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US-Russia G8 Survey

Questionnaire

US (Knowledge Networks)

Dates of Survey: 6/27/06-7/2/06

Sample Size: 1059

Margin of Error: +/- 3.1 % [full sample]

Russia (Levada Center)

Dates of Survey: 6/9/06-6/14/06

Sample Size: 1600

Margin of Error: +/- 2.5 % [full sample]

+/- 3.5 % [half sample]

UR-Q1: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Democracy is the best form of government.

	Americans	Russians
Strongly agree	57%	15%
Somewhat agree	34	37
Somewhat disagree	5	23
Strongly disagree	2	11
(Don't know/No answer)	3	15

UR-Q2: I would like to know how much influence you think each of the following countries have in the world. Please answer on a 0 to 10 scale; with 0 meaning they are not at all influential and 10 meaning they are extremely influential.

[ALTERNATE RANDOM ORDER]

	Americans (mean)	Russians (mean)
The United States	8.77	8.74
Russia	5.67	6.57
Japan	6.20	6.18
Germany	5.06	6.10
China	6.63	6.10
India	4.16	3.73
European Union	5.78	7.14
Great Britain	6.61	6.20
France	4.45	5.83
Italy	3.98	5.09
Canada	4.65	4.76

UR-Q3: Thinking about the next ten years, for each of the following countries please tell me if you think that its influence in the world will increase, decrease, or stay about the same.

	Increase	Decrease	Stay about the same
a. Russia			
Americans	24%	18%	55%
Russians	60	7	22
b. US			
Americans	33	22	43
Russians	31	23	33
c. China			
Americans	70	3	24
Russians	50	6	27
d. India			
Americans	38	8	51
Russians	21	9	50
e. European Union			
Americans	36	10	51
Russians	39	9	33

UR-Q4: Do you think that 10 years from now, Russia will be:

	Americans	Russians
Much more democratic	8%	16%
Somewhat more democratic.....	63	34
Somewhat less democratic.....	19	13
Much less democratic	6	8
(Don't know/No answer)	5	28

INT-Q5: Please tell me whether you think that, in the area of advancing human rights in other countries, the United States does:

	Americans	Russians
A very good job	14%	4%
A good job.....	58	20
A bad job.....	21	41
A very bad job.....	5	15
(Don't know/No answer)	3	20

UR-Q13: Have you heard about the G8 Summit of major countries, to be held in July with Russia as the chair?

	Americans	Russians
Yes	27%	64%
No.....	71	37

(Don't know/No answer)2 *

[IF YES TO Q13a]

UR-Q13a: Please enter what city in Russia you think the summit will be held in.

	Americans	Russians
In St. Petersburg.....	8% *	39%
Other	10	2
(Don't know).....	10	23

UR-Q14: Please mark the box for each subject that you think would be particularly good to discuss at this summit.

[ALLOW MORE THAN ONE ANSWER]

	Americans	Russians
Development of world economy.....	67%	30%
Energy security	64	24
Poverty	61	46
Democracy and human rights	74	14
Problem of Iran	65	16
Struggle against terrorism.....	84	57
Education	50	21
Prevention of infectious diseases	73	36
None of the above	2	1
(Don't know/No answer)	3	16

URC-Q15: How important do you think it is to have Russia as a participating member of the G8 Summit?

	Americans	Russians
Very important.....	41%	28%
Somewhat important	47	37
Neither important nor unimportant	N/A †	18
Somewhat unimportant	5	5
Not important at all	2	1
(Don't know/No answer)	6	11

[ASKED ONLY IN RUSSIA]

URC-Q15a: Do you think the participation of Russia in the G8 is important for Russia and its future or not? ‡

	Russians
Definitely important.....	40%

* Percent of total.

† Response option not offered in the United States.

‡ The Levada Center worded this question slightly different than in the US

Probably important.....	37
Neither important nor unimportant	11
Probably unimportant.....	3
Definitely unimportant.....*	
(Don't know).....	9

URC-Q16: Do you think of Russia:

Americans

As a full member of the G8, like all the others.....	56%
As something less than a full member	31
(No Answer).....	12

[ASKED DIFFERENTLY IN RUSSIA]

URC-Q16: Do you think Russia is perceived as a full member of the G8 by its other members or not? *

Russians

Definitely yes	12%
Probably yes.....	37
Probably no	33
Definitely no	6
(Don't know).....	12

URC-Q17: Do you think that the relationship between Russia and the US will become better, become worse, or not change as a result of this summit?

	Americans	Russians
Become better	29%	46%
Become worse.....	7	2
Stay the same	58	39
(No Answer).....	6	13

[ALTERNATE ORDER OF NEXT TWO QUESTIONS]

UR-Q18: Please select whether you agree or disagree with the following statement:
The member countries of NATO have reason to be afraid of Russia.

	Americans	Russians
Agree strongly.....	5%	10%
Agree somewhat.....	40	20
Disagree somewhat	39	38
Disagree strongly	7	22
(Don't know/No answer)	9	10

UR-Q19: Please select whether you agree or disagree with the following statement:
Russia has reason to be afraid of the member countries of NATO.

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	Americans	Russians
Agree strongly.....	4%	21%
Agree somewhat.....	36	40
Disagree somewhat.....	38	22
Disagree strongly.....	11	7
(Don't know/No answer).....	11	10

The following questions were fielded only in Russia.

