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### Joint Standing Committee on Treaties

Public hearing

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## Final TPP Hearing

The Parliament's Treaties Committee will hear from Government witnesses at the final hearing into the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) on Monday Morning in Canberra.

Committee Chair, the Hon Stuart Robert MP, says the Committee will hear the Government's response to the range of issues raised during the inquiry.

"While there is broad support for the genuine benefits the TPP will bring, participants in the inquiry have criticised aspects of the Agreement."

"Contentious issues include the Investor State Dispute Settlement mechanism, aspects of Australian intellectual property law, the temporary entry provisions for professionals, and the transparency of the negotiation process."

"Government witnesses are expected to address these and other issues during the hearing."

The Committee's report on the TPP will be tabled before the end of the year.

During the hearing, the Committee will also be taking evidence on the Partial Revision of the 2012 Radio Regulations.

Mr Robert says people interested in the Committee's inquiries can visit the Treaties Committee's [website](#) for further information.

Public Hearing: Monday 7 November 2016, Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

8.10 am      **Radio Regulations – Partial Revision**  
Department of Communications and the Arts  
Australian Communications and Media Authority

8.30 am      **Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement**  
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade  
IP Australia  
Department of Health  
Department of Immigration and Border Protection  
Department of Agriculture and Water Resources  
Attorney-General's Department  
Department of Communications  
Department of Employment  
Department of Finance



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Department of Industry, Innovation and Science  
The Treasury

More detailed programs for the hearings, including witnesses, are available from the Committee website.

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