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Submission to the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) on the new electorate for the Australian Capital Territory. By Rohan Goyne

Location of new electorate:

The new electorate should be based on the satellite city of Belconnen in the north of the Australian Capital Territory (ACT).

Reasoning

Belconnen's population has grown by 3.7% according to the 2017 Census. There is further population growth projected to happen in Belconnen over the next decade which means that if not taken into account now would most likely require further electoral boundary amendments within the next decade. For example, CSIRO land scheduled to be developed in North Eastern Belconnen will provide for another 10,000 houses within the next decade.

Belconnen is a geographically distinct satellite of current 99,000 individuals bounded by the NSW boarder at the Molonglo River and the Barton Highway and William Hovell Drive. It is the largest satellite city in the ACT and will grow further over time.

Naming:

The new electorate centred on Belconnen should be named "Brindabella" after the dominate mountain range which runs the full length of the southern boundary of it.