

President Chen Meets with US Ambassador

NSFC President Chen Yiyu met with Mr. Jon M. Huntsman, the new US Ambassador to China, on January 26, 2010. During the meeting, President Chen briefed the collaboration between NSF and NSFC and emphasized that the Sino-US science and technology collaboration is an important component of the bilateral relations and has been playing a key role in promoting the bilateral diplomatic relations. President Chen expressed his hope for a further improved China-US S&T relationship in Mr. Huntsman's tenure. Mr. Huntsman said that science and technology could solve a wide range of problems from human diseases to global change, and S&T collaboration between the two countries had made great contributions to the bilateral relations. He expressed his wish to attach more significance to science and technology, especially the cooperation between NSF and NSFC. President Chen and Mr. Huntsman also exchanged views on issues of clean energy development, energy utilization and transportation and public health.

Mr. Brent Christensen, US Science and Technology Counselor, Mr. Alexander P. DeAngelis, Director of NSF Beijing Office, Mr. Sun Bo, Senior Science and Technology Specialist of NSF Beijing Office, Prof. Han Yu, Director-General of the Policy Bureau, Dr. Chen Yongjun, Deputy Director-General of



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A group photo of Ambassador Huntsman, NSFC staff and US visitors

the Department of Chemical Sciences, Prof. Zheng Yonghe, Deputy Director-General of the Bureau of Planning, Ms. Bai Ge, Deputy Director-General of the Bureau of International Cooperation and Ms. Chen Huai, Division Director of the Bureau of International Cooperation, attended the meeting.