ABSTRACT: Comparing the system of parliamentary elections in Czech Republic to Great Britain with focus on (parliamentary) election 2010

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This diploma thesis deals with comparing the election and the electoral systems of proportional representation, which is demonstrated by the Czech Republic, and the majority system, which is demonstrated by the United Kingdom. The aim of this work is to compare election and electoral systems in both countries and to analyze the results of the parliamentary elections 2010.

The text is structured into six main chapters, which are divided into many subsections. The first chapter describes the differences in suffrage in parliamentary democracy. It also compares the two countries in regards to the gradual extension of suffrage caused by an increasing population range. The second chapter compares the electoral system of proportional representation with majority electoral system. The third chapter deals with the conditions for participation in elections. In addition, this chapter explains the rules of elections and announcement. Chapter four focuses on the participation in elections and seeks to reflect the most important factors that influence voter turnout in elections. The fifth chapter describes in detail the pre-election period, a specific campaign, and especially analyzes the election results.