

E-mail from Deborah Kerr of Ricegrowers of 5 June 2007 re FTA study (in response to e-mail from Scott Mitchell, NFF, on 28 May 2007, seeking submissions or contributions to the study)

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Dear Adrian

Due to some other NFF responsibilities, I am not in a position at present to provide a submission on any possible Korea Australian FTA.

However, you should be aware that South Korea is an important market for the Australian rice industry (and is particularly a high value market). In saying this, the industry is cognisant that any outcome for rice is tenuous, particularly given the KORUS outcome on rice. Nevertheless, the industry feels that all and every effort should be given to ensure that rice is included in any FTA discussion and negotiation if this proceeds (similar to the Japan FTA where, as a principle, everything is on the table for discussion).

Should you require further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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