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## Indonesia and Hong Kong free trade agreements ready for review

Major free trade agreements with Hong Kong and Indonesia will be considered by Parliament's Treaties Committee in coming weeks.

"We have vital trade and commercial interests at stake with Indonesia and Hong Kong, and these agreements will help Australian business capitalise fully on these commercial relationships," said Committee Chair and Member for Wentworth, Mr Dave Sharma MP.

Both agreements were signed several months ago, and tabled just before the Parliament dissolved prior to the federal election in May. Neither agreement will enter into force until the Committee has had the opportunity to review and report.

"This is the first opportunity the Committee has had to look at these treaties since they were signed," said Mr Sharma, "and given the passage of time, we hope to hear from people as soon as possible".

**Submissions for both inquiries close on 23 August 2019.** Further details on venues and dates for the public hearings will be available on the Committee's website as they are finalised.

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