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Dear Sir,

I am writing this letter in the hope that you may realise the serious impact that imported pig meat is having on our industry.

We have a 200 sow piggery which we have just spent a lot of time and money having it accredited as Quality Assured, and therefore no we have meat equal to any pork in the world, and adhere to strick guidelines. Because we think it is of top priority that Australia need to keep their young farmers on the land our three sons chose to stay in the pig industry, which used to be viable when prices were at a reasonable level. To be able to sustain four families we intended to extend to a 500 sow unit, but because of the imports causing the prices to dramatically drop our proposed buildings have had to be put on hold. Because of this serious threat to our industry, we are unable to predict future prices and this seriously effects what our future will be.

I believe a temporary four year quota of some 5000 tonnes and an out of quota tariff of \$2/kg is essential to provide the time needed to make a more orderly adjustment and development of a more efficient, internationally competitive industry.

Yours sincerely

Rosemary Kelly.