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Development of a national foreign ownership register for agricultural land

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Good Morning I would like to register my annoyance at the way this country allows foreign ownership to proceed unabated. I have always worked in the Agricultural Industry, yet now days we see our young people leaving the land in droves because they cant get a start in agriculture. Farms need to be run by farmers not multi-nationals!. The Chinese are taking over agricultural land by stealth. They can spend over 200 million before any alarm bells ring in any government agency?. They then simply change the Company name and continue on buying!. The politicians say its only 2% of our land being taken up by foreigners but it is the best 2%!!, as well as water and infrastructure. How much land could I go and buy in China?. They are buying the land which they will then run with chinese workers, loaded on to their trains, moved to their wharfs, a sent back to China to feed their people. How does Australia benefit from this arrangement?. The Government needs to help and subsidise young Australians with agricultural knowledge onto our farms to produce food for Australians first then to export ,again to benefit all Australians. We as a country wouldnt need to attract so much foreign \$ if more of Australians PAYE tax went to infrastructure development rather than paid out to endless welfare. Any money spent in Australia by foreigners should be investigated no matter what the dollar amount, and Australian assets should stay with Australians. Thank you.