



The Federal Redistribution 2009
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Objection Number 34

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From: Tom More [tomandjo49@aapt.net.au]
Sent: Friday, 7 August 2009 9:46 AM
To: QLD Redistribution
Subject: RE: Redistribution of Herbert/ Dawson

Dear Persons

I am currently in the electorate of Dawson having been punted from Herbert on your last dalliance with the electoral boundaries. Now I appreciate that you really don't give a toss about my vote or

my right to representation but what your are proposing this time is a further erosion of the rights of an even bigger percentage of Townsville residents to less representation.

If I may indulge you in a little geography you expect me to drive the equivalent distance of Brisbane to Bundaberg, Sydney to Dubbo, Melbourne to Bordertown or Canberra to Cooma ONE WAY to

see my "LOCAL" member? This I believe is totally unreasonable.

Instead of attempting to divide the Coastal areas in a north , south manner why can't you look westwards and include the Western areas in with the coastal areas. My understanding with regional

areas is that most of the services are centered on the LARGER towns. I hope that you accept that Townsville is Queensland's SECOND biggest city and therefore north Queenslanders are used to

travelling TO the bigger centre's. However your proposal reverses that and you want the masses to travel AWAY from the larger centre's!

In time Townsville will be split again into a possible north and south therefore to minimize changes, until that time, any proposed changes should be linked to the "bigger picture"(future)? To link

Charters Towers, Ayr ,Home Hill or Ingham in with a Townsville electorate would cause lesser reaction as the residents are used to travelling to Townsville for other everyday business. The "local"

member would be more accessible to his electorate? Have you taken Into account the relocation of the 3rd Battalion which involves the influx of an ADDED 1,000 troops PLUS family PLUS the support

staff.

Whilst I won't be holding my breath, I would hope that you do reconsider your proposed changes with a view to adding some intelligence to them and listening to the views of the electorate,

for once.

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