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Dear Professor Chao:

My plans were rather abruptly changed on me and I went over to the Pacific Proving Grounds two weeks ago and have just returned. A few weeks hence, I am scheduled to go over to Europe for a meeting.

In consequence, I will not be able to visit Tsiang in June when President Mei is there, as I had hoped. I don't know how to reach him and I was wondering if you know his itinerary and would be good enough to let him know of my changed plans and that I very regretfully will not be able to visit Tsiang this summer.

I am leaving for Europe on the evening of June 6 and wonder if President Mei will return to the Pacific coast before that time. In that event, Mrs. Lawrence and I would like very much to give a little dinner for the Chao, Dr. Mei and a few others. If you can get in touch with Dr. Mei and let me know, I will be most appreciative.

Very cordially,

Ernest O. Lawrence

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