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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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Illinois Farm Bureau appreciates the long standing trade relationship of our two counties and we look to improve upon it. Taiwan is an important agriculture trading partner with the United States. We recognize your country is our 7th largest Ag export market.

Soybeans, corn, wheat, pork and beef are all products our farmers take pride in growing. Illinois agriculture is ready to deliver the imports your citizens desire. Illinois is consistently the number one or two state in the U.S. for corn and soybean production, 4th in the nation for pork production and 27th in cattle production.

Illinois has a number of competitive advantages including its superior transportation and infrastructure systems. Illinois is served by:

- More than 124,000 miles of local, county and state highways
- 7,000 railroad miles
- 1,118 miles of navigable waterways including the Illinois and Mississippi Rivers

All of these combine to make it easy and efficient to quickly transport Illinois agricultural commodities for export.

Illinois farmers would appreciate the opportunity to expand our trading relationship and ask for your consideration to purchase Illinois agricultural products. Taiwan stands to benefit from our high quality commodities, consistent high yields and our technological advances.

Illinois farmers value our trading relationship and are committed to improving it. We look forward to future trade arrangements that will mutually benefit our countries.

Sincerely,

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