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68.9% of Palestinians express optimism regarding the Mecca Agreement and the new government

*The general public wants the new government to end the economic suffering first and then to stop the security chaos – **despite the expectation that the new government will not be able to deliver***

*If elections would take place today **29.2% of Palestinians would not vote**. An increase of ...% compared to 2006. 31.6% said they would vote for the Fatah Movement while 24.3% said they would vote for Hamas and 14.9 % would vote for other lists*

82.4% of the Palestinians view the role of US Secretary of State Rice in reviving the peace process as negative and even regard current diplomatic efforts as counterproductive for the image of the US

* A public opinion poll conducted by the Jerusalem Media and Communications Center (JMCC) after the formation of the national unity government - during the period of March 19th to March 21st - shows that a significant majority of the Palestinian public are optimistic regarding the current government with regards to handling the basic problems of the Palestinians people. A ratio of (68.9%) of the sample **expects that the national unity government would end the state of security chaos** while 25.5% said the government will not succeed. A ratio of 63.9% expects the government to succeed in ending the siege imposed on the Palestinian people compared with 29.1% who believe otherwise.

* The poll with a sample of 1,198 persons (757 in the West Bank and 441 in Gaza Strip) showed the priorities of the government as perceived by the Palestinian public. A majority said that the first priority of the **government should be to tackle the hard financial and economic hardships of the Palestinian people. Ending security chaos and enforcing law and order came in second place**. Palestinians view reform and of combat of the Israeli occupation as the third and fourth priority.

* When asked whether the Mecca Agreement is capable of ending the Palestinian crisis, a majority (61.2%) said the current government can end the crisis compared with 32.9% who said the opposite.

* With regards to the satisfaction of the public over the performance of the previous government, a ratio of 44% of those who voted for Hamas in the PLC elections said the tenth government didn't rise to the level of their expectations.

* A majority of the respondents (60.8%) said signs of chaos and absence of the rule of the law increased under the previous government with only 11.1% who said the chaos decreased. –

Surprising . Were there really people saying security chaos had decreased ? How can this be explained ?

* On the issue of reform, the highest ratio of respondents believe that the previous government **didn't have any influence on the reforms** undergoing in the PNA. The ratio of those who believe that the previous assisted in pushing the reform process forward came equal to the ratio of those who think that the previous government impeded the reform process.

* In the same manner, a ratio of 52.9% said nepotism and favoritism existed to a large or medium extent in the government posts appointments under the previous Hamas government headed by Ismail Haniyeh while 39.8% said there was either no nepotism or minimal level of nepotism. = **92, 7 % What were the other 7 % thinking ?**

* At the level of assessing the performance of the previous government, the poll **shows** that 36.1% view the performance of the previous council of ministers as bad compared with 25% who view it as good **as what ?**. With regards to the assessment of the security services, a majority (47.9%) said its performance was bad compared with 17.4% who said the performance of the security service was good.

* The negative assessment also applies to the performance **in the health and social affairs sector**. On the other hand, a ratio of 44.2% of the respondents assessed the performance of PM Haniyeh as positive while 23.1% saw his performance as bad. **Interesting.**

* On the performance of the Palestinian Legislative Council, a ratio of 34.1% believe it was bad while 23% assessed the PLC performance as positive. **How many days had the PLC been in session and able to work during the last government ? What did other people think of the work of the PLC ?**

* Despite the relatively negative assessment of the performance of the previous government headed by Haniyeh, a ratio of 33.7% said the performance of the previous government was **still** better than the performance of the government of Ahmad Qurei' compared with 28.5% who believed the opposite. Moreover, a majority of 35.8% of the Palestinian respondents said the level of corruption decreased during the previous Hamas government when compared with the Fatah government in the past and a ratio of 25.9% think the opposite. **Surprising as well- Did I understand correctly – also from your earlier version - that 52,9 % believe nepotism etc. existed under Haniyeh but at least in did not increase ? Then you should add that I think.**

* If elections happen today and if the same electoral blocs nominated themselves, Fatah Movement would get 31.6% of the votes compared with 24.3% who would vote for Change and Reform List (Hamas). All other lists and blocs would suffer slight drop in support but the striking result is that a ratio of 29.2% said they will not participate in the elections if they happen today.

