

Chechnya Vows 115% Vote

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Chechnya can return a vote of more than 100 percent for United Russia in elections, the speaker of the republic's parliament was quoted as saying Wednesday.

"If United Russia needs to get 115 to 120 percent of the votes, we can achieve that," Speaker Dukvakha Abdurakhmanov told reporters in Moscow, the RBC.ru news site reported.

Abdurakhmanov said Chechens do not vote for the party but for its leaders. "If United Russia were led by someone other than [Prime Minister] Vladimir Putin and Ramzan Kadyrov, nobody would vote for them," he said.

Chechnya has in the past returned jaw-dropping results for United Russia. In the 2007 State Duma elections, it reported that 99.36 percent for the party and a 99.5 percent turnout. ☒

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