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New and updated commentary has been provided by Marcus Clark and Andrew Wong.

New Developments

Chapter has been updated to include key events since the previous update to this publication.

#### Practical Considerations for Lawyers

The following paragraphs have been amended:

- [6.60] No objection notifications issuance
- [6.284] National security

## FIRB Guidance Notes and Other Policy Materials

The following paragraphs have been amended:

- Guidance 3 Agricultural land, at [24.GN3]
- Guidance 4 Commercial land, at [24.GN4]
- Guidance 5 Mining, at [24.GN5]
- Guidance 7 Business investments, at [24.GN7]
- Guidance 10 Fees on Foreign Investment Applications, at [24.GN10]
- Guidance 14 Compliance and Penalties with Respect to Residential Land, at
   [24.GN14]

#### Application of FATA to Specific Transactions and Investors

The following paragraphs have been amended:

- [4.20] Direct acquisitions of shares in Australian companies by foreign persons
- [4.30] Restrictions on share disposals in shareholders agreements

- [4.40] Share capital reductions and share buy-backs
- [4.50] Direct acquisitions of shares in Australian companies by foreign government investors
- [4.60] Indirect acquisitions of shares in Australian companies by foreign persons
- [4.70] Acquisition of a direct interest in an agribusiness and of an interest in a share in an agricultural land corporation by foreign persons.
- [4.80] Acquisition of an interest in residential land by a foreign person and the moneylending exemption
- [4.90] Acquisition of developed commercial property from government
- [4.100] Acquisitions of securities in Australian land entities
- [4.110] Acquisition of direct interest in an entity carrying on a national security business?

### Key principles of FATA

The following paragraphs have been amended:

- [3.10] Scheme of FATA and FATR
- [3.120] Corporations
- [3.140] Foreign government investors
- [3.150] General partners in limited partnerships
- [3.230] Partners
- [3.280] Foreign government investors