



“Introduction of industry trends and readiness of Lao PDR to catch up the megatrends and opportunities in agro-food processing sector”

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