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Conversation: China - US Polar Region Partnerships

Please see the message below from Jihong Cole-Dai. He is looking for feedback for a presentation at the roundtable discussions on "China - US Polar Region Partnerships". Please contact Jihong directly at: Jihong_Cole-Dai@sdstate.edu

Dear ice core research colleagues:

I have been invited to participate in a research roundtable (RRT, China - US Polar Region Partnerships: The International Polar Year 2007-2008 and Beyond) on collaboration between US and China on polar research at the 2007 George Bush US - China Relations Conference in Washington D.C. October 24-25. Attending the RRT will be Chinese polar research scientists and administrators. I am preparing a presentation I call "Polar Ice Core Research and Opportunities for Collaboration" to the RRT on behalf of the US ice core community. I will summarize on-going US ice core activities and plans for the future. This part of the presentation will be based on summaries from the April 2007 Ice Core Working Group meeting.

The other part of the presentation will be on collaboration. I am asking for your help on this part. Specifically, I am asking you to contact me if you

- 1. have on-going or have had past polar ice core research collaborations with Chinese scientists or organizations;
- or
- 2. have specific ideas and suggestions to initiate collaborations with China on polar ice core research.

You may be aware that China is making a major effort toward building infrastructure and establishing a significant presence in polar research. Examples of this effort include the establishment of an Arctic research station (in Svalbard) in 2005 and a planned permanent station in central East Antarctica. Ice coring and related activities are envisioned to be a key component and driving force for the East Antarctica station. The RRT will be an opportunity for bilateral discussions on blueprints for collaboration.

Your inputs will help me present examples of current and recent collaborations and ideas for future collaboration and will provide substance for discussion with our Chinese counterparts at the RRT. Please contact me by September 30 to make sure your input will be included. My contact information is

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