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6 months on the Formation of the 10th Palestinian Government

Press Release

Six months after the formation of the current government, the majority supports the formation of a national unity government as a way out of the current crisis; popularity of Fatah and Hamas are almost the same as the public loses confidence in the political leaders

- A public opinion poll conducted by the Jerusalem Media and Communications Center (JMCC) during the period between 19 and 22 September 2006 shows that the majority of the sample (55.9%) support the formation of a national unity government of all factions as a way out of the current crisis while (15.2%) view the solution in holding early legislative and presidential elections and (13.5%) of the Palestinian public say dissolving the PNA is the best option to get out of the crisis.
- The poll with a sample of 1,200 persons (760 in the West Bank and 440 in Gaza Strip) showed that the two major Palestinian factions Fateh and Hamas enjoy almost the same degree of popularity. When asked to which faction they would vote in case the elections are held today, (32%) of the respondents said they would vote for Fatah and (30.5%) of the sample said they would vote for the Change and Reform Bloc whereas (21.9%) said they will not participate in the elections.
- When asked to what extent they trust the Palestinian political figures, the opinions of the respondents varied on this matter but the majority (28.3%) said they don't trust anyone while the main political leaders on the arena got varying degrees of trust with the current PM Ismail Haniyeh coming in the first place with (18.9%) followed by President Mahmoud Abbas who got the trust of (14.5%) of the Palestinian public. Marwan Barghouthi, Fateh Secretary who is detained in the Israeli prisons, came in the third place with (4.5%) followed by Head of Hamas Politburo Khaled Mash'al who got 3.3%.
- ➢ With regards to the performance of the current government, significant decline was noted at the level of assessing the performance when compared with a similar poll conducted by the JMCC three months ago. (27.5%) said that the performance of Council of Ministers is good in this poll compared to (21.8%) in September 2006. During the same period, the percentage of Palestinians who said the performance of the Palestinian Legislative Council is good declined from (32.2%) to (24%). The general performance of the security services also witnessed same trend from (23.1%) in June 2006 to (16.8%) in September 2006. These results come at a time when the strike of the civil servants continues because of no salaries. When asked about their opinion on the strike, the majority of the respondents (79.6%) expressed sympathy with the strike while (20.4%) said they were not sympathetic with the strike.
- Jerusalem Media and Communications Center explored the viewpoints of the public on the issue of the recent Israeli war on Lebanon and the Hezbollah experience in resistance. (76.3%) of the respondents said Hezbollah won in the Lebanon war while only (2.3%) said Israel won in that war and (18.8%) said neither party achieved a decisive victory. On the possibility of cloning Hezbollah experience in resistance in action inside the Palestinian territories,(59.3%) supported the idea while (31.7%) opposed it. When asked about their viewpoint on deployment of international troops in the PNA territories similar to the situation in South Lebanon, (34.7%) supported the idea while (60.5%) opposed the presence of such troops.

Highlights

First: the national unity government is the solution to the political crisis

- ✓ A majority of the Palestinian public (55.9%) believe that the best option to get out of the current crisis lies in the formation of a national unity government while (15.2%) said the way out of the current crisis lies in early legislative and presidential elections. (3.5%) supported the dissolving of the PNA and (6.5%) of the Palestinian public support the formation of a technocrat government.
- ✓ The poll showed that a large majority of the Palestinian public (63.6%) expresses sympathy with the strike of the PNA employees who have not received their salaries while those against the strike didn't exceed (15.1%).
- ✓ The Palestinian public seemed divided on who can present a better Prime Minister; (39.4%) preferred to see a PM from Hamas Movement while (41.4%) said they prefer a PM from Fatah Movement.

Second: decline in assessment of the performance of the government six months after its formation:

- ✓ Six months after its formation, there has been noted a retreat in the assessment of the performance of the government compared with its performance three months after its formation; the retreat was noted in the following basic aspects:
- ✓ Palestinians who rate the performance of the Council of Ministers as good decreased from (27.5%) in June 2006 to reach (21.8%) in September 2006. The assessment of the PM's performance went down from (43.9%) who said his performance was good in June 2006 to (35.8%) in September 2006.
- ✓ There has been a notable decrease in the ratio of Palestinians who rated the performance of the education sector as good from (50.2%) in June 2006 to (33.0%) in September 2006. with regards to the assessment of the general performance of the security services, it went down from (23.1%) to (16.8%) for the same period. The same trend applies to various degrees to the ministries of social affairs, interior and traffic and registration department.
- ✓ The assessment of the performance of the PNA TV and Radio witnessed a significant decrease from (37%) to (27.1)% for the Radio and from (35.3%) to (27.3%) for the TV.

