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## Compréhension Ecrite

### 1)Résumer le texte en français (100 mots maximum). 4pts

Le texte aborde le tirage aléatoire des représentants de la population dans les différents conseils et assemblés. Il explique que le tirage au sort des élus n'est pas une mauvaise chose en soit. Il rappelle que la démocratie athénienne fonctionnait ainsi et que 50% à 70% des athéniens pouvant être élus l'avait au moins été une fois. Il explique également que beaucoup d'autres systèmes ont employé cette méthode. Il y présente également la solution trouvée par Terrill Bouricius et affirme que cela réglerait beaucoup de problèmes que possède actuellement nos gouvernements. Il dit que les lois votées par ces assemblés aléatoirement sélectionné sont acceptées à plus de 60% par le biais de referendum.

### 2)What are the main problems with the current system (modern democracy)?1pt

The writer explains that those who have power in our current system might vote for laws that are not good for the country nor for the citizens, because they have a personal interest in the decision. They could have received bribes or want to support their political parties or their society. They are not particularly a part of the people either, so they don't represent perfectly the citizens.

### 3)Define sortition(in your own words).1pt

Sortition is the selection of people by a random solution who give even chances to everyone to be elected.

### 4)What are the advantages of sortition?1pt

The sortition is a system for the people by the people they is no one above anyone because no man get his seat for cash nor by corruption. You can't bypass the sortition and make yourself a part of the council. A government based on sortition would be the more close to what the people think and what they want.

### 5)What are the limits of sortition?1pt

The most important and critical moment of the sortition is the sortition itself how can we imagine a solution that is fair and that there is no correlation between the human interaction with the sortition. An IT solution for the sortition is by definition impossible considering the likeability to change the result.

Sortition is based on volunteering and based on that we can think that there is some citizens who doesn't want to be part of the pool of possible chosen. If one of this person is elected then we can think that he will be against meeting and every aspect relate to diplomatics need.

### 6)What is the "wisdom of crowds"? 1pt

The wisdom of crowds is an idea that a single person might take bad decision, but an assembly of person who doesn't know each other always get the best answer to the same probleme.

### 7)Give examples of sortition experiments in ancient and recent history.1p

The most famous ancient sortition example is the Athenian Government. Each Athenian over 30 years old could have been chosen to be in the council of 500. This council was made to manage the city they chose the modification of legislation, the diplomatic relation. It is estimated that 50% to 70% of every

Athenian over 30 years old were at least part of the council one time in their life. This year the Parliament of the German-speaking Community of Belgium decide to create a council made of 24 citizens choose by sortition for a duration of 18 months. The goal of this new council is to give advice to the parliament and the last one have to listen to everything point that arose during the meetings of the council because it represents the mind of the people.

## Expression Ecrite (238 words)

Dear Mr President,

I write to you today to give you what I think is the best solution for our political society. Six weeks ago our first minister was accused to get bribes from a society and he already confessed. To stop the capitalism to impact our beautiful country, I want you to take action against those acts and I came here with a petition who already collect more than 1.8 million signatures. Our idea is to make half of the parliament's staff chosen by sortition. With that we could expect that our government, that you rule brilliantly, while now regain is greatness. The sortition would only choose people over 30 years old like the Athenian democracy to make sure that they are ready and they understand the consequences of every decision that they will make. Sortition helps a government to respect what is citizens think of any subject because the elected person are part of our society like farmer, workers, the traders....

However, there is some bad points with this solution because some people might want to change the outcome of the sortition or the decision made by the chosen. But it will stop the corruption, the fight between political parties and they will not make a decision for personal interest. They will have a certain amount of power and not more than that.

I hope that you find our idea interesting

Best regards

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