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## **AHC Proposed Terms of Reference**

Conduct an inquiry into the Australian hemp industry considering issues, barriers and opportunities with reference to:

Investigate potential industry contribution to agriculture and the economy with changes in legislation and regulatory constraints allowing for the principle of whole of plant use. To be covered within the industry sectors including:

- 1. Food
- 2. Fibre, in particular the building industry.
- 3. Fodder
- 4. Extracts
- 5. Carbon

Investigate ways government support for research can be provided to accelerate technical development and application to the Australian hemp industry.

Investigate how hemp can contribute to Sustainable Australian Industry Policy in areas such as:

- 1. Australian Farming Systems
- 2. Australian Manufacturing
- 3. Australian made products for both domestic and export markets.
- 4. Applications to circular economy and sustainable products

Investigate foreign government strategies which enhance the value of the hemp industries to their respective economies.

Investigate the benefits to our economy of the establishment of nationally dedicated hemp legislation

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