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Australian Electoral Officer for New South Wales Level 1, Sir Roden Cutler House. 24 Campbell Street, HAYMARKET 2000

Dear Sir,

The Oxley Electorate Council, representing a number of registered voters, wishes to submit the following objection to the proposed alteration of electoral boundaries:

ABOLITION OF THE SEAT OF GWYDIR.

It is our wish that the electorate of Gwydir be retained.

Reasons for same:

The merging of the seat into an adjoining electorate will create an area too large to be satisfactorily serviced in a democratic fashion by one representative. This is particularly made more difficult by the fact that there are four large regional towns/cities in the proposed enlarged seat that are geographically situated virtually as far away from each other as it is possible to be. In the large Western Australian seat quoted as a precedent (although larger in land mass) the great percentage of the electors are clustered in one area (Kalgoorlie/Boulder).

Solution:

Abolish an inner city seat in the Sydney area then place the electors into adjoining seats that ring it moving outwards in a ripple effect until the numbers are balanced.

Solution (cont):

or

Transfer a cluster of voters living in the Muswellbrook area from the seat adjoining and if this upsets the balance of numbers extend the southern boundary of that electorate.

Yours faithfully,

Mary Tarr.

Honorary Secretary