* **Palestinians are optimistic towards the peace process and the future.**

In March 2007 a ratio of 67.8% said they feel optimistic towards the future in general compared with 54.2% in June 2006. The ratio of Palestinians who feel optimistic towards reaching a peaceful settlement to the conflict also rose to 44.9% this March compared with 34.0% in June 2006. **Do you have comparable figures from the year 2000 or another (perhaps comparable) period?**

* On the position regarding the recent international diplomatic activities, a majority of the Palestinians 82.4% believe that the US Secretary of State is playing a negative role in the region compared with 11.5% who say that her role is positive. Moreover, a majority of the respondents view the recent diplomatic efforts of Rice as making the image of the United States

worse compared with 4.6% who believe that her efforts improved the image of the United States. A ratio of 46.3% think the efforts of Secretary Rice have not affected the image of the United States in the region.

* With regards to Germany which is the current President of the European Union, a ratio of 34.6% of the respondents said its role as President of the EU is bad while 35.7% said its role is average and 11.9% described Germany's role as President of the EU as good.

* With regards to the German position on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, a ratio of 61.1% of the respondents said Germany is biased more towards Israel compared with only 4.3% who said Germany is biased more with the Palestinians and 21.5% said Germany's position is neutral.

Methodology :

A random sample of 1198 people over the age of 18 was interviewed face-to-face throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip between 19th and 21st of March 2007. 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 **West Bank** 757 people were surveyed from the following areas: **Hebron:** Hebron, al-Thahirieh, Sair, Yatta, Beit Ummar, al-Aroub refugee camp (RC), Tarqoumia, Beit Ula. **Jenin:** Jenin, Jenin RC, Tubas, Kufr Dan, Silat al-Harthiyeh, Arrabeh, Sanour, Maythaloun. **Bethlehem:** Bethlehem, Beit Sahour, Hussan, Nahalin, Za'tara, Deheishe RC. **Ramallah & al-Bireh:** Ramallah, al- Bireh, Deir Jreer, al-Amari RC, Beit Beit Reema, Deir Ghassaneh, Bilien, Kufr Ne'meh. **Jericho:** Jericho, Ein al Sultan RC. **Jerusalem:** al-Izzaria, Abu Dees, Beir Nabala, Qalandia RC, Shufat, Old City, Beit Hanina, Beit Hanina a-tahta, al-Isaweieh, Wadi al-Joz Silwan, Ras al-Amod. **Nablus:** Nablus, Salem, Deir al-Hatab, Haris, Kifl Haris, Beit Iba, Ain Beit Elma RC, A-Saweih, Qabalan. **Tulkarem and Qalqilya:** Tulkarem, Nur-Shams RC, Deir al-Ghsoun, Ramin, Qalqilya, Azzoun.

In the **Gaza Strip:** 441 people were surveyed from: **Gaza:** Shati RC, a-Shuja'a, a-Tufah, a-Daraj, a-Sheikh Radwan, a-Nasser, a-Rimal al-Shamali, a-Rimal al-Janoubi, Sabra, a-Zaytoun. **Khan Younis:** Abasan a-Saghira, Khan Younis, Bani Suheila, Absan al-Kabira, Khan Younis RC, al-Qararah. **Rafah:** Rafah, Rafah RC, Tal al Sultan RC. **Gaza North:** Jabalia, Beit Lahia, Jabalia RC, Beit Hanoun. **Deir al-Balah:** Deir Al Balah, al-Maghazi RC, al- Nusseirat RC, al- Bureij RC.

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

Sample Distribution

<p>51.6 % of the respondents were from West Bank, 11.6 % from Jerusalem, 36.8 % from the Gaza Strip.</p> <p>30.4% said they live in villages 14.1% in refugee camps, and 55.5 % in towns/cities.</p> <p>48.5% were male, 51.5% were female.</p> <p>63.9 % were married, 29.1%, single, 3.9% widowed, 1.4% divorced, 1.7% no answer.</p>

Occupation of Respondents

<p>Students 12.8%</p> <p>laborers 10.2%</p> <p>Farmers/fishermen 3.1%</p> <p>Craftsmen 0.8%</p> <p>Businessmen/private business 7.6%</p> <p>Public Sector Employees 12.1%</p> <p>Private Sector Employees 7.4%</p>	<p>Professionals - e.g. doctors/lawyers/ pharmacists/engineers 0.8%</p> <p>Housewives 33.6%</p> <p>Unemployed 9.2%</p> <p>Retired 1.6 %,</p> <p>No answer 0.8%.</p>
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The average age of the respondents was 34 years.

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Results:

Q.1 In general, how optimistic or pessimistic do you feel towards the future?