Third: Relative consistency on public trust in political and religious figures and factions

- ✓ Despite the decrease in the assessment of the government performance, the changes at the level of balance of forces between the factions and figures were not dramatic as the assessment didn't include the hard nucleus of those factions but part of the floating public.
- ✓ The ratio of Palestinians who said they will vote for the Change and Reform Bloc if elections were to happen today remain unchanged at (30.5%) while those who said they will vote Fatah Bloc went down slightly from (33.2%) in June to (32%) in this poll.
- ✓ With regards to the level of trust in the factions which is an open trend question in all public opinion polls conducted by the JMCC, the divisions in the Palestinian public opinion remain unchanged as (30.7%) said they trust Fatah most while (29.7%) said they trust Hamas more.
- ✓ The phenomenon of having no leader to gain the trust of the majority of the Palestinians persisted. Those who trust PM Ismail Haniyeh reached (18.9%) only while President Mahmoud Abbas got the trust of (14.5%) followed by Marwan Barghouthi who got (4.5%) support and Khaled Mash'al came in the fourth place with (3.3%) while those who trust no one show certain increase from (27%) to reach (38.3%) in this poll.

Fourth: consistency in differences in opinions between Gaza and the West Bank

✓ It is notable to mention that the differences in opinions between the West Bank and Gaza Strip on several issues continues to exist:

- ✓ The majority (62.3%) of Palestinians in Gaza said the security chaos incidents increased six months after the current government assumed its positions while (38.6%) of Palestinians in the West Bank say the same thing.
- ✓ While (32%) of the Palestinians in Gaza said the formation of Haniyeh's government pushed the current reforms forward, only (24.2%) of the Palestinians in the West Bank believe the same thing. (10.2%) of the Palestinians in Gaza say the performance of the security services is good while (20.5%) in the West Bank say the same. Those who believe the performance of the current government has improved in comparison with the previous government reached (26.8%) in Gaza while in the West Bank it was (19.2%).
- ✓ Finally, the same trend was illustrated in the status of factions and parties; those who will vote for Hamas if elections were to happen today reached (33.4%) in Gaza compared with (28.8%) in the West Bank.
- ✓ Variance in viewpoints also was clear in the level of sympathy with the strike of the civil servants where (57.3%) of Palestinians in Gaza supported the strike compared with (67.2%) in the West Bank.

Fifth: assessment of changes in positions and thoughts regarding the basic issues

✓ A rise was noted in the degrees of extremism in political positions and tendencies towards violence as shown in the results of the relevant questions. The public is moving towards extremism as the ratio of Palestinians who believe that the two-state solution (Palestine and Israel) is the best solution for the Palestinian cause from (52.4%) in June to (46.6%) in September 2006. With regards to attitudes towards military action, there is consistency in level of support to military operations against Israel targets (43.1%) while there is a slight increase in the ratio of Palestinians who support suicide bombings against Israeli civilians from (44.8%) in June 2006 to (48%) in September 2006.

Methodology

A random sample of 1200 people over the age of 18 was interviewed face-to-face throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip between 19^{th} and 22^{nd} of September 2006. The interviews were conducted in randomly selected homes, and the subjects inside each home were also selected randomly according to Kish tables. The interviews were conducted in 60 sampling points chosen randomly according to population.

