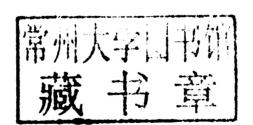


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UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

USA United States of America

USGS United States Geological Survey

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WWF World Wide Fund for Nature

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