	Total n= 1198	West Bank n= 757	Gaza n=441
Very optimistic	7.3	5.7	10.0
Optimistic	60.5	58.7	63.7
Pessimistic	23.0	25.9	17.9
Very Pessimistic	8.3	8.5	8.2
No answer	0.9	1.2	0.2

Q.2 How optimistic or Pessimistic are you towards reaching a peaceful settlement for the Arab-Israeli conflict?

	Total n= 1198	West Bank n= 757	Gaza n=441
Very optimistic	3.7	2.8	5.2
Optimistic	41.2	43.1	38.1
Pessimistic	33.1	30.1	38.1
Very Pessimistic	20.4	21.7	18.1
No answer	1.6	2.3	0.5

Q. 3 Some believe that a two state formula is the favored solution for the Arab-Israeli conflict while others believe that historic Palestine cannot 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 n= 1198	West Bank n= 757	Gaza n=441
Two- state solution: an Israeli state and a Palestinian state	46.7	46.0	48.1
Bi –national state on all of historic Palestine	26.5	28.1	23.6
One Palestinian state *	11.0	9.5	13.6
Islamic state *	2.0	2.6	0.9
Other solution	0.4	0.4	0.5
No solution	9.7	8.9	11.1
No answer/don't know	3.7	4.5	2.2

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

Q4. 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= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Very satisfied	15.1	14.0	17.0
Somewhat satisfied	33.8	34.0	33.1
Somewhat dissatisfied	18.4	18.2	18.8
Very dissatisfied	29.8	29.9	29.7
No answer	2.9	3.9	1.4

Q5. How would you evaluate the performance of Haniyeh's previous government in comparison with Abu Ala's government? Would you say that the performance of the previous Haniyeh's government is better than Abu Ala's government, same as Abu Ala's government, or worse than Abu Ala's government?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Haniyeh's previous government's performance is better than Abu Ala's government	33.7	30.4	39.5
Haniyeh's previous governments performance is as same as Abu Ala's government	32.3	32.9	31.3
Haniyeh's previous government performance is worse than Abu Ala's government	28.5	30.1	25.9
No answer	5.5	6.6	3.3

Q6. Hamas Campaign's slogan was "yes for change and reform" to what extent do you think Haniyeh's government was genuine in achieving its slogan? Was it very genuine, genuine, in between, or not genuine at all?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Was Very genuine	19.7	18.1	22.4
Was genuine	23.5	22.9	24.7
Was in between	22.1	22.3	21.8
Was not Genuine	17.1	16.9	17.5
Was not Genuine at all	14.7	16.4	11.8
No answer /don't know	2.9	3.4	1.8

Q7. How would you evaluate the performance of the following Palestinian Authority agencies during Haniyeh's previous government? Good, average, or bad?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Prime Minister (Isma'il Haniyeh)			
Good	44.2	39.8	51.7
Average	31.2	33.6	27.2
Bad	23.1	24.7	20.4
No answer	1.5	1.9	0.7

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Security Agencies			
Good	17.4	19.2	14.5

Average	33.6	32.6	35.1
Bad	47.9	46.5	50.4
No answer	1.1	1.7	0.0

Legislative Council	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Good	23.0	22.7	23.6
Average	40.6	42.1	37.9
Bad	34.1	31.6	38.3
No answer	2.3	3.6	0.2

Council of Ministers (Executive Authority)	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Good	25.0	23.5	27.7
Average	35.6	39.6	30.6
Bad	36.1	33.4	40.8
No answer	3.3	4.5	0.9

Palestinian Education System	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Good	39.1	42.7	32.9
Average	35.6	31.2	43.3
Bad	24.4	24.8	23.6
No answer	0.9	1.3	0.2

Palestinian Health System	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Good	29.8	30.3	29.0
Average	36.1	30.8	45.1
Bad	32.4	36.3	25.6
No answer	1.7	2.6	0.3

Palestinian Television	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Good	29.4	35.5	18.8
Average	38.0	36.5	40.6
Bad	29.9	23.8	40.4
No answer	2.7	4.2	0.2

Palestinian Radio	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n=441
Good	27.0	31.6	19.0
Average	38.3	36.2	42.0
Bad	27.6	22.5	36.5
No answer	7.1	9.7	2.5

Ministry of Interior (Passports, ID Cards)	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Good	25.7	27.2	23.1
Average	41.2	36.6	49.0
Bad	27.2	27.5	26.8
No answer	5.9	8.7	1.1

Ministry of Social Affairs	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Good	22.0	23.2	20.0
Average	42.0	36.9	50.8
Bad	28.2	28.4	27.9
No answer	7.8	11.5	1.3

