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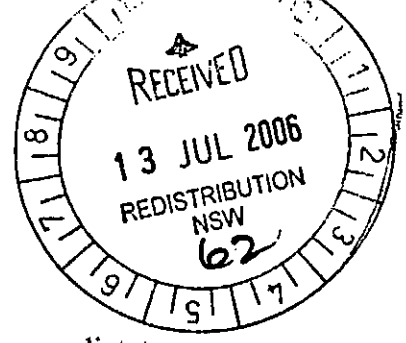

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Dear Sirs or Mesdames, as the case may dictate,

Re. The proposed distribution of Federal Electoral boundaries in New South Wales.

Boundaries seem, to me, to be changed because of the representation of population. It has been said that these changes are to address the possible foresight of the one hundred years.

If our forefathers could have envisaged the shift in world population as well as the diversification of the various nationalities and their cultural input, I doubt very much that they would have drawn up the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, with all of its' amendments, if any, in its' present day form.

History has a nasty habit of repeating itself, over and over again. My father, brother uncles and aunts have fought in two world wars, only to find we won these wars but lost the peace. Britain, today, is a stark reminder of that. The third world, to date, has had no shots fired, but by stealth, cunning and deceit Britain has been defeated by our enemies of yesterday.

The boundaries prepared are one of greatest imbalance of representation that I have had the misfortune to witness in this day and age. Common sense has been replaces by political manoeuvring, not just for the best interests of the states, but for Australia, which will become a republic in our lifetime. I do not disagree with royalty, but factual issues regarding our younger generation will demand it, along with those having other agenda.

The reasons I am opposed to distribution should be obvious to those more astute than I am, but I cannot understand, for the life of me, why you and the governments of this country cannot see that, unless there is an agenda which is purely vote catching.

The country of Australia has almost exported its' coal, iron ore and other minerals, including yellow cake more than Tasmania itself as an island it has closed those refineries of iron, copper etc, in favour of those who consider it cheaper or more economic to give it to our enemies to turn into vehicles in which they get back after their usefulness has served its' purpose and they make money which, in turn they use to build their armed forces just to show the world how powerful they are.(I don't think)

I my explanation the point I am leading up to is this large section of New South Wales is one of the greatest provider of exports of such a diversity that the government and the political power of the day see in their wisdom to make the boundaries of Parkes, formerly Gwydir bigger under one representative who has to represent such a wide diversity of production while those in the major cities who only seem to provide a rabbit-warren-like system under many voices with the same cry from suburb to suburb. More of what drains the economy and one representative is expected for the major part of productive Australia to give voice to those the other side of the Granite Wall, the Great Dividing Range. Yes, Sydney with all its' Chief Executive Officers, who fail and retire to some other lucrative job with fortunes as their rewards.

No longer do we travel on the sheep's back, because we have replaced it with other backs, ores of a different kind such as meat and crops., when we can otherwise we bring on the level playing field. Fruit from overseas, apples, oranges, juices, fish etc. while our own industry goes to pot. Take the tourist trade away and we will have nothing to offer our own, only unemployment, poverty and discontentment.

This idea of representation by numbers of people, in favour of high density, is outdated and irresponsible. The decision should be made also on what the country of Australia needs for development of its' resources, and used at the marketplace.

Parkes, the biggest electorate, with the representation by one person, is ridiculous, and should accommodate more than two people, maybe even three. There are five representatives covering the largest part of New South Wales and this is ludicrous to say the least. Yes, I am opposed to this move for more reasons that you can poke a stick at.

It is political gerrymandering for the sake of party politics, not for the best interests of the country, Australia.

We must be the laughingstock of those who follow our economic front, when we are tied to America, whose only interests are 'what's in it for us'.

Let's face it, we are U.S.A.'s greatest aircraft carrier now, and it needs us more than we need them on their level playing field where they subsidise their farmers. Tell their cows to get over their mad cow's disease, and where they can manoeuvre us out of wheat exports etc.

This determination is not subject to appeal. Well, now I know justice has flown the coop. Welcome to dictatorship!!

Derrick Paxton