Chair: Mr Luke Hartsuyker MP

Extradition and aviation

Extradition arrangements between China and Australia will be examined by the <u>Joint Standing</u> <u>Committee on Treaties</u> on Monday, as well as a review of an agreement to expand access to the United States (US) aviation market for Australian companies.

Committee Chair Luke Hartsuyker MP said that the China-Australia extradition treaty will allow the exchange of offenders between the two countries.

"The treaty sits within Australia's existing extradition regime and contains a number of safeguards to protect the human rights of individuals extradited to either country," Mr Hartsuyker said.

"Australia has 39 bilateral extradition treaties with other countries such as this one, which foster cooperation on law enforcement internationally."

Mr Hartsuyker said the US air safety treaty provides greater access to the US aviation market for design and manufacturing businesses in the Australian aviation industry.

"The US is one of the biggest aviation markets in the world and this agreement will substantially increase export opportunities for Australian businesses and is expected to provide significant financial benefits," Mr Hartsuyker said.

"The agreement will also increase Australia's limited access to the US aviation market, broadening the range of aircraft types that it can supply with parts and products."

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Monday, 2 May – Committee Room 1R5, Parliament House, Canberra

11.15am Implementation Procedures for Airworthiness between the Government

of Australia and the Government of the United States of America

11.45am Treaty on Extradition between Australia and the People's Republic of

China

1.00pm Close

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