Vehicle registration and traffic department	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n= 441
Good	21.0	23.1	17.5
Average	37.8	32.8	46.5
Bad	31.5	31.4	31.5
No answer	9.7	12.7	4.5

Q8. The recent years witnessed forms of chaos, lack of implementation of the law, and security and public disorder, during Haniyeh's previous government, in your opinion did these forms increase, didn't change or did they decrease?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Forms of chaos have increased	60.8	56.0	68.9
Didn't change	27.0	30.1	21.5
Forms of chaos have decreased	11.1	12.3	9.1
Don't know\ no answer	1.1	1.6	0.5

Q9. Do you think that Haniyeh's previous government 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= 1198	n=757	n=441
It assisted pushing the current PA reform process forward	29.6	27.7	32.9
It assisted pushing the current PA Reform process backwards	28.4	30.5	24.7
It didn't have any influence on the current reform process	39.2	38.0	41.3
No answer	2.8	3.8	1.1

Q10. with regards to its work and agenda, do you think that Haniye's previous government provided the Palestinian citizen with more information than Abu Ala's government, less than Abu Ala's government, or the same amount of information as Abu Ala's government?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
More than Abu Ala's government	31.9	29.1	36.7
The same as Abu Ala's government	32.0	31.2	33.3
Less than Abu Ala's government	28.0	28.9	26.3
don't Know\No answer	8.1	10.8	3.7

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

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Yes	87.3	87.6	86.8
No	9.2	9.8	8.2
I don't Know \ No answer	3.5	2.6	5.0

Q11-1. 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= 1046	n=663	n=383
To a high level	56.0	58.7	51.4
Medium level	31.3	29.7	33.9
Low level	12.5	11.3	14.6
No answer	0.2	0.3	0.1

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

Q12. In the light of Haniyeh's previous government, to what extent did you feel the presence of nepotism in providing public services?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
To a great extent	24.3	25.4	22.4
To an average extent	26.4	22.2	33.6
To a low extent	27.0	25.5	29.7
No nepotism at all	15.8	18.2	11.6
No answer/Don't know	6.5	8.7	2.7

Q13. In the light of Haniyeh's previous government, to what extent did you feel the presence of nepotism in providing public services?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
To a great extent	29.2	28.0	31.3
To an average extent	23.7	22.1	26.5
To a low extent	24.9	22.5	29.0
No nepotism at all	14.9	18.5	8.8
Don't Know	6.8	8.3	4.1
No answer	0.5	0.6	0.3

Q14. To what extent do you think Haniyeh's previous government was transparent in handling the financial matters? To a very high extent, to a high extent, to an average extent, to a low extent, to a very low extent?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
To a very high degree	15.6	14.8	17.0
High degree	20.5	19.4	22.2
Average	24.1	21.9	27.9
Low degree	20.1	19.2	21.8
Very low degree	11.4	13.6	7.7
No answer/Don't know	8.3	11.1	3.4

Q15. To what extent did Haniyeh's previous government spend its revenues from the donations , taxes and other fees in an ingenuous way?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
To a great extent	25.2	21.9	30.8
To an average extent	30.3	28.3	33.8
To a low extent	29.8	31.3	27.2
No answer/Don't know	14.7	18.5	8.2

Q16. when comparing Haniyeh's previous government with Abu Ala's government did the level of corruption in Haniyeh's previous government increase , did not change , or did it increase?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Increased	25.9	25.6	26.3
Decreased	35.8	31.0	44.0
Didn't change	36.3	41.1	28.1
No answer	2.0	2.3	1.6

Q17. In your opinion , what is the worst form of corruption ?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Nepotism	33.6	28.5	42.2
Favoring supporters of a certain movement	25.7	28.0	21.8
Lack of transparency	20.0	21.1	18.1
Abuse of Public Fund	9.8	9.4	10.7
Bribery	8.8	10.2	6.3
Other	0.5	0.8	0.9
No answer	1.6	2.0	0.0

Q18. Recently, do you think that the number of civil servants has increased, didn't change, or decreased?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Increased	48.0	37.5	66.0
Didn't change	31.1	37.3	20.4
Decreased	12.3	16.1	5.7
No answer/Don't know	8.6	9.1	7.9

Q19. In your opinion, to what extent did Haniyeh's previous government publicize its decisions and policy in order to keep the citizen informed of its work?

