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*To preserve the material history and celebrate the human achievement
of the iconic Australian airline; **Telling the Story of Qantas**
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Mr Ed Killesteyn
The Electoral Commissioner
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By email; qld.redistribution@aec.gov.au

Dear Sir,
Re electoral redistributions request 26 Mar 2009

Qantas Foundation Memorial Ltd (QFM) is the holding trust company of Qantas Founders Outback Museum P/L (QFOM) at Longreach and is an independent company with significant projects funded by Federal, State and Local Governments as well as public companies and private individuals. QFOM is a \$20m+ installation and attraction and brings in many millions of dollars to the district and employs approximately 30 people locally. While it is a not for profit organization it operates in a positive financial manner.

It has been in business since 1996.

Considerable expansion is planned leading up to the Centenary of Qantas in 2020.

Longreach is the centre of a thriving community and with Winton and Barcaldine the area is the destination or start point of a growing number of tourists.

For continued investment and sustainability the combined area must have good and effective representation, more so than its population would seem to warrant from a strictly numbers point of view.

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Some points I would note regarding the area, are;

- The high productivity of the pastoral industry and its needs.
- The high and increasing visitation by tourists from all over Australia and now the world.
- The considerable government funding invested in the area.
- The ongoing requirement for increasing government infrastructure.
- The contribution being made by companies and individuals for the economic expansion of the area.
- Enhancing the area's attractiveness to encourage people to move permanently into it but even more importantly making the appeal such that the young are willing to stay.
- The extraordinary vastness and its effective representation.

For these reasons I would ask that the commission gives considerable thought and consideration to the area regarding how it can be effectively represented for its people but also for its visitors.

Yours faithfully

Warwick Tainton