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OBJECTION TO NAMING OF NEW ACT ELECTORATE
BEAN

It is inappropriate to name the new Federal ACT Electorate, 'Bean'.

Using this name will tarnish the electorate with the notions of anti-Semitism and white elitism and superiority.

Charles Bean maintained anti-Semitic views and opinions before, throughout and for some time after World War 1. It was not until sometime later that he recanted these views.

Further Bean's WW I record is strangely elitist suggesting that he held such notions. Whilst commendable in their scope the record describes the work, heroics and roles of male officers than those from 'other ranks'. Little attention is paid to these 'other ranks' unless Victorian Cross winners are identified.

Charles Bean appears to have been a divisive, non-inclusive person and thus most inappropriate for contemporary Australia especially a contemporary Australian Capital Territory ...Canberra.

Name the new electorate after a person who is either non-Anglo and/or female and preferably a Canberran.

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