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Redistribution Committee

After reading many of the well written submissions associated with redrawing the boundaries of the electoral divisions within the state of Victoria I offer the following two comments on the suggestions;

Transfers from the Division of Lalor

I note that 3 or 4 suggestions have been made that electors at the north west end of the Division of Lalor be transferred North to the either the division of Gorton or a possible new division. I believe the redistribution committee should discount this as an option on account that there is no association between these areas and there are currently very limited opportunities for people to commute between these localities. A number of other suggestions have been made which would result in the current excess of voters in the division of Lalor being distributed such they were included with areas they better associate with and which they can easily commute to.

Division of Corangamite

A number of suggestions have been made to relocate the Colac-Otway Local Government Area from the Division of Corangamite to the Division of Wannon. If this is to occur there will be NO association between the Division of Corangamite and Lake Coramgamite the area the Division is named after. It thus seems logical to look at renaming the Division of Corangamite to something more aligned with the area it now represents. The fact this is a federation division should NOT preclude it's renaming on account that it's basis of naming at Federation in no longer relevant to the division. I offer no suggestions re a name for the Division other than noting that a number of submitters have suggested that a Division be named after the late Malcolm Fraser. It would appear to me this could be an appropriate choice for this area on account of Malcolm Fraser's strong association with Victoria's western district with that area forming a component of the altered Division.

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