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Title of the Manuscript:	PRE-SOIL EVALUATION FOR HEAVY METALS, AT THE PROPOSED DUMP-SITE IN NTAKE-INYANG ITAM, ITU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA, AKWA IBOM STATE, NIGERIA.
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