In the <u>West Bank</u> 760 people were surveyed from the following areas: Jenin: Jenin, Jenin refugee camp, al-Yamoun, Zababdeh, 'Aqaba, 'Arabeh, Kufr Rai', Maythaloun, Sarees. Nablus: Nablus, Zawata, Madama, 'Asira al-Qiblia, Kifl Haris, Marda, Sabastia, Rujeeb, Balata RC. Tulkarem and Qalqilya:Tulkarem, 'Tulkarem RC, Bal'a, Beit Leed, Jayyous, Qalqilia. Hebron: Hebron, Halhoul, a-Dahiria, Bani Naim, Dura, Fawwar RC, Tafouh ,Tarqoumia. Bethlehem: Bethlehem, Beit-Sahour, al-Khader, a-Duha, Bateer, Duheishe RC. Ramallah & al-Bireh: Ramallah, Al Bireh, Beit Reema, Kufr Malik, Ni'leen, al-Aljalazon RC. Jericho, Jericho, Aqbet Jaber RC. Jerusalem: Addahyeh, Bir Nabala, Al_Ram, Qalandia RC, Shufat, Old City, Beit Hanina, Beit Hanina a-tahta, al- 'Issawia, Wadi al – Joz, Silwan, Jabal al-Mukaber,

In the <u>Gaza Strip</u>: 440 people were surveyed from: Gaza: Shati RC, Al Zaytoun, Al Nasser, Sabra, Al-Burj,Al Tuffah, A Shuja'ia, Al-Rimal North, Al-Rimal South, Sheikh Radwan, Khan Younis: Al Kuza', Khan Youis, Bani Suheila, Khan Younis RC, Al Qararah, Abasan Al Kabeerah, Abassan, Al-Sagheerah. Rafah: Rafah, Tal al-Sultan RC, Rafah RC. Gaza North: Jabalia, Jabalia RC, Biet Hanoun, Beit Lahya. Deir al-Balah: Deir Al – Balah, Nusseirat RC, Al –Maghazi RC, Al-Breij RC.

The margin of error is 3 percent, with a confidence level of 95.

Enclosed are the detailed results.

Sample Distribution

51.7 % of the respondents were from West Bank11.6 % from Jerusalem, 36.7 % from the Gaza Strip.

30.3% said they live in villages 15.7 % in refugee camps, and 54.0 % in towns/cities.

51.0 % were male, 49.0 % were female.

63.4~% were married, 28.2%, single, 3.8% widowed, 1.6% divorced, 3.0 % no answer.

The average age of the respondents was 34 years.

Occupation of Respondents

Students 12.8%	Professionals - e.g. doctors/lawyers/
laborers 10.0 %	pharmacists/engineers 0.8%
Farmers/fishermen 3.1 %	Housewives 31.0%
Craftsmen 1.3 %	Unemployed 9.4 %
Businessmen/private business 7.8 %	Retired 2.1 %,
Public Sector Employees14.1 %	No answer 0.8%.
Private Sector Employees 6.8 %	

Results:

Q. 1 Some believe that a two state formula is the favored solution for the Arab-Israeli conflict, while others believe that historic Palestine can't be divided and thus the favored solution is a bi-national state on all of Palestine where Palestinians and Israeli enjoy equal representation and rights, which of these solutions do you prefer?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Two- state solution: an Israeli	46.6	46.1	47.5
state and a Palestinian state			
Bi –national state on all of	30.4	33.0	25.9
historic Palestine			
Other	0.4	0.3	0.7
No solution	9.8	10.7	8.2
One Palestinian State*	7.0	4.7	10.9
Islamic State*	3.7	3.6	3.9
Don't know	1.6	1.2	2.3
No answer	0.5	0.4	0.6

* These answers were not included as part of the options read to the interviewee

Q.2. Do you support the resumption of the military operations against Israeli targets as a suitable response within the current political conditions, or do you reject them and find them harmful to the Palestinian national interests?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Suitable response within the	43.1	42.6	43.9
current political conditions			
I reject them and find them	53.2	53.3	53.0
harmful to Palestinian National			
Interest			
Other	0.2	0.3	0.0
I don't know	3.1	3.3	2.7
No answer	0.4	0.5	0.4

Q3 . How do you feel about the suicide bombings operations against Israeli Civilians? Do you strongly support it, somewhat support it , somewhat oppose it or strongly oppose it?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Strongly support	22.5	21.7	23.9
Somewhat support	25.5	21.7	32.0
Somewhat oppose	32.1	31.4	33.2
Strongly oppose	17.8	22.5	9.8
Don't know/have no opinion	1.9	2.4	1.1
No answer	0.2	0.3	0.0

Q 4. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way President (Abu Mazen) is performing his job as a	
president of the PNA?	

