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# , Adrian - Redistribution SA - Submission on the proposed South Australian redistribution

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## Submission on the proposed South Australian redistribution details

**Category:** Names

**Details:** I object to the Redistricting Commissions proposal to change the name of the Grey electorate to O'Donoghue. I understand the intent of the proposal however question why the Commission would knowingly move forward with a proposal that would erase the electoral history and identification of South Australians past and present, Indigenous and non Indigenous. The Commission has stated in the South Australian Advertiser dated 28 Mar 26, "We acknowledge the contribution Sir George Grey made to establishing the SA colony, however noted that Sir George was born and died overseas with limited connection and contribution to Australia". The intent of this statement is to clearly minimise Sir George's legacy and erase that period of history, otherwise they would've appropriately acknowledge his contribution as Governor of South Australia in 1841. He was a prominent explorer having explored Western Australia from 1837-1839. During this period Sir George learnt to speak the Aboriginal language Noongar or Nyungar and due to his interest of Aboriginal culture was promoted and appointed as Resident Magistrate in Western Australia. To suggest Sir George has limited connection to Australia and First Nations culture is disingenuous. This name change proposal should not be authorised given the historical and cultural significance Sir George's contribution had and continues to have in South Australia.

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