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Recap of Day 1 Activities and Outcomes

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on Food Safety Modernisation
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A successful Day 1

- Thanks to PNG for the excellent support including the cocktail in the evening
- Mr Pasco Kase's opening speech was well received. It described the significance of this piece of Australian led APEC work, and its value to APEC economies
- The photographer did an outstanding job
- The 5 presentations delivered in the morning were well received. We thank Camille Brewer from US FDA, Pablo Jenkins of WTO's STDF, Bruce Burdon of New Zealand MPI and Peter Hoejko of WHO's WPRO for the excellent presentations on some of the key principles behind of this Framework



A successful Day 1

- The group activities on the three featured issues were well conducted, economies were actively involved in the plenary discussion which clarified our approach to the issues raised
- The proposal for "inclusion of an integrated domestic food safety administration system" in the Framework was supported
- With further clarification on the purpose and scope of the Framework, it was agreed that the Framework should be about "food safety regulatory system" only
- The meeting agreed that while "fraudulent and deceptive conduct" in this Framework refers to matters of food safety nature, however, the Framework should point out the importance of "fraudulent and deceptive conduct" of non-food safety nature because such matters jeopardise consumer confidence on the food safety regulatory system, and impact negatively on trade



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