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 - (ii) a Minister; or
 - (iii) 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

AIIB Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank

BIE The Bureau International des Expositions

DFAT Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

NIA National Interest Analysis

RIS Regulation Impact Statement

List of recommendations

2 Australia's Denunciation of the Convention Relating to International Exhibitions and Protocol of Signature

Recommendation 1

The Committee supports Australia's denunciation of the *Convention relating to International Exhibitions and Protocol of Signature* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

3 Australia's ratification of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank Articles of Agreement

Recommendation 2

The Committee supports Australia's ratification of the *Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank Articles of Agreement* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.