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**Submission to the Australia New Zealand Food Authority on Proposal 226  
Transitional Arrangements for Infant Formula Products**

The National Council of Women of New Zealand (NCWNZ) is an umbrella organisation representing 43 nationally organised societies. It has 34 branches spread throughout the country to which women from some 150 societies are affiliated.

The Consumer Affairs Committee of NCWNZ thanks ANZFA for submitting their proposals for Transitional Arrangements for Infant Formula products P226 and wish to make the following comments.

As outlined in **3.1 Background and Discussion** we understand “the standard will be finalised as soon as possible after the draft joint Code is adopted by the Ministerial Council”. We note that “ANZFA believes that all future decisions will be made without undue haste, and that this approach best serves the public health interest of a vulnerable population group”.

**3.2 Proposed Arrangement**

NCWNZ understands that the proposed arrangements “essentially mean that, irrespective of the introduction of the new joint Code, the status quo for infant formula applies, namely Standard R7 and other relevant provisions of the current Food Standards Code”.

NCWNZ agrees that “the provision for this outcome in the draft Transitional Standard as proposed in the Paper provides certainty and orderly transition”.

**Conclusion**

NCWNZ agrees with the Transitional Arrangements for Infant Formula Products as described in Proposal P226.

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