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Additional information: My concern is that ever since one-vote one-value legislation was introduced we eventually we will have only several seats in rural Victoria that are impossible for one elected member of parliament to represent adequately.

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OBJECTION TO REDISTRIBUTION

Placing Maryborough in the electorate of Mallee will disadvantage an already lower socio-economic community. Central Goldfields has been given that ranking by research of Australian towns and needs to be more associated with larger communities like Ballarat. While Bendigo is also another major centre most of Victoria's population tend to gravitate south towards our capital city Melbourne thus placing Ballarat as the preferred connection. Much of this gravitation is caused by road structure which emanates from Melbourne with little consideration for highways that criss-cross the state.

My concern is that ever since one-vote one-value legislation was introduced country Victorians have been disadvantaged by the representation they receive and, with the drift of populations from country Victoria, we eventually we will see only several seats in rural Victoria that are impossible for one elected member of parliament to represent adequately.

This outcome is blatantly obvious in the proposed redistribution by placing Maryborough into the electorate based on Mildura which is a full day's travel to just visit Maryborough.

The only way the electoral commission can be enabled to address this anomaly is by legislation of a Victorian Government limiting the physical size of any electorate so that is not X times larger than the average. This would then take into consideration the time required for any representative to provide a service for the constituents and help to eliminate the discrimination rural resident suffer.

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