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n = 670	n = 440
Very satisfied	15.3	14.9	15.9
Somewhat satisfied	25.8	26.2	25.2
Somewhat unsatisfied	24.4	23.8	25.5
Very unsatisfied	31.5	31.4	31.6
No answer	3.0	3.7	1.8
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Q5. After Six months on the Formation of the new government, how do you evaluate the performance of the following Palestinian Authority agencies?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Prime Minster (Isma'il Haniyeh)	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Good	35.8	33.6	39.5
Average	33.3	32.4	35.0
Bad	27.5	28.8	25.2
No answer	3.4	5.2	0.3

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Security Agencies	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Good	16.8	20.5	10.2
Average	38.0	36.4	40.7
Bad	42.5	38.7	49.1
No answer	2.7	4.4	0.0

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Legislative Council	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Good	24.0	22.9	25.9
Average	37.3	39.1	34.3
Bad	34.1	31.4	38.6
No answer	4.6	6.6	1.2

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Council of Ministers (Executive	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Authority)			
Good	21.8	20.3	24.3
Average	39.6	41.6	36.1
Bad	33.4	30.7	38.2
No answer	5.2	7.4	1.4

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Palestinian Education System	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Good	33.0	34.6	30.2
Average	38.5	30.8	51.8
Bad	26.8	32.1	17.7
No answer	1.7	2.5	0.3

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Palestinian Health System	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Good	24.4	22.6	27.5
Average	39.4	32.6	51.1
Bad	33.4	40.7	20.9
No answer	2.8	4.1	0.5

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Palestinian Television	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Good	27.3	34.1	15.5
Average	36.5	32.1	44.1
Bad	30.9	27.0	37.7
No answer	5.3	6.8	2.7

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Palestinian Radio	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Good	27.1	31.1	20.2
Average	38.6	33.8	46.8
Bad	25.5	22.4	30.9
No answer	8.8	12.7	2.1

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Ministry of Interior (Passports,	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
ID Cards, other documents)			
Good	25.7	26.8	23.6
Average	44.8	38.9	54.8
Bad	23.1	24.6	20.5
No answer	6.4	9.7	1.1

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Ministry of Social Affairs	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Good	20.2	22.1	16.8
Average	42.9	36.8	53.4
Bad	29.0	29.3	28.4
No answer	7.9	11.8	1.4

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
Vehicle and traffic department	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Good	19.1	22.1	13.9
Average	40.7	34.9	50.7
Bad	28.8	28.4	29.3
No answer	11.4	14.6	6.1

Q6. After Six months on the formation of the new government, and in comparison with the previous
one, would you say that performance of the present government has become better, didn't change, or
became worse than it was before?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Better than before	22.0	19.2	26.8
Didn't change	39.7	41.7	36.1
Worse than before	35.5	34.6	37.0
No answer	2.8	4.5	0.1

Q7. Hamas Campaign's slogan was "yes for change and reform" after 6 months on the formation of the new government, to what extent do you think Hamas is genuine in realizing its slogan? Is it very genuine, genuine, in between, or not genuine at all?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Very genuine	21.8	19.5	25.9
Genuine	19.5	21.2	16.6
In between	25.7	26.3	24.5
Not Genuine	14.8	15.3	14.1
Not Genuine at all	14.8	14.5	15.5
I don't know	2.8	2.6	3.2
No answer	0.6	0.6	0.2

Q8. The recent years witnessed forms of chaos, lack of implementation of the law, and security and public order, after 6 months on the formation of Haniyeh's government, in your opinion did these forms increase, didn't change or did they decrease?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Forms of chaos have increased	47.3	38.6	62.3
Didn't change	35.2	40.8	25.4
Forms of chaos have decreased	16.1	18.3	12.3
Don't know/no answer	1.4	2.3	0.0

Q 9. DO you think that the formation of the new government headed by Isma'il Haniyeh assisted
pushing the current PA Reform process forward? Backward? Or it didn't have any influence on the
current reform process?

