

**Submission to the Standing Committee on Planning and Environment**

**Inquiry into the Proposed Nomination of the ACT as a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve**

Mr George Howe, Canberra musician and carillonist, suggests that the name of the proposed Biosphere Reserve incorporate the words Kamberri and Ngunnawal either individually or together, to honour the original inhabitants of the region.

The proposed Biosphere Reserve should extend across the ACT into NSW, taking in Yass and Gundaroo and down to Cooma, and out to Bungendore.

It is important to ensure that the proposed name and boundaries are acceptable to the descendants of the original inhabitants of this area.

Mr Howe cites Ann Nakano-Jackson's *Aboriginal History Monograph No 8*, pp. xxi, xxiv (map)

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