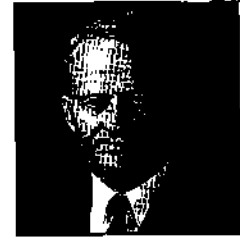




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Dear Mr Smith

Thank you for your letter dated 8<sup>th</sup> February 2005. I appreciate you writing to me regarding an inquiry into the Conduct of the 2004 Federal Election. Certainly, we were satisfied with the general running of our local campaign in relation to the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC). Indeed the Returning Officer, Mr Chris Goodwin, and his staff could not do enough to assist when required.

There are two areas of interest that have been raised with me since the 2004 Federal election.

1. There is strong support for subdivisational voting to minimise any electoral fraud; and
2. The introduction of a computerised electoral roll for verification to avoid multiple voting.

Perhaps these three issues may be raised by other Members of Parliament and I am happy to discuss these personally with you at some later stage.

Yours sincerely,

The Hon. Philip Ruddock MP  
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