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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 22 October 2014 1:52 PM
To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Japanese delegation on New Plant Breeding Techniques [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Greetings [REDACTED]

Yes, we have been contacted by [REDACTED] directly but more than happy for you to coordinate the visit and itinerary.

The 8th (afternoon preferably) or 9th (morning or afternoon) of December should work for us. I am presuming the meeting with FSANZ would occur at our offices in Barton – let me know if this will be the case so I can arrange for a meeting room to be booked once we have settled on a date/time for the FSANZ visit.

Cheers
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 22 October 2014 11:35 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Japanese delegation on New Plant Breeding Techniques [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi [REDACTED]

Many thanks for the offer to coordinate the itinerary. We are available on both the 8th and 9th, but would prefer the mornings [REDACTED] is the primary OGTR contact person for this visit [REDACTED] and on matters related to new plant breeding technologies in general.

Cheers
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, 21 October 2014 11:07 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Japanese delegation on New Plant Breeding Techniques [SEC=No Protective Marking]

Hi [REDACTED]

Please see below an approach to CSIRO from the Japanese embassy to host a visit in early December of a Japanese scientific and bureaucratic delegation with interests in Novel Plant Breeding Techniques. They have indicated that they have made separate approaches to OGTR and FSANZ and have now requested us to try and coordinate visits. I am forwarding to you because of your interest and activities in relation to regulation of novel gene technologies. I am happy to be a contact point for coordinating the itinerary development between CSIRO, OGTR and FSANZ. Please let me know how you would like to handle your involvement in this.

Cheers
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 20 October 2014 5:00 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Japanese delegation on New Plant Breeding Techniques

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for the e-mail.

I have already contacted with OGTR and FSANZ on this matter.

I sent a similar e-mail to [REDACTED] on the same day.

If it's possible, I would like you to talk with OGTR and FSANZ people to allocate time slots (the morning of 8th, the afternoon of 8th, the morning of 9th and the afternoon of 9th) among 3 organizations. May I ask you to do this? If it's not possible, it's okay. Please tell me so.

I look forward to another response from you.

With best regards,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, October 19, 2014 6:45 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Japanese delegation on New Plant Breeding Techniques

Dear [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has forwarded your email to me as Director of the CSIRO Agriculture Flagship regarding the prospective delegation from Japan on New Plant Breeding Techniques on the 8/9th of December. We would be happy to host the delegation and to provide some presentations and discussion on CSIRO's approaches to modern plant breeding, particularly applications of genomics and phenomics as well as GM technology. Unfortunately I will be overseas on these dates but will arrange for a senior scientists to host the delegation.

Some of the topics that you mention would be best discussed with representatives of the Australian Governments regulatory bodies such as the Office of the Gene Technology Regulator (OGTR) for GM technology and the Food Standards Australia and New Zealand (FSANZ) for food safety aspects. If you would like contact details for these agencies please let me know.

I look forward to further discussing the visit and program with you

Yours sincerely

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 16 October 2014 6:49 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Japanese delegation on New Plant Breeding Techniques

Dear [REDACTED]

Good evening.

This is my first time to send you an e-mail. And if this e-mail should go to another person in CSIRO, please transfer this e-mail to that person.

In December, a Japanese delegation will come to Canberra having the theme of "New Plant Breeding Techniques".

They would like to meet appropriate scholars/researchers in CSIRO.

Could you please arrange the meeting of about 90 to 120 minutes?

The delegation will consist of;

Dr. Masashi Tachikawa Ph.D. Professor, College of Agriculture, Department of Regional and Environmental Science, Ibaraki University Mr. Yukihiro Fukase Deputy Director, Research Policy Planning Division, Biotechnology Safety Office, Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Research Council Secretariat, MAFF And probably one more.

The topics will be ;

i) Consideration on regulatory decisions concerning New Plant Breeding Techniques (NPBTs)

ii) Scientific views on risk/safety assessment on products derived from NPBTs

iii) Evaluation on the two reports related to NPBTs from the Workshops hosted by Food Standards Australia New Zealand

iv) Necessity of international harmonization of regulatory oversight in New Plant Breeding Techniques

(Discussion in the OECD Working Group on the Harmonisation of Regulatory Oversight in Biotechnology)


v) Situation of research and development concerning NPBTs and GM

The dates are;

Either December 8th or 9th.

I thank you in advance and look forward to your positive response.

With best regards,



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