



**The Federal Redistribution 2006  
NEW SOUTH WALES**



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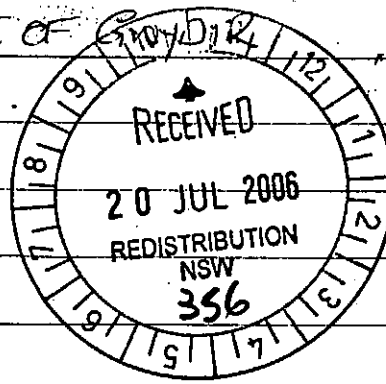
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DEAR SIR,

By now you will have received many submissions, objecting to any interference with electorates, in rural and regional Australia.

IN NEW SOUTH WALES; THE FEDERATION SEAT OF CWO/D12 HAS SERVED NOT ONLY, A VAST DIVERSE AND STRATEGIC AREA, BUT FURTHER, DE TO THE STABLE AND INCREASING POPULATION THE POTENTIAL FOR FURTHER GROWTH AND PROSPERITY IS ASSURED.

THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT, IN THE EVENT THAT AN ELECTORATE AREA IS TOO LARGE THEN PARLIAMENTARY REPRESENTATION IS GREATLY DIMINISHED, WITH VERY MINIMAL <sup>OR NO</sup> BENEFIT.

THE PROPOSED CREATION OF A MEGA ELECTORATE IS DOOMED TO FAILURE, AND WOULD NOT BE GOOD FOR THE CONSTITUENTS OR IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST.

THERE IS A SAYING: "IF SOMETHING IS WORKING WELL; THEN LEAVE WELL ALONE!" AND ANOTHER; "IF IT AIN'T BROKE, DONT FIX IT" AND, YOU ONLY CHANGE SOMETHING, IF IT WILL BE BETTER THAN BEFORE THAT CHANGE.

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IF IT WAS PROPOSED TO EITHER MERGE, OR ABOLISH, THE AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION, THEN IT WOULD HAVE TO BE PROVEN THAT THIS WAS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF AUSTRALIA. THE SAME GOES FOR AN ELECTORATE, IN THIS CASE GWYDIR; TO WHICH THERE SHOULD NEVER EVEN BEEN ANY INTENTION, OF DISSOLVEMENT, ESPECIALLY AS NO GOOD REASON HAS BEEN GIVEN; WITH NO PROOF OF ANY EVIDENCE AS TO WHY GWYDIR OR, ANY OTHER ELECTORATE SHOULD BE INTERFERED WITH OTHER THAN TO, DELIVER MINIMAL OR NO REPRESENTATION AND TO REDUCE GREATLY THE STANDARD OF LIVING OF A REGIONAL BUSINESS DISTRICT.

FOR HISTORICAL INFORMATION GWYDIR WAS NAMED AFTER LORD GWYDIR AFTER ALAN CUNNINGHAM DISCOVERED THE GWYDIR RIVER IN 1827, WITH THE FIRST PROCLAIMED ELECTION IN 1901. WHEN BLAXLAND, LAWSON, AND WENTWORTH, SCOUTED A TRACK ACROSS THE GREAT DIVIDING RANGE, LATER NAMED THE BLUE MOUNTAINS, IT OPENED UP A JUST RICH AREA THAT HAS TODAY MADE POSSIBLE THE WEALTH OF THIS NATION. AGAIN A NEW FREEWAY IS PROPOSED ACROSS THE MOUNTAINS WHICH WILL ALLOW HUGE AMOUNTS OF PEOPLE TO TRAVERSE THE WHOLE RURAL AREA OF NSW'S. IT IS WITH THIS THAT, NOT ONLY GWYDIR ELECTORATE, BUT ALL OTHER ELECTORATES WILL EXPERIENCE SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN POPULATION. IT WOULD BE FUTILE TO INTERRUPT THE FAIR & REASONABLE BOUNDARIES OF AN ELECTORATE, BASED ON FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION OR, STATISTICS; INCLUDING USING A SUPPOSED POPULATION VARIATION OF 3.5%, FOR SURVIVAL OF ANY GIVEN ELECTORATE AND FURTHER TO THIS; WHOEVER

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ORCHESTRATED THIS "FLAWED" CRITERIA IS OUT OF TOUCH WITH REALITY AS, THERE IS NO JUSTIFICATION AT ALL FOR EITHER CHANGING OF ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES, OR A RE-DISTRIBUTION, NO NEED, NO REASON, & NO CREDIBILITY AT ALL; ESPECIALLY WHEN THE PROPOSAL IS FLAWED, AND WOULD LEAD TO A MEGA-MESS, AN AREA FIVE TIMES THAT OF TASMANIA, TWICE THE AREA OF VICTORIA, AND THE SIZE OF GERMANY, OR JAPAN.

IT IS AN ABSOLUTE AND UTTER NONSENSE TO EVEN CONSIDER; INTERFERING WITH, LET ALONE THE THOUGHT OF DELETING GWYDIR, FROM THE WELL FORMED ELECTORAL DIVISIONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

THE POPULATION OF GWYDIR WILL NOT ACCEPT, OR TOLERATE, THIS FLAWED PROPOSAL, AND IT WILL BE SAID PRINTED AND REPEATED OVER AND OVER AGAIN:

DO NOT; INTERFERE WITH, DO NOT; ABOLISH  
DO NOT; DELETE, DO NOT; CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES  
DO NOT; INITIATE ANY RE-DISTRIBUTION, DO NOT;  
CARRY ON WITH A FLAWED PROCESS.

FINALLY IN THE EVENT THAT, THE WISHES OF THE POPULATION OF GWYDIR ARE NOT MET AND THAT IS TO LEAVE GWYDIR ALONE; THEN, THE AEC AND ITS STAFF, INCLUDING COMMISSIONERS AND THE LIKE WILL HAVE DRAWN CONTEMPT TO THE CITIZENS OF GWYDIR.

YOURS SINCERELY,

STEPHEN R MONKTON.