_	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
It assisted pushing the current PA reform process forward	27.1	24.2	32.0
It assisted pushing the current PA Reform process backwards	29.7	30.3	28.6
It didn't have any influence on the current reform process	39.4	40.7	37.3
No answer	3.8	4.8	2.1

Q 10. with regards to it's work and agenda, do you think that Haniye's government provides the Palestinian citizen with more information than the previous government , less than the previous government , or the same amount of information as the previous government?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
More that the previous government	29.0	27.8	31.1
The same as the previous government	35.1	37.9	30.2
Less than the previous government	28.8	26.3	33.0
I don't know/no answer	7.1	8.0	5.7

Q11. Do you think that there is corruption in the PNA? YES or No?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Yes	77.8	80.1	73.6
No	16.9	14.3	21.4
I don't Know	5.0	5.1	4.8
No answer	0.3	0.5	0.2

Q 11-1 To what extent do you think there is corruption in the PNA, to a high level, a medium level, or a low level?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 933	n=760	n = 324
To a high level	51.8	55.0	45.7
Medium level	34.3	32.2	38.3
Low level	13.3	11.8	16.0
No answer	0.6	1.0	0.0

* this question was asked to those who answered that there was corruption in the PNA in question 11

providing public Services?		1	
	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
To a great extent	28.3	31.6	22.5
To an average extent	29.3	28.0	31.4
To a low extent	21.5	19.5	25.0
No nepotism at all	14.8	13.4	17.3
Don't know	5.0	6.6	2.3
No answer	1.1	0.9	1.5

Q12. In the light of the present government, to what extent do you feel the presence of nepotism in providing public Services?

Q13. In the light of the present government, to what extent do you feel the presence of nepotism in Governmental Appointments?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
To a great extent	33.7	32.8	35.2
To an average extent	23.2	22.5	24.3
To a low extent	22.5	22.0	23.4
No nepotism at all	14.3	14.5	14.1
Don't know	5.6	7.6	2.0
No answer	0.7	0.6	1.0

Q14. To what extent do you think the present government is being transparent in handing the
financial issues? To a very high degree, high degree, average degree, low or very low?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
To a very high degree	15.3	14.6	16.4
High degree	15.8	14.5	18.0
Average	23.5	21.8	26.4
Low degree	20.4	19.5	22.0
Very low degree	15.3	17.5	11.4
I don't know	9.3	11.6	5.5
No answer	0.4	0.5	0.3

Q 15. Compared to the previous government, did the level of corruption in the present government increase or did not change, or did it decrease?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Increased	26.0	24.2	29.1
Decreased	35.8	32.2	41.8
Didn't change	35.8	40.5	27.7
Don't know	2.3	2.8	1.4
No answer	0.1	0.3	0.0

Q16. To what extent is the government fair and just in collecting taxes and other fees?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
To a great extent	18.8	16.2	23.4
To an average extent	27.6	25.5	31.1
To a low extent	33.8	36.2	29.8
Don't know	19.0	21.2	15.2
No answer	0.8	0.9	0.5

Q17. In your opinion, to what extent does the government publicize its decisions and policy in order to
keep the citizen informed of its work?

-	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
To a great extent	17.2	16.3	18.6
To an average extent	27.8	26.6	30.0
To a low extent	44.7	43.6	46.6
Don't know	9.7	12.6	4.5
No answer	0.6	0.9	0.3

Q18. A major debate emerged recently regarding the disagreement between the government and the Palestinian Authority Presidency, who do you blame more, the presidency or the government?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
The Presidency	46.3	45.9	46.8
The government	40.9	41.2	40.5
I don't know	10.8	10.4	11.4
No answer	2.0	2.5	1.3

Q19. If the elections happened another time today, which list would you vote for?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Fateh List	32.0	32.2	31.6
Change and reform list	30.5	28.8	33.4
Martyr Abu Ali Mustafa List	3.6	4.5	2.0
Independent Palestine list (3.5	3.7	3.2
Mustafa Barghouthi and the			
independents)			
The Third Road List	2.3	2.5	1.8
Alternative list (DFLP, PPP,	1.6	2.1	0.7
Fida, and independents coalition)			
Martyr Abu Abbas List	1.0	1.2	0.7
The National Coalition for	0.5	0.7	0.2
Democratic Justice			
Palestine Justice List	0.5	0.5	0.5
Freedom and Independence List	0.3	0.4	0.0
Freedom and Social Justice list	0.2	0.1	0.2
Won't vote	21.9	20.3	24.8
No answer	2.1	3.0	0.9

Q 20. To what extent does the government spend its revenues from the donations, taxes and other fees? in an ingenuous way?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	N= 1200	n=760	n = 440
To a great extent	21.0	18.7	25.0
To an average extent	28.6	26.4	32.3
To a low extent	37.3	39.7	33.0
Don't Know	12.5	14.2	9.5
No answer	0.6	1.0	0.2

Q21. In order to get out of the current crisis, which of the following options do you favor?

