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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

I would like to table in the House today, results of a survey which was conducted in March of this year. This random survey was conducted in my constituency of Yellowknife South. The survey was in response to my need to understand how my constituents felt about the current deficit and their feelings on budget reduction.

I hope my fellow members will take the time to review this survey as I feel it is representative of a comparable cross section of people in my riding.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

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YELLOWKNIFE SOUTH CONSTITUENCY SURVEY

The following are results from a random survey done in the Yellowknife South Constituency. 140 telephone surveys were done.

Question #1 Are you aware of the financial situation of the G.N.W.T. 137 responses

YES 114 83%

NO 23

16%

Question #2 Do you feel the GNWT should reduce spending. 132 responses

YES 125

95%

NO

7

23

90

5%

Question #3 Do you believe the GNWT should balance the 1996/97 budget. 123 responses

YES 102

82%

NO

18%

Question #4 Do you feel the GNWT can balance the budget in the 1996/97 fiscal year. 118 responses

YES 28

24%

NO

76%

Question #5 Should spending be cut in:

Education-128 responses	YES	28	22%	NO	100	78%
Health-129 responses	YES	45	35%	NO	84	65%
Buildings & Capital-129 resp.	YES	113	88%	NO	16	12%
Assist. to Business-123 resp.	YES	94	76%	NO	29	24%
Boards & Agencies-123 resp.	YES	106	86%	NO	17	14%
Reducing employees-123 resp.	YES	74	60%	NO	49	40%
Reduce Wages & ben126 resp.	YES	68	54%	NO	58	46%

Question #6 Should the GNWT privatize more services if it reduces spending? 127 responses

30

YES 97

76%

NO

24%

Question #7 Should the GNWT contract more services if it reduces spending? 128 responses

31

24%

YES 97 76% NO

Question #8 How long have you lived in the NWT?

Total 136 responses Average # of years is 14.

Question #9 What kind of work do you do? 139 responses

Self Employed	20	14%
GNWT employee	44	32%
Part time private sector	6	4%
Homemaker	8	6%
Full time private sector	40	29%
Federal/Municipal employee	18	13%
Unemployed	3	2%