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To: Ted Eshkoff, Bert Gold, Bill Truaxten, Leo Nevas, Irving Levine, Gary Rubin, Steve Bayme

From: Marc Tanenbaum

Subject: Meeting with Chinese Scholar, Thursday, August 13, 3:30 p.m.

At the request of the USIA, I have arranged a meeting with Mr. Zhang Chengzhi of the Institute of Nationalities Affairs, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, for Thursday, August 13, at 3:30 p.m., in Room 800B.

Despite the short notice I hope you can attend. Please let Rita Reznik know.

MHT: RPP

[Handwritten note: Be sure to call the receptionist and tell him about great.]
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Mr. Zhang is a participant in the International Visitor Program sponsored by the United States Information Agency (USIA). He is travelling in the United States from July 27 - August 30, 1987. His USIA program officer is Ms. Amy Forrest (202) 485-7241. Mr. Robert J. Levy, Escort-Interpreter, is accompanying Mr. Zhang.

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1981, Department of History and Languages, National Minorities of Chinese Academy of Social Sciences 1975, History Department, Beijing University

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Council Member, Chinese Writers Association Chinese Society for Mongolian History Chinese History Society for Yuan Dynasty Chinese Society for Central Asian Culture

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DIETARY CONSIDERATIONS: No pork

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES: Mr. Zhang is a writer of fiction and a historian of Xinjiang, China's westernmost province. His program in the United States will add a new dimension to his fiction and depth to his work as an historian. He is interested in several areas of the United States and its multi-cultural society.

Religious life: Mr. Zhang is very interested in the life of American Jews, Catholics and Black Muslims. He would like to become familiar with their religious beliefs, their life style and the role each group plays in the larger society.

The American West: The beauty of the West, its history and social dimensions are of interest to Mr. Zhang as are the Native Americans living there. He would like to be introduced to American Indian culture and explore the desert and other wilderness areas.

Lastly, Mr. Zhang would like an introduction to life for those in the military. He would like to become familiar with some of the training requirements and the life style of those in the military, especially the Navy.