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## **Treaties tabled on 6, 7 and 27 February 2007**

Treaty between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste on Certain Maritime Arrangements in the Timor Sea, done at Sydney on 12 January 2006

Agreement between Australia and the Swiss Confederation on Social Security (Canberra, 9 October 2006)

Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of Finland for the Avoidance of Double Taxation with respect to Taxes on Income and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion, and Protocol done at Melbourne on 20 November 2006

Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Korea on the Protection of Migratory Birds and Exchange of Notes Canberra, 6 December 2006

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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 upon:

- a) matters arising from treaties and related National Interest Analyses 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

ATCM	Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting
ATO	Australian Taxation Office
CAMBA	China - Australia Migratory Bird Agreement
CMATS	Certain Maritime Arrangements in the Timor Sea
CMS	Convention on Migratory Species
Cth	Commonwealth
DEWR	Department of Environment and Water Resources
DFAT	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
EPBC	Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Act
ETAN	East Timor and Indonesia Action Network
IUA	International Unitisation Agreement
JAMBA	Japan - Australia Migratory Bird Agreement
JPDA	Joint Petroleum Development Area
JSCOT	Joint Standing Committee on Treaties
MFN	Most Favoured Nation
NIA	National Interest Analysis

NIE	National Interest Exemption
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
ROKAMBA	Republic of Korea - Australia Migratory Bird Agreement
SCAR	Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research
UK	United Kingdom
UNCLOS	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNTAET	United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor
US	United States
WHT	Withholding Taxation



## List of recommendations

### **2 Social Security Agreement with the Swiss Confederation**

#### **Recommendation 1**

The Committee supports the *Agreement on Social Security between the Government of Australia and the Swiss Confederation* (Canberra, 9 October 2006) and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

### **3 Agreement between Australia and Finland on the Avoidance of Double Taxation**

#### **Recommendation 2**

The Committee supports the *Agreement between Australia and Finland on the Avoidance of Double Taxation* done at Melbourne on 20 November 2006 and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

### **4 Agreement between Australia and the Republic of Korea on the Protection of Migratory Birds**

#### **Recommendation 3**

The Committee supports the *Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Korea on the Protection of Migratory Birds* (Canberra, 6 December 2006) and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

## 5 Measure 4 (2006) Specially Protected Species: Fur Seals

### Recommendation 4

The Committee supports *Measure 4 (2006) Specially Protected Species: Fur Seals* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

