



The Federal Redistribution 2006  
NEW SOUTH WALES



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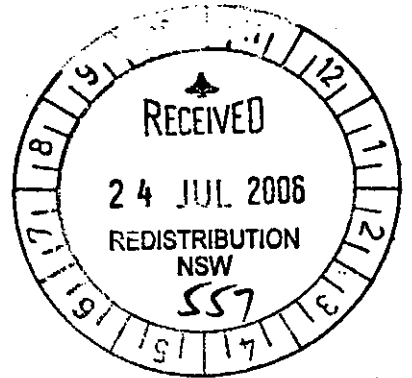
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Redistribution Committee  
for NSW  
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Dear Sirs

I write to protest strongly against your proposal to abolish the seat of Gympie, thereby creating an enormous area to comprise the seat of Parkes.

Not only would this eliminate a vital seat to allow country people an effective voice in Federal Parliament, but an enormous task for one person to effectively manage to remain in contact with the electorate, many of whom would have to leave farms and businesses for some days to get the help and representation they deserve.

Since leaving Sydney, it has become blatantly clear to me how regional Australia suffers at the expense of capital cities.

I hope you will decide to allow Gympie and Parkes Electorates to remain as they are with the same boundaries and combine an electorate from the city areas.

Yours faithfully