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CHy is planning to organize demand-driven courses on both manuals during 2010 and the years to come.

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