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Please find my submission in regards to the recently released proposals (P1007) to change Australian Food Standards for cheese in Australia. I think that raw milk and raw milk products should be allowed to be sold for consumption.

--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.

--I do not agree with the latest proposals continuing the current BAN on the production and sale of all Category 3 products from raw milk. This includes banning the sale of raw goats' milk currently allowed in some States and further tightening 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.

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