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Foreword

The Committee echoes the sentiments of the Parliament of Australia in expressing their condolences to the families and loved ones of the victims of the downing of Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 and pays tribute to the dedicated Australian personnel who continue to work so hard to bring the victims' remains home and investigate the cause of the incident.

The Committee acknowledges the tragic and difficult circumstances under which Australian personnel have been deployed to the Netherlands in response to the downing of Malaysia Airlines flight MH17.

The Committee understands that prompt action was required to allow the deployment of Australian personnel to take place without delay and ensure that the legal framework was in place to enable this sensitive and important work to be undertaken. The Committee supports the Treaty and is satisfied that, in this case, there was justification to invoke the National Interest Exemption which allows binding treaty action to be taken before a treaty has been considered and reported on by the Committee.

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- b) any question relating to a treaty or other international instrument, whether or not negotiated to completion, referred to the committee by:
 - (i) either House of the Parliament, or
 - (ii) a Minister; and

such other matters as may be referred to the committee by the Minister for Foreign Affairs and on such conditions as the Minister may prescribe.



List of abbreviations

JSCOT	Joint Standing Committee on Treaties
NIA	National Interest Analysis
NIE	National Interest Exemption
RIS	Regulation Impact Statement
TUE	Therapeutic Use Exemption

