

PRESENTATION SUMMARY

UCLUELET PUBLIC HEARING
MAY 15, 2004 AT SEAPLANE BASE
RECREATION CENTRE

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE PRESENTATION TO THE CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY ON ELECTORAL REFORM. IT ATTEMPTS TO CAPTURE THE KEY ISSUES AND ARGUMENTS THAT WERE PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING. IN SOME INSTANCES, THE PRESENTER HAS ALSO MADE A SUBMISSION TO THE ASSEMBLY AND THIS IS ACCESSIBLE VIA THE WEBSITE AT WWW.CITIZENSASSEMBLY.BC.CA BY CLICKING ON "GET INVOLVED". IF SUCH A SUBMISSION IS AVAILABLE, IT WILL BE NOTED AT THE END OF THIS REPORT.

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DESCRIPTION OF PRESENTATION

I like the pure ProRep system, I am not concerned about ridings. I don't consider a threshold. Right now, I don't feel like my vote matters.

KEY THEMES

The presenter feels like the disenfranchised youth. She likes the pure proportional representation at the provincial level, without any threshold.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We should adopt pure proportional representation without any threshold.

Quotes: "We talk about disenfranchised youth, I feel the same."

"My vote has never counted."

"I am not going to vote first past the post anymore, if the system changes, I will vote again."

QUESTIONS, ANSWERS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PANEL

There were no questions from the panel.

Comment from panel

Please do not stop voting.

STV could be the only way [to make you vote again].

QUESTIONS, ANSWERS AND COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no questions from the audience.

Comment: I think not voting is a vote for the winning candidate.

SUBMISSION: NO