



The Federal Redistribution 2009
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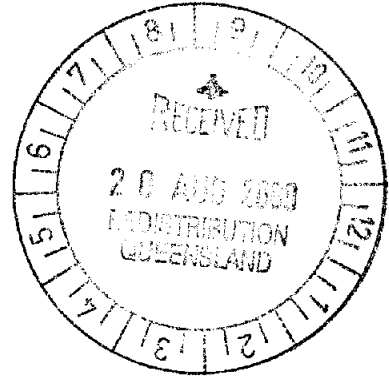


Objection Number 426

Gerhardus du Plessis

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4th August, 2009



The Australian Electoral Commission
GPO Box 2590
Brisbane QLD 4001

Dear Australian Electoral Commissioner,

I am writing to you in relation to the proposed redistribution in the seat of Herbert.

I wish to lodge an objection to these proposed changes which would see significant parts of Townsville become a part of the division of Dawson.

These are the reasons for my objection.

I believe that it is not possible to represent the interests of electorates 400km apart. If the candidate is known in the Mackay region it is very unlikely that he/she will also be known in Townsville. This will lead to a situation of voting purely for a political party and not for a specific candidate. This will give me ~~no~~ no confidence that the candidate will not put the interest of voters living in Mackay above that of voters in ~~Townsville~~ ~~Mackay~~ if the majority of voters are from Mackay.

Yours sincerely,

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Signature: 