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The Hon Kevin Rudd MP  
Prime Minister  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Prime Minister

As you would probably understand, there is quite a lot of concern among Australians in relation to unplanned population growth.

When asked by Kerry O'Brien on *The 7.30 Report* on 28 January 2010 about Australia's population reaching 35 million you replied,

*"You asked specifically whether this is my target or not. I don't have a view on that, to be quite honest".*

Prime Minister, could I suggest you take steps to commence an inquiry into what our sustainable population will be, especially in consideration of the effects of human-induced climate change.

I believe that population is a critical issue for Australia, and the party which addresses this issue will enjoy wide support.

Yours faithfully

Dick Smith.