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Subject: Submission regarding Proposal P1007 - Primary Production & Processing Requirements For Raw

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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to you regarding the above proposal. When the final decision is made on this, I ask that the Food and Standards Australia New Zealand acknowledge and consider the following vital points:

- The Proposals exaggerate the risks of raw milk products. Raw milk has a superlative safety record compared to other foods, and even to pasteurized milk.
- The proposals do not address changes to Australian microbiological food Standards which are currently out of step with scientific studies and standards applied in overseas countries.
- The latest proposals will continue the current BAN on the production and sale of all Category 3 products from raw milk. This will include the sale of raw goats' milk currently allowed in some States and further tighten restrictions on raw drinking milk made from cow's milk. No evidence has been put forward as to a food safety justification of why this should be necessary.
- The proposals continue to prohibit farm-consumer sales which are a blatant denial of **our rights as consumers**.

Sincerely,

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