

China to remove the Antidumping (AD) and Countervailing Duties (CVD) imposed on Australian barley exports to China

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The Australian grains industry applauds China's decision to remove the Antidumping (AD) and Countervailing Duties (CVD) imposed on Australian barley exports to China.

Grain Trade Australia (GTA) CEO Pat O'Shannassy said "China's Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) have determined that due to a change in industry circumstances that lifting the AD and CVD duties would be in the public interest. In resuming the strong and mutually beneficial relationship between China's barley industry and Australia's, this announcement is a significant step forward".

"Australia has always been trying to resolve the barley dispute in the beneficial interests of both China and Australia, and respective industries. Australian industry has respected and engaged fully with the processes under the dispute, and we look forward to and naturally welcome such an amicable resolution" said O'Shannassy.

"China has historically had a very important export market for barley from Australia over many decades, with very strong customer relationships and considerable cooperation between industry partners in plant breeding and technical support to meet China's needs" added O'Shannassy.

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"We would expect the industry in China and Australia to positively respond, now this agreement has been reached between the respective Governments" said O'Shannassy.

Australian industry will also remain actively engaged with the other markets that have been importing Australian barley, at both a technical and commercial levelâ•• added Oâ••Shannassy.