



The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES



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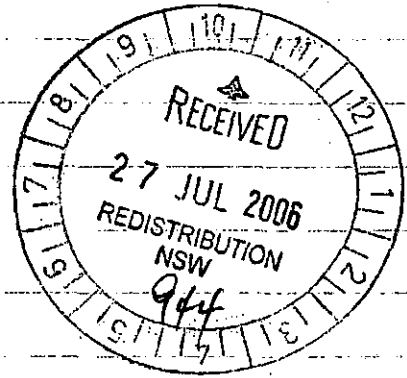
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Redistribution Committee of N.S.W
Australian Electoral Committee (N.S.W)
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Dear Members,

The National Party of Australia Marulan Branch members find the proposal to abolish the seat of Guyra as a tick in the butt to rural people in favour of a city based people.

Cutting down the number of voices from rural based people is just not acceptable from our point of view.

Both the National & Liberals argue strongly that there is a case for the abolition of a Sydney Electorate. This would cause far less disruption & be much more equitable than abolishing the Guyra electorate.

The Nationals support the retention of existing boundaries between coastal & inland divisions where possible, so that the Great Dividing Range continues to act as a sensible natural dividing line.

In Sydney people are often only 10 minutes at the most from their M.P.'s office but in this newly proposed seat of Parkes which is set down to cover 47% of the State would mean people will have to drive for hours & hours to see their M.P.

It seems that the legislative requirements for communities of interest & the size of the electorates to be considered in the redistribution process have been ignored.

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Hopefully the committee will take on board the views of all branch members when they make their final decision.

Yours sincerely
John G Smith
(Branch Secretary)