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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL MATTERS Public hearing: Inquiry into the 2007 election

Chair: Daryl Melham Deputy Chair: Scott Morrison

Federal MPs Fran Bailey, Peter Lindsay and Gary Gray to discuss the 2007 election

Three members of the House of Representatives will appear before the Electoral Matters Committee tomorrow, Tuesday 25 November 2008, as part of the committee's inquiry into the 2007 election.

Issues raised by Members of Parliament who have made submissions to the inquiry include:

- The ability to effectively campaign in some shopping centres;
- A need for stronger proof of identity requirements;
- Voting practices in some Indigenous communities; and
- The distribution of unauthorised campaign material.

The public hearing will be held in Committee Room 2S1, Parliament House, Canberra, from 12.30pm to 1.50pm. The hearing will be broadcast on the House Monitoring Service (HMS 10) and webcast live on the Parliament House website at: <u>http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/</u>

Please note that the Committee will be conducting a private meeting prior to the commencement of the public hearing. The public will be admitted at the conclusion of the private meeting.

Public hearing program:

Tuesday 25 November 2008 – Committee Room 2S1, Parliament House

12.30 pm	Hon Gary Gray AO MP, Member for Brand
1.00 pm	Hon Fran Bailey MP, Member for McEwen
1.30 pm	Hon Peter Lindsay MP, Member for Herbert
1.50 pm	Adjourn

For media comment: please contact the Committee Chair, Daryl Melham, on (02) 6277 2054 (Parliament House Office).

Further information: contact the Inquiry Secretary (02) 6277 2374, email jscem@aph.gov.au or visit the Committee's webpage at http://www.aph.gov.au/em