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JU LI comes from China, is a postgraduate, now is pursuing her master degree at Xinjiang University .This is the last year of her study. She was awarded the scholarship from Tokyo Foundation, form Japan 1n 2007. This foundation offered her an opportunity to go to the U.S. as a visiting scholar in the University of Oregon for two months. Her major is International Relations and she does research in the field of anti-terrorism, especially that of Pakistan and Afghanistan. She wants to do continue her research in future, the purpose is not only for the security and peace of Xinjiang Province of China, but that of South Asia as well.



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