
Seizure: Government and the Nationalization of Corporate Assets

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In recent years foreign direct investment in developing nations has come under threat by government policies seeking to expropriate or nationalize the assets of foreign corporations. A variety of political and economic motivations have given rise to expropriation activities. This paper examines both the political, economic and legal basis underpinning these expropriation activities and outlines a corporate risk management strategy designed to confront these emerging political/economic threats.

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