

**Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry**

**Question:** BA 01

**Division/Agency:** Biosecurity Australia

**Topic:** Chinese IRAs

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Williams asked:**

What Import Risk Assessments IRAs on Chinese products are currently under way?

**Answer:**

Biosecurity Australia (BA) has formally commenced import risk analyses (IRA's) under the regulated process, on the following products from China:

- Fresh apple fruit
- Table grapes

The risk assessments for Chinese summerfruit and cherries are on BA's work plan for 2008-2009, but the commencement of these risk analyses have not been formally announced. Some preliminary work has commenced.