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-FIELD HEARING NOTICE -**China's Agriculture Policy and U.S. Access to China's Market**

Hearing Co-Chairs: Commissioners Daniel M. Slane and Michael R. Wessel

WHAT: Public Hearing on "China's Agriculture Policy and U.S. Access to China's Market." This hearing will examine China's approach to developing its agricultural sector, how that development presents opportunities and constraints for U.S. producers, and what safety and public health issues continue to plague China's agriculture and food processing industries.

WHEN: Thursday, April 25, 2013, 8:15 am to 4:30 pm. Reservations are not required to attend – seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Public comments will also be welcomed on a first-come, first-served basis.

WHERE: Curtiss Hall, Room 127, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa

PANEL INFO: Panelists' bios and written statements will be available on the Commission's website at www.uscc.gov on Thursday, April 24, 2013.

HEARING AGENDA:

8:15a - 8:30a **Welcome from Wendy Wintersteen, Endowed Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

8:30a - 8:45a **Co-Chairs' remarks: Commissioners Daniel M. Slane and Michael R. Wessel**

8:45a - 10:15a **Panel I: The Status and Future of China's Agricultural Development**

- Bill Northey, Agriculture Secretary of Iowa, Des Moines, Iowa

- Fred Gale, Senior Economist, USDA Economic Research Service, Washington, D.C.
- Dermot Hayes, Co-Director of the Food and Agriculture Policy Research Institute, Professor of Agricultural Economics, Iowa State University

10:15a - 10:30a **Break**

10:30a - 12:00p **Panel II: Food Safety: Trade Barriers and Public Health Issues**

- Kevin Brosch, Senior Consultant, DTB Associates LLP, Washington, D.C.
- Bill Westman, Vice President, International Trade, American Meat Institute, Washington D.C.
- Patty Lovera, Assistant Director, Food and Water Watch, Washington, D.C.

12:00p - 1:00p **Lunch Break**

1:00p - 2:30p **Panel III: Bilateral Trade and Investment: Opportunities and Constraints**

- Veronica Nigh, Economist, Farm Bureau Federation, Washington, D.C.
- Colin Carter, Director, Giannini Foundation of Agricultural Economics, UC Davis, Davis, CA
- David Miller, Director of Research, Iowa Farm Bureau, Des Moines, IA

2:30p - 2:45p **Break**

2:45p - 4:15p **Panel IV: Intellectual Property and Value-Added Production**

- Mark Lange, CEO, National Cotton Council of America, Cordova, TN
- Barbara P. Glenn, Senior Vice President, Science and Regulatory Affairs, CropLife America, Washington, D.C.
- Julius Schaaf, Vice Chairman of the U.S. Grains Council, Randolph, IA

4:15p - 4:45p **Public Comment Portion**

- Participants must register to speak upon arriving at the hearing location. Remarks will be limited to three minutes each.

4:45p **Adjourn**

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