

Transitional Deed Governance Group

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Communiqué

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Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr Hayes and Mr Silcock.

Matters discussed

The Transitional Deed Governance Group met in Auckland on 22 July 2014, immediately before attending the NZ Pork Deed signing event.

The substantial agenda focussed on setting the outcomes and agenda for the GIA Biosecurity Forum 2014/II in September and reviewing planning and reporting by the Secretariat.

With a view to maximising the value of the Forum to Signatories and potential Signatories, the TDGG agreed the following agenda items for discussion and work-shopping to move ahead with implementing the Deed:

- The GIA Response Guide
- Principles for cost sharing and fiscal caps
- Approaches for developing Operational Agreements
- Defining minimum commitments
- A range of new and emerging issues that will affect how the Deed will work

A pre-forum field visit to MPI border operations is being planned and will conclude with an introduction on the GIA, the Deed and the Biosecurity System for industry organisations that may be starting to think about the biosecurity partnership.

The Forum will be as interactive as possible, and focus on generating options and opportunities for increased collaboration.

The TDGG considered a five year plan developed by the Secretariat, which identifies a number of actions in the Deed that are beyond its annual work plan. They agreed that it provides useful instruction for the Secretariat and will assist the transition of the GIA Manager. The plan will be reviewed annually.

The annual performance review of the GIA Secretariat was noted. The TDGG acknowledged the substantial contribution that the Secretariat has made to progress the implementation of GIA and the Deed during the last year.

The TDGG reviewed the Secretariat's quarterly report on its activities and noted the Secretariat update.

The TDGG will hold its next meeting immediately before the Forum. Mr Owen Symmans will be the TDGG member for NZ Pork.