Britain approved Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine yesterday, jumping ahead of the United States and Europe to become the West's first country to formally endorse a jab it said should reach the most vulnerable people early next week.

Prime Minister Boris Johnson touted the medicine authority's approval as a global win and a ray of hope amid the gloom of the novel coronavirus which has killed nearly 1.5 million people globally, hammered the

world economy and upended normal life. Britain's Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) granted emergency use approval to the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine, which they say is 95% effective in preventing illness, in record time—just 23 days since Pfizer published the first data from its final stage clinical trial. "It's fantastic," Johnson said. "The vaccine will begin to be made available across the UK from next week. It's the protection of vaccines

that will ultimately allow us to reclaim our lives and get the economy moving again."

The world's big powers have been racing for a vaccine for months in an attempt to be first to begin the long road to recovery.

The approval of a vaccine for use almost exactly a year since the novel coronavirus emerged in Wuhan, China, is a triumph for science, Pfizer boss Albert Bourla and his German biotechnology partner BioNTech.

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