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# Australia without family farmers is not 'viable'

Right now, as a consequence of *political* decisions, many thousands of family farmers across Australia face immediate ruin:

600-1200 family farmers in WA's eastern wheat belt are under siege by the banks and both the state and federal governments, which are conspiring to starve the farmers of credit in order to force them off the land and/or privatise and sell their cooperative to foreign grain cartels.

Many hundreds of beef producers in northern Australia have been blindsided by the government's outright sabotage of their export markets, which has caused a glut of beef on the domestic market that has driven down the price of cattle from \$500-1000 per head, to as low as \$20, leaving hundreds bankrupt and suicidal.

Hundreds of both fruit growers and dairy farmers in northern Victoria are getting smashed by the government's policy of free trade, which is forcing the SPC Ardmona cannery in Shepparton to drastically reduce production, and has collapsed the price of milk way below the cost of production.

However, the government, which has caused these crises, is hammering the farmers with the message that they aren't "viable".

The CEC exposed in its June/July 2012 New Citizen newspaper that the number of genuine family farms in Australia as of 2010 hit the dangerously-low figure of 40,000, down sharply from 120,000 two decades earlier in 1991, and from 204,000 in 1953.

If the people of Australia tolerate their governments, of both major parties, continuing to aggressively drive family farmers out of agriculture—whether for reasons of free trade, banker-rationed finance, or green fascism (including that of the vegetarian militants who purport to speak for animals)—they face the very real prospect that their nation will not be viable.

The present crisis is a mortal threat to Australia's food security. Corporate agribusinesses would be lying in wait to acquire some of these farming operations, but they do not guarantee a nation's food security. Agribusinesses only produce when it suits their bottom line, and often on contract to global supply chains, regardless of domestic food needs. Only strong family farms that produce reliably, prioritise the domestic market and export surpluses, and nurture the land to pass on to future generations, guarantee a nation's food security.

The present crisis is also a threat to the global food supply. An estimated one billion people around the world go hungry every day, while the two sectors where family farmers are being smashed, wheat and beef, are Australia's two biggest agricultural exports.

Australia is the second largest wheat exporter after the U.S., and WA's wheat growers produce the majority of the Australian crop. The government is letting the banks destroy WA's growers, at a time when drought and freezing temperatures in the U.S. are expected to reduce that nation's 2013 winter crop by 25 per cent, and dry conditions are reducing wheat production in Russia, traditionally the world's third-largest wheat exporter.

Australia's live beef exports to Indonesia significantly increased the protein consumption of millions of low-income people in that nation. Australia's meat export markets in the Middle East include some of the nations where food shortages triggered the overthrow of national governments in 2011. Australia's self-inflicted crisis exacerbates a global shortage: U.S. beef production, which represents one-fifth of global output, is expected to fall sharply this year.

There is no reason for any presently struggling wheat grower, beef producer, fruit grower or dairy farmer to lose their farms. It is entirely within the government's power to immediately:

- declare a moratorium on farm foreclosures;
- order the banks to renegotiate farm debt at lower interest;
- establish a government agency for farmers to borrow at low interest to finance their crops and capital upgrades;
- impose tariffs on canned fruit imports, and announce penalties on Coles and Woolworths for further abusing their market dominance by sourcing fruit and vegetables from overseas that are produced domestically;
- establish government-to-government contracts with nations such as Indonesia, to resume the supply of beef, with our government guaranteeing both the supply to Indonesia, and the price to Australia's producers; such contracts should also be sought in the Middle East and Africa.

The only long-term solution, however, is that the government must enact a Glass-Steagall separation of essential banking services from speculative investment banking, so as to protect and prioritise credit for agricultural production. The government must then establish a national bank, owned and managed by the government, which will direct long-term credit into strengthening and expanding the nation's food production. This would include, for instance, investing in more domestic meat processing capacity, of which the present crisis has shown Australia to be woefully short.

Citizens Electoral Council leader Craig Isherwood declared today, "The decision before the government is not a business decision, it is a national interest decision. Any family farmers that are forced off the land by this crisis will be the clear victims of the government's deliberate intention, for which the government must be held to account.

"That is up to the Australian people," he continued. "If you understand the importance of family farmers to Australia's viability as a nation, and are willing to take responsibility to fight for the nation's future, join the CEC."

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# Hatred of people and industry, not science,

# is keeping starving cattle out of national parks

There is absolutely no scientific rationale behind Environment Minister Tony Burke's opposition to letting starving cattle into national parks to feed. As the Citizens Electoral Council exposed in its 2012 video

'Ecosystems': A Genocidal Fraud, the idea of the delicately-balanced ecosystem is a myth.

It is premised on British eugenicist Sir Arthur Tansley's loopy notion that living organisms, i.e. plants and animals, are merely machines, like wind-up clockwork mice, and that all of nature is mechanical.

(Tansley got this notion from when he had his head shrunk by Sigmund Freud, for dreams he was having about shooting his wife; Freud's psychoanalysis was premised on the human mind being just a machine.)

Tansley was an arch-Malthusian, hysterically antagonistic to the population-growth that accompanies advances in technology and industry.

It was this prejudice that shaped his entire theory of ecosystems: Tansley formulated a clockwork "balance of nature" that not only excluded human beings, but defined the natural process of human population growth as out of balance, to justify population reduction.

Tansley devoted the remainder of his life to population reduction, through the launch of the global green fascist movement with fellow eugenicist Sir Julian Huxley, starting in 1948 with the British Nature Conservancy and International Union for

Conservation of Nature and Resources (IUCN), and then the Royal Family's personal charity devoted to population reduction, the World Wildlife Fund (WWF).

In Australia, the green fascists in WWF-Australia, the Australian Conservation Foundation, the Australian Greens political party, the Wentworth Group of Quack Scientists, and Sustainable Population Australia, seek and destroy Australia's essential infrastructure and farming and manufacturing industries.

They are targeting the Australian population's very means of existence—the ability to source the water, power and food by which people live—in order to achieve their stated goal of reducing the Australian population from its present 23 million to as few as 5 million.

The national parks in Queensland that are needed to feed drought-stricken cattle are mostly former cattle stations, which the green fascist juggernaut has forced out of production.

Letting the cattle into the national parks to feed is no threat to nature; it is only a threat to the agenda of green fascism.

All Australians should demand that Tony Burke stop blocking this sensible approach to alleviating the present drought crisis.

The bigger challenge is to defeat green fascism, and reverse the destruction it has wreaked on Australia's industries; to do that, join the CEC, which is leading the fight.

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