

A submission in regards to the importation of meat from BSE infected and the impact it might have.

I am totally against the importation of meat from countries that have had BSE. From the readings that I have done it appears that BSE has a long incubation period and that people are still being diagnosed with nCJD and nvCJD many years after the BSE outbreak. How can we relax our regulations on importation when it appears that we are still learning about the effects and ramifications from this disease? Relaxing the regulations is an extremely foolhardy decision to make, in view of all the evidence that points to being more vigilant at our borders not less, to stop unwanted diseases and pests from entering our country and bringing devastating consequences.

I am absolutely disgusted with the Federal Labor Government for even thinking about this, let alone actually implementing it by the 1st of March without consulting the voters in this country, where is our democratic right.

Mr Rudd you have gone too far.

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