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Contested election of 19 Feb. 1977 following complaints against the scrutineers at Halls Creek and other polling booths. pts.

See also News. Clipp. 1977 ( $\underline{1}$ ) and Western Australia. Court of Disputed Returns.

Contents:

- (1) Telegrams of protest from:
  - (a-b) Kimberley Action Group for Aboriginal Voting Rights, 2 Mar. 1977 to Television Channels 2 and 9, Perth, and the West Australian; and 14 Mar. 1977 to the Secretary-General, United Nations, New York, and the Prime Minister, Papua New Guinea.
  - (c) Australian Aboriginal citizens, Kununurra, signed: Djidja Enterprises, Moongung Darwung and Murrima Council, [Mar. 1977] to the Sunday Independent and other newspapers, the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and the Leader of the Opposition.
- (2) Kimberley Action Group for Aboriginal Voting Rights, news sheet, 7 July 1977 entitled: Aboriginals denied freedom to vote? 21., [2] p.
- (3) Letter of resignation as Chairman, Aboriginal Lands Trust, W.A., signed Ken Colbung, 19 Sep. 1977.
- (4) Letter from the Minister for Health and Community Welfare, Western Australia, 31 Oct. 1977 in reply to Ken Colbung's of 19 Oct. on suggested amendment to the Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority Act Regulations.
- Special instructions to presiding officers in the (5) (a) Northern Territory concerning assistance to non-literate voters, July 1977, ĉl] 1.
  - (b) Notice of objection on retention of voter's name on the electoral roll for the sub-division of Kimberley, [1] 1.
- (6) Electoral Amendment Bill
  - (a) W.A.'s Watergate, issued by the Land Rights Support Group
  - (b) Petition to the Legislative Assembly
  - (c) Remembrance Day and the Electoral Amendment Act, signed Elaine Bruen, 11 Nov. 1977, [1] 1. Mimeo
  - (d) Letter to the Governor of Western Australia, signed Elaine Bruen, 14 Nov. 1977, [1] 1. Mimeo

  - (e) Leader of the Opposition, E.G. Whitlam
    (i) Redistribution, 7 1. Typescript (photocopy)
    - (ii) Kimberley Election, Press statement, no. 154, 7 Nov. 1977, 2 1. Typescript (photocopy)
  - (f) Letter to C. Tatz, signed Elaine Bruen, 22 Nov. 1977, enclosing correspondence and newspaper alippings as follows:
    - (i) Letter to J. D. Thompson, Speaker, Legislative Assembly W.A., signed Ken Colbung, 22 Nov. 1977, [1] 1.
      - (ii) Letter to C. E. Griffiths, President, Legislative Council W.A., signed Ken Colbung, 22 Nov. 1977, [1] 1.

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- (iii) Letter to P. Ugle, Attendant, Parliament House, W.A., signed Ken Colbung, 22 Nov. 1977,
- (iv) Letter to Members of the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council of W.A. who voted to defeat the Electoral Act Amendment Bill, signed Elaine Bruen, 18 Nov. 1977, [1] 1.
- (v) Letter to I. D. Thompson, Speaker, Legislative Assembly W.A., signed Elaine Bruen, 18 Nov. 1977, [1] 1.
- (vi) Letter to C. E. Griffiths, President, Legislative Council W.A., signed Elaine Bruen,
- 12 Nov. 1977, with reply, 23 Nov. 1977, [3] 1. (vii) Extract from Daily News, 9 Nov. 1977, "Police quell row in Parliament", by Kerry Coyle, with note by E. Bruen, E27 1.
- (viii) Newspaper extract, "Aborigines joined in protests against the Western Australian Government's proposed voting law changes", l illus.
- (g) Letter to G.O.A. Leitch, Commissioner of Police, Western Australia from Ken Colbung, signed Elaine Bruen, 21 Nov. 1977, with reply, 23 Nov. 1977, E23 1.
- (h) Letter to Mrs G. Vaughan, Member Legislative Council, signed Elaine Bruen, 12 Nov. 1977, [1] 1.
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Submission by John R. Huelin to Western Australian Electoral Act Inquiry, 13 1. Mimeo.

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- x. Kimberley Action Group for Aboriginal Voting Rights
- x. Halls Creek polling booth
- x. Colbung, Ken x. Huelin, John Raymond