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Open Letter to CBC's Ombudsman regarding CBC's Systematic Reporting Bias in the Nova Scotia Election

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Good morning Mr Nagler,

I formally ask for immediate action regarding the CBC's coverage of the ongoing Nova Scotia election. The CBC engages in a blatant pattern of unbalanced coverage by excluding two registered parties from election coverage, the Atlantica Party and the Green Party of Nova Scotia.

Here are some examples:

A CBC article announcing the NS Election with an overview analysis by Michael Gorman reporting on only three out of the five leaders and parties in the election. <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/nova-scotia/election-iain-rankin-tim-houston-gary-burrill-tory-grit-ndp-1.6103819>

A live leaders debate tonight with only three leaders; the other two have not yet been invited <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/nova-scotia/community/nsvotes-debate-election-night-on-cbc-1.6112579>

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A CBC vote compass tool that features only four of the five parties in the election <https://votecompass.cbc.ca/ns>

As of the date of this complaint, the Atlantica Party can confirm they have not been contacted for interviews or coverage by the CBC despite having numerous nominated candidates, many press releases and an election platform released three weeks ago.

As you can see, this is not an isolated oversight but appears as a pattern by the local CBC to manipulate the election results in favour of the older parties.

In the interest of "maintaining accuracy, fairness, balance, impartiality and integrity in its journalism", we request immediate action.

A similar complaint has been forwarded to the National NewsMedia Council.

Thank you.

Jonathan Dean

The Atlantica Party was established in 2006 to promote a democracy revolution in Nova Scotia to fix our broken political system and empower the voter. It is the only political alternative committed to making Nova Scotia a have province.

See our 2021 Election Platform here <http://www.atlanticaparty.ca/Platform>

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