



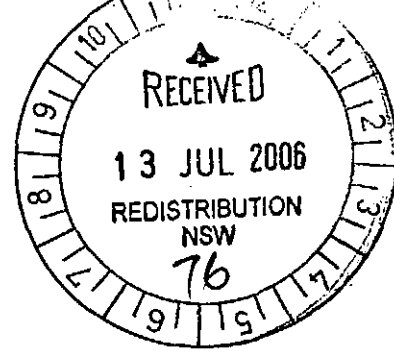
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Redistribution Committee for NSW
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Dear members of the redistribution committee,

I am writing to object strongly to the abolition of the Gwydir electorate, in the proposed redistribution of Federal Electorate boundaries in New South Wales.

The sheer size of the electorate would make it extremely difficult for one elected representative to adequately serve everyone in the diverse electorate. It seems to me that yet again country people are having their rights and services taken away from them. If we do not have enough representatives in parliament we will never have a strong voice to lobby for the services we are entitled to, i.e. health, education and roads.

I feel that electorates in Sydney, although they have more people, have a smaller area and a common purpose and should be amalgamated, leaving the rural areas with a voice. Narrabri, Moree and Gunnedah are the richest primary production areas in New South Wales and we need a voice to make sure that primary production continues.

I ask you to please reconsider your decision to abolish the Gwydir electorate.

Yours sincerely

Michele Radford (Mrs.)