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The C. C. O.
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Dear Sir,

I am writing to ask why Biosecurity has decided to allow New Zealand apples into Australia. My late husband who was an orchardist in New Zealand before coming to Australia knew well the devastation that fire blight has caused in the fruit industry there.

Recently on the radio, I heard a listener ask why Australia would not import bananas because of the high price here. The reply was, that the overseas countries have diseases which are not here, so we will not import any. Surely the same reply should apply to New Zealand apples.

I do wish the powers that be would really take the agriculture and manufacturing industries of Australia to heart and stick up for them, as in the future I can see our country being foreign owned and commodities imported.

I am not the only person who thinks this way. WHY?

Yours faithfully

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