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Legislation and regulations

Current
1. *Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Act 1975* (Act No. 92 of 1975 as amended: see Appendix D)

2. *Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Regulations 1989* (Statutory Rules No. 177 of 1989 as amended: see Appendix E)

3. *Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers (Notices) Regulations* (Statutory Rules No. 226 of 1975 as amended: see Appendix E)

Historical

Media releases and policy statements

5. Statement by the Treasurer, The Hon Peter Costello MP — BHP Billiton Group — No objections raised to the acquisition of WMC Resources Limited, subject to conditions — 4 April 2005.
7. Statement by the Treasurer, The Hon Peter Costello MP — Village Roadshow Limited — seeking information from parties who have acquired shares in Village Roadshow Limited on behalf of a number of foreign investors, including interests held by Swiss nominee banks — 9 February 2004.
10. Statement by the Treasurer, The Hon Peter Costello MP — Xstrata Plc — No objections raised to the Acquisition of MIM Holdings Ltd — 28 May 2003.
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20. Statement by the Assistant Treasurer, Senator The Hon Rod Kemp — Virgin receives Foreign Investment Approval — 7 December 1999.


27. Statement by the Assistant Treasurer, Senator The Hon Rod Kemp — Foreign Investment Policy: Forced Divestiture of Residential Real Estate involving Australian Trustee — 11 December 1996.


30. Statement by the Treasurer, The Hon Ralph Willis MP — Government Response to the Reports by the Senate Select Committee on Certain Aspects of Foreign Ownership Decisions in Relation to the Print Media — 26 September 1995.


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Publications

• Foreign Investment Review Board annual reports: 1977 to 2005.

• Guidelines relating to Australia’s foreign investment policy:
  − General Summary;
  − Urban Land;
  − Primary Production Businesses and Rural Land;
  − Off-the-plan; and
  − Integrated Tourism Resorts.

• Application forms (December 2004) :
  − C1 — Application for approval to purchase residential real estate by a company or a trust;
  − D2 — Application by vendor/developers for prior approval to sell up to 50 per cent of residential dwellings in a new complex; and
  − R3 — Application for approval to purchase residential real estate in individual names.

• Statutory notices:
  − Form 1 — Notice under section 25;
  − Form 2 — Notice under section 26; and
  − Form 3 — Notice under section 26A.

• FIRB service charter.

• Buying a home in Australia (pamphlet: September 2003).

• Advanced off-the-plan sales reporting template for developers (January 2006).

The current versions of guidelines, application forms, statutory notices and the FIRB service charter, as well as annual reports (from 1996), are available on the Foreign Investment Review Board’s website at www.firb.gov.au.

The residential real estate C1 and R3 application forms may be filled in online through the Foreign Investment Online Application system (FIOLA). The relevant form and section 26A statutory notice must be printed, signed and forwarded with supporting documentation via email, fax or post (see Appendix G). The 30-day statutory examination period commences upon receipt of the valid statutory notice.