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Co-operative Law for Farmers in China A Review of the Legislative Process

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China's agricultural sector is characterized by small-holder production. With the transition to a market economy and World Trade Organization membership, small farmers in China must shift from subsistence to commercial production. The experience of other countries indicates that farmers' co-operatives may provide an effective solution to their challenges. Until recently, however, there has been no legal framework to which they could refer for organizational assistance. The Chinese government took several years to draft the law and the National People's Congress (NPC) finally passed it in early November 06. Ms. Men will share her insights into the legislative process and the NPC's role in co-ordinating it.

▲ **Place: Co-op Studies Lounge, Diefenbaker Centre**
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