Total	West Bank	Gaza
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	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
To a great extent	20.4	22.1	17.5
To an average extent	27.8	21.9	37.9
To a low extent	42.0	42.4	41.3
No answer/Don't know	9.8	13.6	3.3

Q20. Did you vote in the PLC elections that took place at the beginning of last year?

	Total n= 1198	West Bank n=757	Gaza n=441
Yes	75.5	73.4	78.9
No	23.7	25.6	20.4
No answer	0.8	1.0	0.7

Q21. Which list did you vote for?*

	Total n= 904	West Bank n=556	Gaza n=
Alternative list (DFLP, PPP, Fida, and independents coalition)	3.8	3.8	3.7
Independent Palestine list (Mustafa Barghouthi and the independents)	4.1	4.9	2.9
Martyr Abu Ali Mustafa List	4.8	4.5	5.2
Martyr Abu Abbas List	0.3	0.5	0.0
Freedom and Social Justice list	0.6	0.7	0.3
Change and reform list	44.8	42.3	48.9
The National Coalition for Democratic Justice (Waed)	0.3	0.5	0.0
The Third Road List	3.3	3.1	3.7
Freedom and Independence List	0.6	0.5	0.6
Palestine Justice List	0.3	0.5	0.0
Fateh List	34.3	35.1	33.0
No answer	2.8	3.6	1.7

- This question was asked to those who voted in the PLC's elections

Q21-1 Did Haniyeh's previous government rise to the level of your expectations?

	Total n= 405	West Bank n=235	Gaza N=170
Yes	53.8	49.4	60.0
No	44.0	47.7	38.8
No answer	2.2	2.9	1.2

- This question was asked to those who voted for change and reform list in the PLC's elections

Q22. If the elections happened another time today, which list would you vote for?

	Total n= 1198	West Bank n=757	Gaza N= 441
Alternative list (DFLP, PPP, Fida, and independents coalition)	1.5	1.5	1.6
Independent Palestine list (Mustafa Barghouthi and the independents)	3.2	3.0	3.4
Martyr Abu Ali Mustafa List	3.2	3.0	3.4
Martyr Abu Abbas List	0.1	0.0	0.2
Freedom and Social Justice list	0.1	0.1	0.0
Change and reform list	24.3	20.6	30.6
The National Coalition for Democratic Justice (Waed)	0.3	0.4	0.0
The Third Road List	1.9	1.7	2.3
Freedom and Independence List	0.3	0.1	0.7
Palestine Justice List	0.3	0.3	0.2
Fateh List	31.6	32.2	30.4
Wont' vote	29.2	32.5	23.6
No answer	4.0	4.6	3.6

Q23. In your opinion, to what extent is Mecca Agreement capable of ending the internal Palestinian crisis?

	Total n= 1198	West Bank n=757	Gaza n=441
To a great extent	28.5	27.3	30.6
To an average extent	32.7	31.2	35.4
To a low extent	22.9	22.7	23.1
Not capable at all	10.0	11.1	8.2
Don't know \ no answer	5.9	7.7	2.7

Q24. In your opinion , what should the priorities of this coming government be?

	Total n= 1198	West Bank n=757	Gaza n=441
First priority			
Resolve the difficult financial and economic situation of the Palestinian people	43.1	40.2	48.1
Move ahead with a peace process that might contribute to ending the occupation	7.8	10.4	3.2
Counter the Israeli settlement expansion and the obliteration of	13.6	15.6	10.2

Jerusalem			
End the state of chaos and implement law and order	24.7	21.9	29.5
Undertake reform and combat corruption	10.3	11.4	8.4
No answer	0.5	0.5	0.6

Second Priority	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Resolve the difficult financial and economic situation of the Palestinian people	25.0	26.6	22.2
Move ahead with a peace process that might contribute to ending the occupation	13.1	15.7	8.6
Counter the Israeli settlement expansion and the obliteration of Jerusalem	14.7	15.1	14.1
End the state of chaos and implement law and order	30.9	26.4	38.5
Undertake reform and combat corruption	15.9	15.7	16.3
No answer	0.4	0.5	0.3

Third priority	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Resolve the difficult financial and economic situation of the Palestinian people	15.0	15.2	14.7
Move ahead with a peace process that might contribute to ending the occupation	14.9	15.2	14.3
Counter the Israeli settlement expansion and the obliteration of Jerusalem	23.5	21.3	27.2
End the state of chaos and implement law and order	22.0	24.2	18.4
Undertake reform and combat corruption	24.0	23.6	24.5
No answer	0.6	0.5	0.9