Q4: I am going to ask about some recent developments in Russia. For each please tell me what you think: [hold up card]

Q4a: Increased government control of the media

	Russians
Support it.....	37%
Support it but only as a temporary measure.....	19
Oppose it.....	21
Neutral.....	14
(Don't know).....	8

Q4b: Greater limits on the activities of international NGO's that promote human rights

	Russians
Support it.....	28%
Support it but only as a temporary measure.....	15
Oppose it.....	32
Neutral.....	16
(Don't know).....	9

Q4c: Abrogation of the election of regional governors

	Russians
Support it.....	26%
Support it but only as a temporary measure.....	11
Oppose it.....	18
Neutral.....	25
(Don't know).....	19

Q5: Do you favor or oppose the re-nationalization of Russia's oil and gas industries?

	Russians
Definitely favor.....	56%
Probably favor.....	29
Probably oppose.....	5
Definitely oppose.....	2
(Don't know).....	7

Q6: Do you favor or oppose the nationalization of other industries that are presently in private hands?

	Russians
Definitely favor.....	34%
Probably favor.....	31
Probably oppose.....	16
Definitely oppose.....	7
(Don't know).....	12

[HALF SAMPLE]

Q8a: Which government model do you think has more to offer Russia: A liberal democracy as in the United States or a more centrally controlled government as in China?

	Russians
Definitely a liberal democracy.....	12%
Probably a liberal democracy.....	18
Probably a more centrally controlled government.....	26
Definitely a more centrally controlled government.....	18
(Don't know).....	27

[HALF SAMPLE]

Q8b: Which government model do you think has more to offer Russia: A liberal democracy as in Britain or France or a more centrally controlled government as in China?

	Russians
Definitely a liberal democracy.....	9%
Probably a liberal democracy.....	24
Probably a more centrally controlled government.....	25
Definitely a more centrally controlled government.....	19
(Don't know).....	24

US DEMOGRAPHIC DATA:

[FULL SAMPLE]

50. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a:

Republican.....	26%
Independent.....	20
Democrat.....	29
Other.....	2
No preference.....	20
(No answer).....	3

[IF REPUBLICAN ON 50]

51. Would you call yourself a...:

Strong Republican	13%
Not very strong Republican	13
(No answer).....	*

[IF DEMOCRAT ON 50]

52. Would you call yourself a...:

Strong Democrat	16%
Not very strong Republican	13
(No answer).....	*

[IF NEITHER DEMOCRAT NOR REPUBLICAN ON 50]

53. Do you think yourself closer to the...:

Republican Party	8%
Democratic Party	9
Neither	25
(No answer).....	3

[FULL SAMPLE]

D1. (Combined Q50 + Q53). Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a:

Republican	34%
Independent.....	28
Democrat.....	38

D2. Age

18-29	22%
30-44	28
45-59	28
60+	22

D3. Education level (categorical)

Less than High School	15%
High School Graduate.....	32
Some College	28
College Graduate	26

D4. Race/Ethnicity

White, Non-Hispanic	70%
Black, Non-Hispanic.....	11
Other, Non-Hispanic	5
Hispanic	13
2+ Races, Non-Hispanic	1

D5. Gender

Male	48%
Female.....	52

D6. Region

Northeast.....	19%
Midwest.....	22
South.....	36
West	23

RUSSIA DEMOGRAPHIC DATA:

D1. Age

18-29	26%
30-44	25
45-59	29
60+	20

D2. Gender

Male	45%
Female.....	55

METHODOLOGY

The poll was fielded by Knowledge Networks, a polling, social science, and market research firm in Menlo Park, California, with a stratified random sample of its large-scale nationwide research panel. This panel itself has been randomly recruited from the national population of households having telephones; households without internet access are subsequently provided with free web access and an internet appliance. Thus the panel is not limited to those who already have home internet access. The distribution of the sample in the Web-enabled panel closely tracks the distribution of United States Census counts for the US population on age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, geographical region, employment status, income, education, etc. Upon survey completion, the data were weighted by gender, age, education, and ethnicity. For more information about the methodology, please go to: www.knowledgenetworks.com/ganp.

The Russian survey was conducted by the Levada Center—a research institute in Moscow that follows principles of scientific objectiveness and observes the rules of ESOMAR. The sample generated is a four-stage stratified sample of face-to-face interviews with adult residents aged 18 years or older.

Russia is divided into 128 sampling units, which include 86 urban/rural communities with populations greater than 10,000 and 42 rural/urban communities of 10,000 or less. The sample was stratified across regions within Russia, with the specific features of the population's distribution in each region taken into consideration. Within the subdivided regions that constitute sampling units, households are randomly selected. The respondents within the household are selected by the “last birthday” method—with control of sex-age and sex-education quotas.

The sample does not include areas of military conflict, such as the Chechen and Ingush Republics, Dagestan, North Ossetia, and difficult to access and sparsely-populated areas. Overall, only 5% of the adult population of Russia resides in these excluded areas.

The survey data are coded, entered, cleaned from accidental errors, data omissions and discrepancies and weighted by gender, age, level of education, federal okrug, type of community and voting results in the last national election.