Γ	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	N= 1200	n=760	n = 440
To dissolve the PNA	13.5	15.3	10.5
To form a national unity government	55.9	54.9	57.7
To conduct early presidential and legislative elections	15.2	14.7	15.9
To form an emergency government	4.8	4.7	5.0
To form a government of technocrats	6.5	6.2	7.0
Other	0.8	0.8	0.7
Keep Hamas Government*	1.1	0.8	1.6
No answer	2.2	2.6	1.6

* This answers was not included as part of the options read to the interviewee

Q22. The employees of the PNA started a strike recently because they are not receiving their salaries, how do you feel about the strike; are you sympathetic with it in between or do you have mixed feelings?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	N= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Sympathetic with the strike	63.6	67.2	57.3
In between	20.3	18.7	23.2
Not sympathetic with the strike	15.1	13.2	18.4
Other	0.2	0.1	0.2
No answer	0.8	0.8	0.9

Q23. To what extent do you support or oppose the deployment of international troops in the PNA territories (West Bank and Gaza Strip) similar to the Lebanese model?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	N= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Strongly support	9.8	8.8	11.4
Support to certain extent	24.9	25.3	24.3
Oppose to certain extent	21.3	18.8	25.5
Strongly oppose	39.2	40.9	36.1
no opinion/don't know	4.6	5.8	2.5
No answer	0.2	0.4	0.2

Q24. In case a national Unity government is formed, do you prefer to see the government headed by Hamas or Fateh?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	N= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Hamas	39.4	39.5	39.3
Fatah	41.4	41.7	40.9
don't know/ no opinion	14.9	15.0	14.8
No answer	4.3	3.8	5.0

what do you think:			
	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	N= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Hezbollah achieved a victory	76.3	77.6	73.9
Israel achieved a victory	2.3	1.2	4.3
Neither side achieved any	18.8	18.3	19.8
decisive victory			
don't know/no opinion	2.2	2.5	1.6
No answer	0.4	0.4	0.4

Q 25. Some believe that Hezbollah achieved a victory in the Lebanon war while others believe that Israel achieved a victory, and a third party thinks that neither side achieved any decisive victory. What do you think?

Q26. Do you support or oppose copying or cloning Hezbollah experience in resistance to be used inside the Palestinian territories

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
I support	59.3	62.4	53.9
I oppose	31.7	29.1	36.1
don't know/no opinion	8.2	7.9	8.6
No answer	0.8	0.6	1.4

Q.27. Which Palestinian Personality do you trust the most?

• The question was open-ended

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Isma'il Haniyeh	18.9	16.3	23.4
Mahmoud Abbas	14.5	13.9	15.5
Marwan Barghouti	4.5	5.5	2.7
Khaled Mish'al	3.3	2.6	4.5
Mustafa Barghouti	2.6	2.8	2.3
Mohammad Dahlan	2.5	0.1	6.6
Ahmad Sa'dat	2.3	2.9	1.4
Mahmoud Zahhar	1.8	1.1	3.2
Hanan Ashrawi	1.5	1.7	1.1
Sa'eb Ereqat	1.4	1.8	0.7
Aziz Dweik	1.3	1.6	0.7
Yaser Arafat	1.2	1.6	0.5
Other	11.1	13.3	7.3
Don't trust anyone	28.3	28.4	28.2
No answer	4.8	6.4	1.9

Q.28. Which Palestinian faction do you trust the most?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1200	n=760	n = 440
Fateh	30.7	31.3	29.5
Hamas	29.7	27.5	33.4
PFLP	3.6	4.3	2.3
The Palestinian Initiative	1.5	2.0	0.7
Islamic Jihad	1.2	0.9	1.6
Other Islamic Organizations	1.0	1.2	0.7
DFLP	0.8	1.2	0.2
PPP	0.3	0.4	0.2
Fida	0.3	0.5	0.0
Other	0.8	0.8	0.7
Don't trust anyone	25.8	24.1	28.9
No answer	4.3	5.8	1.8

• The question was open-ended