

Presentation to the Delegation from the  
Supervision and Inspection Department  
of the State Administration of Grain (SAG)  
of the People's Republic of China

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## My assignment . . .

“briefed on the following subjects:

- Highlights of the OAC’s studies and activities relating to grain marketing and outlook, governance and cooperatives;
- The work carried out by the OAC’s research group in the areas of grain distribution, management, storage, processing, quality control and relevant technological changes;”

## Logic of Presentation & How I Prepared for Presentation

- Learn about SAG and the Supervision and Inspection Department.
- Present an *overview* of agriculture in Ontario
- *Identify the skills and activities* that support its development.
- Relate those skills and activities to my assignment

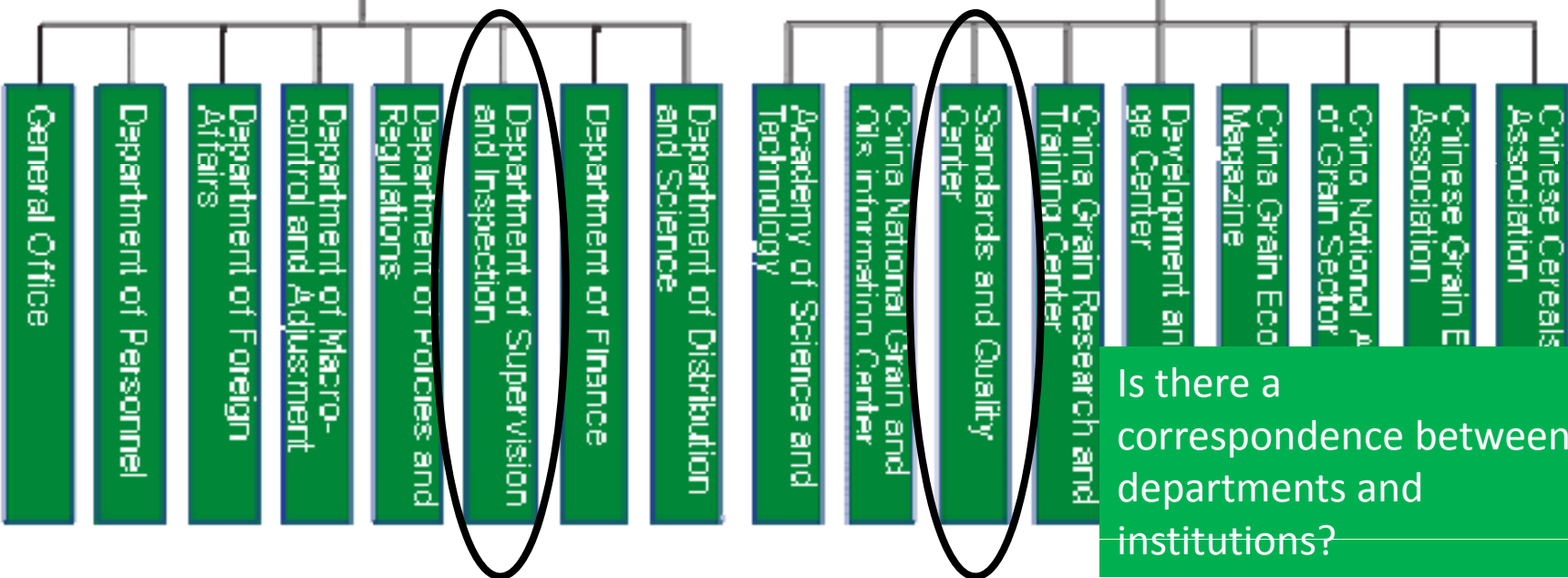
## I Learned that the Main Functions of the State Administration of Grain are

- to study and formulate . . . **strategies** of national grain macro-control, . . . and implement the programs for the reform of national **grain distribution system**.
- draft laws . . . , relevant **policies**, . . . grain distribution and national grain reserves management, . . . to formulate plans . . . **grain distribution, storage and processing**; . . . setting for grain . . . **price**.
- To standardize and manage the **quality** of grain products . .
- To . . . management of national grain distribution and **personnel training** . . . ; . . . **cooperation**; and **statistics**.
- To . . . **management** of national grain reserves . . . ; . . . **quality and security** of national grain reserves.

State Administration of Grain

Departments of the SAG

Institutions Directly under the SAG



Is there a correspondence between departments and institutions?



Where are we?

Ontario is a large province! That is, in terms of geographic area and in terms of population. But, the bulk of agriculture and of population are located in southwestern Ontario.

Over 57,000 farms in Ontario, sell more than \$10.3 billion.

Item	Mil. \$
Dairy products	\$ 1,766
Cattle and calves	\$ 857
Poultry	\$ 825
Hogs	\$ 711
Eggs	\$ 242
<b>Total Livestock</b>	<b>\$ 4,401</b>
Vegetables (including greenhouse)	\$ 1,061
Floriculture and nursery	\$ 753
Fruit	\$ 220
Potatoes	\$ 115
Dry beans	\$ 68
<b>Total Specialty</b>	<b>\$ 2,217</b>
Soybeans	\$ 1,032
Corn	\$ 805
Wheat	\$ 269
<b>Total Grains and Oilseeds</b>	<b>\$ 2,106</b>

## Three important characteristics:

- Production and marketing of high-value products. Policies, logistics and quality must reflect that orientation.
- Ontario agriculture is very dependent on trade! Both as an exporter of high-value plant and animal products, and as an importer of cereals and oilseeds. Quality management must reflect both domestic and international markets.
- Very high population density, particularly in a North American context. Producers sell services as well as products. Quality management and policies must consider environmental impacts and services.

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Agricultural policy analysis is a special area of expertise in FARE!

Ontario is a grain and oilseed importer and a livestock and vegetable product exporter!



Trade Negotiations  
 Competitiveness Domestic Policy  
 Plant and Animal Health  
 Developing Country Issues

Market Opportunities  
 Consumer Safety and Quality  
 Environment and Trade

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FARE has Guelph teaching responsibilities for operations management. And, within OAC for supporting research in value-added products.

Not directly related is a vigorous research program in food safety and the relationship of food and health.

- Highlights of the OAC's studies and activities relating to grain marketing and outlook, governance and cooperatives;

Skills and activities related to production, marketing and trade of high value products. Extensive experience and work on policy impacts.

- The work carried out by the OAC's research group in the areas of grain distribution, management, storage, processing, quality control and relevant technological changes.

Skills and activities related to quality control and management of agricultural and food products.