Government urged to aim high in TPP talks

The National Farmers’ Federation (NFF) has today restated the importance of a comprehensive and trade liberalising Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) agreement during the latest round of talks in Maui, Hawaii.

A successful TPP will enhance export opportunities for Australian farmers and rebalance the playing field in a region where approximately 70 percent of our total trade takes place.

While significant progress has been made to bridge the gap on a number of difficult issues, renewed commitment is required to bring the agreement to a timely close.

As talks advance, we join with other groups in urging Australian negotiators to hold to ambitious targets for the benefit of the broader Australian economy.

Focus is now on the Minister for Trade and Investment, Andrew Robb MP, representing the interests of Australian farmers on the global stage.

Creating new opportunities for Australian farmers in some of our most important markets cannot come soon enough.

- Brent Finlay, President, National Farmers’ Federation (NFF)

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