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Dear Professors Shen:

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I am writing to invite you to visit the MIT Isotope Lab in the Department of Earth, Atmospheric and Planetary Sciences at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) during the period January 28 to February 27, 2024. The purpose of this visit is to discuss the ongoing geologic research collaboration between our Lab and your research group at the Nanjing University. As before, we will review the ongoing geologic age determination work at MIT on key sedimentary successions in South and West China, which have been the subject of extensive stratigraphic and paleontological research by your group. In addition, we will discuss the plans and progress in establishing the International Joint Laboratory of Earth Life History and Carbon Cycling (LELHCC) at Nanjing University, to which the MIT Isotope Lab is a partner.

In the course of your visit, we will explore and identify areas of mutual research interest for our future collaboration. Your visit will also be an opportunity to meet and confer with other members of our Department with respect to collaborative research possibilities.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the logistics of this visit.

Sincerely yours

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