JMCC Public Opinion Poll No. 2 On Palestinian Attitudes to Current Issues July 1993

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Methodology

A random sample of 1,476 Palestinians, over the age of 18 years, were interviewed throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip on 27/28/29 July 1993. The interviews were conducted on a face-to-face basis with people who visited general service offices in the main towns to fill out application forms for their identity cards, travel documents, birth registrations, etc.

In the West Bank, 885 questionnaires were received from the following major areas: Jenin, Tulkarem, Qalqilya, Nablus, Ramallah, Hebron, East Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Jericho. In the Gaza Strip, 591 questionnaires were received from Gaza, Khan Younis and Rafah areas.

The margin of error is plus or minus 3% with a confidence level of 95%.

Sample Distribution

- 60.0% of the respondents were from the West Bank
- 40.0% from the Gaza Strip
- 24.7% said they live in villages
- 30.6% in refugee camps
- 44.7% in towns/cities
- 76.6% were male
- 23.4% were female
- 66.4% were married
- 30.6% single
- 2.1% widowed
- 0.9% divorced
- The average of age of the respondents was 32 years.

Occupation respondents

- Students 10.4%
- Waged laborers 12.4%
- Housewives 6.9%
- Employees 21.1%
- Merchants 7.8%
- Farmers 2.1%
- Craftsmen 17.0%

- Doctors/lawyers/pharmacists/engineers 13.8%
- Unemployed 7.2%
- Retired 1.3%

Results

Q1. Do you support the idea of a Palestinian - Jordanian confederation as the final settlement?

	All	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	40.9%	43.1%	37.5%
No	51.7%	47.1%	58.8%
No opinion	07.4%	9.8%	3.7%

Q2. Do you support the continuation of the current peace negotiations based on the Madrid formula?

	All	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	37.5%	37.0%	38.4%
No	55.9%	54.4%	58.3%
No opinion	6.6%	8.6%	03.3%

Q3. Do you support ending the negotiations and a Palestinian withdrawal from the talks?

	All	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	50.1%	50.7%	49.2%
No	43.7%	42.0%	46.4%
No opinion	6.2%	7.3%	4.4%

Q4. Do you think there is a need for democratic reform in the PLO?

	All	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	87.7%	88.7%	86.3%
No	6.5%	5.4%	8.2%
No opinion	5.8%	5.9%	5.5%

Q5. What do you think should be the final settlement for Jerusalem?

	All	West Bank	Gaza Strip
An open undivided city and a capital for two states	12.4%	13.9%	10.2%
A divided city and a capital for two states	32.9%	35.2%	29.5%
An international open city under international administration	20.4%	18.4%	23.4%
Other, please specify	34.3%	32.5%	36.9%

Q6. Who do you trust more to lead you out of the current situation?

	All	West Bank	Gaza Strip
National movements	51.9%	50.1%	54.6%
Islamic movements	24.1%	21.5%	28.1%
Others	24.0%	28.4%	17.3%

Q7. What do you think of general strikes?

	All	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Calls for general strikes should stop	24.5%	29.2%	17.4%
General strike days should be reduced	33.9%	29.8%	40.2%
Strike days should increase	5.5%	5.2%	6.0%
Number of strike days is suitable	36.1%	35.8%	36.4%