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1. Do you support co-operating with the Liberals and Greens before the next election to defeat Stephen Harper's government? If so, how?

I support:

(A) coordinating efforts in the House to research, highlight, and campaign against the acts of the Conservative government in and out of the House of Commons; and

(B) stating now, over the next three years, during the next election, and after it, that it is and will be legitimate for a majority of MPs to unseat the Harper government in the next Parliament and to replace it with a new, progressive government -- even if that majority is composed of MPs from more than one party acting together.

2. Do you support electoral reform? If so, what kind of electoral reform do you support?

I support Senate abolition, a mixed proportional House, and a ban on proposals from government to prorogue the House when confidence votes are before it. I have posted a detailed democratic reform paper on my website, www.briantopp.ca.

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3. Will you actively campaign on the issue of electoral reform before the 2015 election? Are you willing to co-operate with other parties once in government to make it happen?

Yes on both counts. My preference, to be clear, is to campaign on the following commitment: if an NDP government is elected in 2015, Canadians will be voting

on a mixed proportional system in 2019 -- ie, I favour making the next election the referendum on this reform, with a public consultation on its details through a parliamentary committee or a commission. I don't lean to making electoral reform contingent on a referendum.

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