

COPY OF TELEGRAM SENT ON 21st July, 1983.

To W. J. STARICK,  
PRESIDENT, A.C.E.P.  
126 SOUTH TERRACE,  
ADELAIDE. S.A.

OUR ASSOCIATION HAS NOT SEEN B.A.E. REPORT. WE DEAL  
DIRECT WITH MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE. WITH OUR LIMITED  
KNOWLEDGE OF SAME, FEEL: NO CAUSE FOR ALARM AT THIS STAGE.

(SIGNED) K. FITZGIBBON,  
SECRETARY,  
C.E.P.A. of Victoria.

(cost \$10.52)

TO: MR. N. WHITE, SECRETARY, L.G.P.A.  
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RE: B.A.E. REPORT

AS A MATTER OF URGENCY PLEASE ARRANGE FOR APPROPRIATE PERSONS TO SPEAK WITH YOUR STATE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE THIS WEEK IN RELATION TO THE B.A.E. REPORT - A REVIEW OF EGG MARKETING ARRANGEMENTS IN AUSTRALIA.

IN DISCUSSIONS PLEASE TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE FOLLOWING:-

1. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT A.C.E.P. DOESN'T OVER REACT. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE B.A.E. MAY HAVE ALREADY MODIFIED THEIR VIEW SOMEWHAT.
2. IT IS A DISCUSSION PAPER AND IS BASED MAINLY ON ECONOMIC LINES. PERUSAL OF THE PAPER WILL DEMONSTRATE THAT SOCIAL AND POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS HAVE NOT BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. THE B.A.E. CONCEDES THIS POINT.
3. THE B.A.E. PAPER DOES HAVE SOME RELEVANCE IN TERMS OF ECONOMIC ARGUMENT. HOWEVER, MANY ARE BEING APPLIED BY THE INDUSTRY. IN N.S.W. FOR EXAMPLE THE NEW ACT WILL SEE SOME CHANGES ALONG THE LINES OF THE B.A.E. REPORT.

RM THE INDUSTRY CANNOT ADEQUATELY RESPOND TO THE REPORT WITHIN THE WEEK OR SO ALLOWED. EMPHASISE THAT THIS IS TOTALLY UNREASONABLE. A.C.E.P. COULD BE CONSIDERED NEGLIGENT IF IT PRESUMED TO BE ABLE TO GIVE A PROPERLY CONSIDERED RESPONSE IN ONE WEEK TO A REPORT PREPARED OVER SEVERAL MONTHS OF INVESTIGATION.

AGAIN IT IS EMPHASISED THAT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE S.C.A. WILL BE NEXT WEEK. CONTACT WITH DIRECTORS OF AGRICULTURE MUST BE THIS WEEK.

W.J. STARICK  
PRESIDENT - A.C.E.P.

CORRECTIONS: WHERE THE TELEX READS RM ON THE LEFT HAND SIDE OF THE PAPER, IT SHOULD READ 4. - THE INDUSTRY CANNOT ADEQUATELY .....