PIPA-Knowledge Networks Poll: Americans on North Korea II

Questionnaire

Dates of Survey: February 12-18, 2003 Sample Size: 3163 Respondents Margin of Error: +/- 2.7%

Q1. Here are five foreign policy problems that the US is facing these days. Thinking about the long term, please select the one that you feel is the most important. [order randomized; question repeated with remaining problems until all rated.]

	First	Mean
	Response	Rating
The situation in Iraq	37%	2.09
The Israeli-Palestinian conflict	6	3.96
The situation with North Korea	15	2.87
Osama bin Laden's terrorist group al Q'aeda	34	2.23
Tensions with our European allies	6	3.83
(No answer)	1	-

Q2. How well do you think the US government is dealing with the following international problems and issues? Please answer on a scale of 0 to 10, with 0 being very poorly and 10 being very well...The situation with North Korea. [question is part of longer list; other data to be released separately]

Negative (0-4)	
Neutral	
Positive (6-10)	
(No answer)	4
Mean	4.65

Q3. Do you think the US could or could not successfully fight a war against Iraq and North Korea at the same time?

Could	53%
Could not	42
No Answer	6

Q4. Just based on what you know, is it your impression that the US currently has or does not have troops based in South Korea?

Does	80%
Does not	13
No Answer	7

Q5. Just based on what you know, how much of the food aid that goes to North Korea reaches the people who really need it? *[answer choices alternately reverse ordered]*

Little or none	
Some	
Most	5
All	1
No Answer	7

Q6. If US diplomatic and economic efforts do not succeed in stopping North Korea from developing nuclear weapons, should the US move toward taking military action against North Korea?

Yes, should	54%
No, should not	36

[*If 'yes' in Q6*]

Q7. What if South Korea is strongly opposed to the US moving toward taking military action? Would you still favor moving towards military action or not?

Yes, still favor	68%
No, would not	29
No Answer	3

[Q6-7 combined]

Yes	.37%
No	.51
No Answer	.12

Demographics (from respondent profile)

Q. Gender

Male	.49%
Female	.51

Q. Age (calculated from birth date)

18-29	21%
30-44	29
45-59	26
60+	24

Q. Party Affiliation

Republican	.23%
Lean Republican	9
Independent	
Lean Democrat	
Democrat	.28
Other	6

Q. Education level (collapsed categories)

Less than High School	16%
High School Graduate	33
Some College	28
College Graduate	24

Q. Region

Northeast	20%
Midwest	23
South	34
West	23

Q. Race/Ethnicity

White, non-Hispanic	73%
Black	11
Hispanic	11
Other	5

Methodological note: This survey was answered by a national sample of 2,186 American adults. An additional 977 provided oversamples for the states of California, Florida, Illinois, New York and Texas. The full sample of 3,163 was weighted so that it is correctly proportional to the geographic distribution of the US population.