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To: Deputy Minister of
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Dear Igor Igorevich!

In order to further strengthen Russia-China relationship in the sphere of research and technology cooperation for 2012 and beyond, the Barley and Malt Union and China National Research Institute of Food and Fermentation Industries have initiated a bilateral agreement on implementation of the project “Organization of scientific trials of malting barley varieties” (hereafter – the Project). Aims of the Project – organization of variety test plots in three agro-climatic zones of the Russian Federation, determination of malting barley varieties highly sought by the Chinese processing industry, as well as strengthening of the world position of Russian agricultural producers.

The Barley and Malt Union and China National Research Institute of Food and Fermentation Industries drafted a suggestion on implementation of the Project within the framework of the Russia-China Subcommittee on research and technology cooperation of the Russia-China Committee on Organization of Regular Meetings between the Heads of the Governments and sent it to the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation (Letter No. 014/2012 from May 28, 2012).

The Ministry of Agriculture of the Russian Federation kindly requests you to support inclusion of the Project in the list of activities within the Russia-China Subcommittee on research and technology cooperation of the Russia-China Committee on Organization of Regular Meetings between the Heads of the Governments.

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