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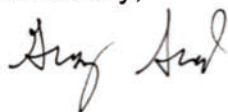
Professor Zhenying Wang  
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Beijing, P. R. China

Dear Prof. WANG,

It is my pleasure to invite you to meet with my colleagues and I from the Department of Entomology at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas, USA to discuss the biology, ecology and management of the fall armyworm, *Spodoptera frugiper*a. This new globally invasive pest is native to the New World, but has recently spread all the way to China after being introduced to West Africa just three years ago.

We look forward to your visit on August 28, 2019 to discuss research opportunities and control strategies that are of joint interest to the US and China as we both seek sustainable ways to manage this devastating and highly mobile agricultural pest.

Sincerely,



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