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TOPIC: Food Processing Industry Strategy Group

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QUESTION No.: BI-107

Senator COLBECK - What is the state of progress on the Minister's announcement last year of a Food Processing Industry Strategy Group? How many times has it met, and what kind of practical results have been achieved since then?

ANSWER

The Food Processing Industry Strategy Group has met twice. The next meeting is on 15 August 2011.

The Food Processing Industry Strategy Group has agreed on a report structure and research methodology for its work in identifying the current strengths and weaknesses of the Australian processed food sector, and opportunities to innovate and expand the industry.