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- a) matters arising from treaties and related National Interest Analyses and proposed treaty actions and related Explanatory Statements 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

ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations
DFAT	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
EAS	East Asia Summit
EU	European Union
FaHCSIA	Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
FTA	Free Trade Agreement
ITP	International Transfer of Prisoners
NIA	National Interest Analysis
PRC	People's Republic of China
RIS	Regulation Impact Statement
SAFTA	Singapore-Australia Free Trade Agreement

# List of recommendations

# 2 Agreement between Australia and the Slovak Republic on Social Security

### **Recommendation 1**

The Committee supports the *Agreement between Australia and the Slovak Republic on Social Security* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

# 3 Third Protocol Amending the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia

## **Recommendation 2**

The Committee supports the *Third Protocol Amending the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia* and recommends binding treaty action be taken.

# 4 Treaty between Australia and the People's Republic of China concerning the Transfer of Sentenced Persons

## **Recommendation 3**

The Committee supports the *Treaty between Australia and the People's Republic of China concerning the Transfer of Sentenced Persons* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

# 5 Amendments to the Singapore–Australia Free Trade Agreement

## **Recommendation 4**

The Committee supports the *Amendments to Singapore–Australia Free Trade Agreement* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

# 6 Agreement with the Republic of South Africa Concerning the Co-production of Films

## **Recommendation 5**

The Committee supports the *Agreement with the Republic of South Africa Concerning the Co-Production of Films* and recommends that binding treaty action be taken.

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