



ATLANTIC POLICY CONGRESS OF FIRST NATIONS CHIEFS SECRETARIAT

September 6, 2019

Letter to Party Leaders:

Atlantic Chiefs are very concerned about the participation and inclusion of First Nations people and communities in the upcoming federal election on October 21, 2019. It is important to the Atlantic Policy Congress of First Nations Chiefs that all voices are heard, and our people exercise this important right to vote. In 2015, the First Nations vote impacted the outcome of approximately 50 ridings across Canada.

In order to support an increase in First Nations interest and participation, we are requesting that each party discuss how their platforms will address critically important issues facing our local communities.

Upon receiving your response, we will share this information with all our First Nations communities in Atlantic Canada to help each one of our voters make a well-informed decision at the ballot box. We believe that our participation and vote will help shape the future of a better, prosperous Canada.

We appreciate your cooperation and await your formal responses to the attached questionnaire which details ten key questions. If you require any further information, please feel free to contact us (1-902-435-8021) or our Executive Director, John G. Paul (902-435-8021/john.paul@apcfn.ca).

Sincerely yours,

Chief Bob Gloade, APC Co-Chair

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cc: All APC Chiefs & All Tribal organizations
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