



Friday 13 September 2019

## A flourish of treaty activity

[The Joint Standing Committee on Treaties](#) will be holding public hearings on Monday 16 September 2019 into three treaties: Investments with Uruguay; the ISDS-UN Convention; and Double Taxation with Israel.

[Committee Chair Mr Dave Sharma MP](#) says the hearings will be an opportunity for the Committee to examine increased transparency mechanisms as well as procedural safeguards for Investor-State dispute settlements.

The Committee will also review the details of the treaty to eliminate double taxation between Australia and Israel.

“This review fulfils the Australian Government’s request to expedite consideration of the treaty, which proposes to promote closer economic cooperation between Australia and Israel by reducing and clarifying taxation obligations,” Mr Sharma said.

The Committee will hear from witnesses from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Treasury and other relevant government agencies.

### Public hearing details

Date: Monday, 16 September 2019

Location: Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House

#### **Investments-Uruguay**

11:00am to 11:45am

#### **ISDS-UN Convention**

1:45am to 12:30pm

#### **Double Taxation-Israel**

12:30pm to 1:00pm

The hearing will be broadcast live at [aph.gov.au/live](http://aph.gov.au/live).

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