## PEW RESEARCH CENTER June 6-9, 2013 OMNIBUS FINAL TOPLINE N=1,004

#### ASK ALL:

PEW.1 As I read a list of some stories covered by news organizations this past week, please tell me if you happened to follow each news story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely. First, **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] [IF NECESSARY** "Did you follow **[ITEM]** very closely, fairly closely, not too closely or not at all closely?"]

#### PEW.1a-b, d-g PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

C.	Reports about sexual assaults in the military June 6-9, 2013 TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:	18	28	19	35	1
	March 25-29, 1998: The trial of Army Sergeant Major Gene McKinney on charges of sexual misconduct and obstruction of					
	justice May 15-18, 1997: Sexual harassment	10	27	36	27	*
	charges against Army Sergeants	18	43	24	14	1

# PEW.2-PEW.3 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE NO PEW.4-PEW.5

## ASK ALL:

PEWWP.1 From what you've seen and heard, do you think the issue of sexual assault in the military is an extremely important issue, very important, somewhat important, or not too important?

# Jun 6-9

<u>2013</u>

- 44 Extremely important
- 36 Very important
- 13 Somewhat important
- 5 Not too important
- 1 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

## ASK ALL:

PEWWP.2 Do you think sexual assault is **[READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS 1 AND 2]** 

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<u>2013</u>

- 11 More of a problem inside the military
- 23 More of a problem outside the military
- 63 About the same
- 3 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

## Time/CNN TREND FOR COMPARISON:

Do you think sexual harassment is more of a problem inside the military or more of a problem outside the military?

Jun 4-5

<u>1997</u>

- 23 More of a problem inside the military
- 42 More of a problem outside the military
- 24 Same/No difference (VOL.)
- 11 Not sure (VOL.)

# ASK ALL:

PEWWP.3	What's the better way to reduce the problem of sexual assault in the military [READ IN
	ORDER]?

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# <u>2013</u>

- 44 For military leaders address the problem internally, or
- 45 For Congress to make changes to military laws
- 5 Both (VOL.)
- 2 Neither (VOL.)
- 5 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

## ASK ALL:

PEWWP.4 How much confidence do you have that **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** will make the right decisions in addressing the problem of sexual assault in the military – a great deal of confidence, a fair amount of confidence, not too much confidence, or no confidence at all?

		A great <u>deal</u>	A fair <u>amount</u>	Not too <u>much</u>	No confidence <u>at all</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
а.	Military leaders Jun 6-9, 2013	10	42	33	13	2
b.	Congress Jun 6-9, 2013	7	30	37	26	1

# ASK ALL:

PEWWP.5

If you or your friend had a daughter who was thinking of joining the military, would the allegations of sexual misconduct be sufficient reason to tell her to stay out of the military, or not?

TREND FOR COMPARISON:
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Jun 6-9		Feb 18-23	3
<u>2013</u>		<u>1997</u>	
38	Yes	31	Yes
59	No	65	No
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	4	Don't know <b>(VOL.)</b>

#### ASK ALL:

PEWWP.6 Do you think reports of sexual assaults committed by military personnel represent individual acts of misconduct, or do they represent underlying problems with military culture?

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- 54 Represent individual acts of misconduct, or
- 40 Represent underlying problems with military culture
- 6 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

WP.1-WP.4 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED NO QUESTION WP.2