Fourth Priority	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Resolve the difficult financial and economic situation of the Palestinian people	9.8	10.3	8.8
Move ahead with a peace process that might contribute to ending the occupation	22.5	22.2	22.9

Counter the Israeli settlement expansion and the obliteration of Jerusalem	26.1	23.9	29.9
End the state of chaos and implement law and order	14.8	17.2	10.7
Undertake reform and combat corruption	26.5	25.9	27.4
	0.3	0.5	0.3

Fifth Priority	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Resolve the difficult financial and economic situation of the Palestinian people	7.0	7.5	6.1
Move ahead with a peace process that might contribute to ending the occupation	41.0	35.5	50.3
Counter the Israeli settlement expansion and the obliteration of Jerusalem	21.4	23.2	18.1
End the state of chaos and implement law and order	7.4	10.3	2.5
Undertake reform and combat corruption	22.4	22.9	21.5
	0.8	0.6	1.5

Q25. Do you expect the unity government to be able to accomplish each of the following?

1. End the internal chaos and lack of security	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Yes	68.9	68.2	70.1
No	25.5	26.2	24.3
No Answer/don't know	5.6	5.6	5.6

2. End the Economic siege	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Yes	63.9	59.4	71.4
No	29.1	33.4	21.8
No Answer/don't know	7.0	7.2	6.8

3. Lift international boycott	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Yes	53.3	49.9	59.0
No	39.3	43.3	32.4
No Answer/don't know	7.4	6.8	8.6

4. Resume the peace process	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441

Yes	47.9	46.6	50.1
No	44.2	46.0	41.0
No Answer/don't know	7.9	7.4	8.9

5. Combat corruption and undertake reform needed	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Yes	67.8	63.0	76.0
No	26.4	31.4	17.7
No Answer/don't know	5.8	5.6	6.3

Q26. What do you think of the role the US Secretary of State, Rice is playing in reviving the peace process? Is It?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
A very positive role	0.8	0.7	1.1
A positive role	10.7	10.3	11.3
A negative role	34.3	31.2	39.7
A very negative role	48.1	53.0	39.7
Don't know	5.0	4.1	6.6
No answer	1.1	0.7	1.6

Q27. In your opinion, did the US Secretary of State Rice's efforts in the region make the image of the US?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Better than before	4.6	6.3	1.6
Worse than before	44.4	44.5	44.2
Didn't change	46.3	44.3	49.9
No Answer/don't know	4.7	4.9	4.3

Q28. With regards to the German policy concerning the Palestinian – Israeli conflict, do you think Germany is biased more towards the Israelis, the Palestinians, or it's not biased at all?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Germany is biased more towards the Israelis	61.1	60.8	61.7
Germany is biased more towards the Palestinians	4.3	4.0	5.0
Not biased at all	21.5	21.4	21.5
No Answer/don't know	13.1	13.8	11.8

Q29. How do you evaluate the Performance of Germany as President of the European Union at present?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n=757	n=441
Good	11.9	8.5	17.7
Average	35.7	33.9	38.8
Bad	34.6	37.1	30.2
Don't know \ No opinion	16.9	19.4	12.7

No answer	0.9	1.1	0.6
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***The question was open-ended**

Q30. Which Palestinian Personality do you trust the most?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n=1198	n= 757	n= 441
Ismaeel Haniyeh	19.5	13.9	29.3
Mahmoud Abbas (abu Mazen)	12.4	12.9	11.6
Marwan Barghouthi	5.1	6.9	2.0
Muhammad Dahlan	4.5	1.3	10.0
Mustafa Barghouthi	3.4	3.3	3.6
Khaled Misha'el	2.8	2.5	3.2
Yasser Arfat	2.8	4.1	0.5
Ahmad Sa'adat	2.2	2.2	2.0
Mahmoud a-Zahar	1.5	1.5	1.6
Ahmad Yassin	1.1	1.7	0.0
Other personalities	11.5	12.4	10.0
Don't trust anyone	27.3	30.0	22.7
No answer	5.9	7.3	3.5

*The question was open-ended

Q31. Which Palestinian Faction do you trust the most?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza
	n= 1198	n= 757	n= 441
Fatah	31.4	32.5	29.5
Hamas	25.2	21.5	31.5
PFLP	3.3	3.3	3.2
Islamic Jihad	1.5	1.1	2.3
The Palestinian Initiative	1.4	1.8	0.7
Other Islamic factions	1.7	1.8	1.4
Other factions	2.3	2.1	2.5
Don't trust any faction	27.1	29.2	23.6
No answer	6.1	6.7	5.3

*The question was open-ended