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I would like to voice my concern about the sale of our land to foreign nationals and governments. I believe you should have to be a citizen or permanent resident to own land, as you would have to be in most other places in the world.

The amassing of large amounts of farming land, in the hands of foreign ownership is of great concern. The vast amounts of farm produce, that will leave our shores, without contributing to the economy is bad enough, but even more concerning, is the sale of some of the most valuable and productive land in the world, (e.g. Liverpool Plains, Darling Downs), to foreign companies and governments, that have already been approved, by Australian governments, for open cut mining.

2/3 of NSW has permits for mining exploration. This will result in the loss of this prime agricultural land FOREVER!

I do not understand why the Australian government is hell bent on destroying the very fabric of our society and the future health and prosperity of its people.

If our land is to be sold to mining companies, then there should, at the very least, be a caveat- that the land can be mined, <u>only</u> if the company can <u>guarantee</u>, that there will be no alteration or damage to the land or water.

as in Merchant of Venice: This bond doth give thee here no jot of blood; The words expressly are, a pound of flesh. Take then thy bond, take thou thy pound of flesh; But, in the cutting it, if thou dost shed One drop of Christian blood, thy lands and goods Are by the laws of Venice confiscate Unto the state of Venice.

Take the minerals, but not one part of the land, (or water) should be damaged!

Stop this, before it is too late. Please represent my view, and the view of the citizens of Australia

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