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Case Managers
Trade Remedy and Investigation Bureau
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Dear Case Managers

Dumping investigation into exports of certain Australian wines to China – Submission

The following submission is made by Australian Grape and Wine Incorporated (**Australian Grape & Wine**), in relation to the possible 'sampling' of registered Australian exporters for investigation in the dumping investigation into exports of certain Australian wines to the People's Republic of China (**China**) being undertaken by the Ministry of Commerce (**MOFCOM**).

As the peak body for the Australian wine industry, Australian Grape & Wine would like to respectfully offer to MOFCOM its assistance in the sampling process. Australian Grape & Wine understands that, in the 'sampling' process, MOFCOM is not confined to the information contained in the registration forms of those who have registered. Consistent with WTO rules, MOFCOM may obtain and have regard to additional information concerning the Australian wine industry and Australian exporters of wine to China, and avail itself of additional resources that would assist in this process. As the peak industry association, Australian Grape & Wine is well-placed to provide such assistance and information.

MOFCOM may wish to avail itself of such assistance in the selection of Australian exporters whom it wishes to investigate and Australian Grape & Wine, of course, would be pleased to cooperate and provide such assistance. This also could include identifying any Australian exporters who have not yet made themselves known to MOFCOM through the registration process, but who may nevertheless wish to participate in the investigation. It is understood this is permissible and not precluded under WTO rules.

If MOFCOM elects to undertake a 'sampling' of Australian exporters to investigate in this dumping investigation, Australian Grape & Wine respectfully submits that the 'sample' selected should not be only those Australian exporters registered with MOFCOM with the 'largest volume' of the goods under consideration (**GUC**) exported to China from Australia during the period of investigation, as disclosed in the Tables in the completed registration forms, which would be the usual practice but also that it include a number of Australian exporters with lesser volumes of such exports and possibly from different regions in Australia and producing the different varieties of wines exported to China. This is to ensure an appropriate 'sample' of Australian exporters for investigation.



Australian Grape & Wine would be pleased to assist MOFCOM in this regard due to its extensive knowledge of the Australian wine industry, by providing any additional information concerning the Australian wine industry and the registered Australian exporters such as the varieties of wine they produce, where their vineyards are located in Australia, quantities sold in Australia and exported from Australia by them and by others, and similar information to supplement the information contained in the registration forms. Hopefully, this information would be of assistance to MOFCOM in the 'sampling' process.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony Battaglione', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Anthony Battaglione
Chief Executive Officer