



**THE FEDERAL
REDISTRIBUTION
NORTHERN TERRITORY**

Objection 3

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Objection to proposed redistribution

I am pleased to see the results of the proposed redistribution of the Northern Territory, as was looking forward to seeing how the Redistribution Committee would decide to assess the territory.

Being that there are only two divisions, and therefore only one boundary between the two, there were only a small number of realistic options. Discounting any radical redrawing of the existing boundaries (including the proposal by the Hon Warren Snowdon), this left a division in either the City of Darwin or City of Palmerston.

I am pleased that the Committee decision is almost identical to my own suggestion as outlined in my submission, by including the Palmerston suburbs of Farrar, Johnston, Mitchell, Zuccoli and part of Yarrowonga into the Division of Lingiari.

As I outlined in my suggestion, and further reiterated in my comments on suggestions, I believe this to be the best solution of the possibilities presented.

Further, I am pleased to see that the traditionally older suburb of Gunn remained in Solomon, and that Farrar was nominated to be transferred into Lingiari. This incorporates both suggestions from Mr Waddell and Dr Mulcair, but logically divides the newer growth suburbs from the older Palmerston.

As this is officially an objection to the proposed redistribution, I suppose that the only objection I have is that the proposed boundary follows suburb and SA boundaries, which are not always clearly defined. In this case, the boundary of Zuccoli with both Rosebery and Bellamack follows undefined roads and cadastral boundaries. My original suggestion follows the creek bed south of Lambrick Avenue, which can more readily act as a clearly defined boundary.

Once again, I thank the Redistribution Committee for their at times unappreciated work and the opportunity to provide suggestions and objections in this vitally important public process.