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Honorable Arthur E. Bolton
Attorney General
State of Georgia
132 State Judicial Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

This is in reference to the March 14, 1972 letter from your office submitting to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 3 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, H.R. 2031, S.R. 690 and H.R. 1862 which reapportion the Georgia Senate, the Georgia House of Representatives, and the Congressional Districts, respectively.

After a careful analysis of the Act redistricting the Georgia House of Representatives, I must conclude that this reapportionment does not satisfactorily remove the features found objectionable in your prior submission, namely, the combination of multi-member districts, numbered posts, and a majority (runoff) requirement discussed in my March 3, 1972, letter to you interposing an objection to your earlier Section 3 submission. Accordingly, and for the reasons enunciated in my March 3, 1972, letter I must, on behalf of the Attorney General, object to S.R. 690 reapportioning the Georgia House of Representatives.

Our examination of the new reapportionment of the Senate (H.R. 2085) and Congressional Districts (H.R. 1867) is continuing on an expedited basis, and you will be advised as soon as a decision is made on these enactments.

Sincerely,

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