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Social Security Agreement – Croatia

Pollution by hazardous and noxious substances

Employment of dependants of diplomatic and consular personnel – Belgium

Working holiday arrangements – Belgium

Bougainville Transition Team

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Resolution of Appointment

The Resolution of Appointment of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties allows it to inquire into and report on:

- a) matters arising from treaties and related National interest Analysis and proposed treaty actions presented or deemed to be presented to the Parliament,
- 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
- c) 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

AMSA	Australian Maritime Safety Authority
AusAID	Australian Agency for International Development
BTT	Bougainville Transition Team
DIMA	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs
DFAT	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
EU	European Union
FY	Financial year
HNS	Hazardous and noxious substance
IMO	International Maritime Organization
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NGO	Non-government organisation
NIA	National Interest Analysis
PMG	Peace Monitoring Group
PNG	Papua New Guinea
RHCA	Reciprocal Health Care Agreement

TMG Truce Monitoring Group

WHM Working Holiday Maker



List of recommendations

Social Security Agreement with Croatia

Recommendation 1

The Committee supports the proposed *Agreement with Croatia on Social Security* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

Protocol on pollution incidents by hazardous and noxious substances

Recommendation 2

The Committee supports the *Protocol on Preparedness, Response and Co-operation to Pollution Incidents by Hazardous and Noxious Substances 2000* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

Agreement with Belgium on the Gainful Employment of Certain Dependants of Diplomatic and Consular Personnel

Recommendation 3

The Committee supports the *Agreement between Australia and the Kingdom of Belgium on the Gainful Employment of Certain Dependants of Diplomatic and Consular Personnel* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

Agreement with Belgium on 'working holiday' arrangements

Recommendation 4

The Committee supports the *Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium on 'Working Holiday' Arrangements* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

