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Dr. Hughes has also headed United States Delegations to the Eighth Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting and a Special Preparatory Meeting on

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