PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS MARCH 2009 POLITICAL SURVEY FINAL TOPLINE

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QUESTIONS 1 THROUGH 31 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED NO QUESTIONS 32 AND 33 QUESTION 34A PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

ASK ALL:

Q.34 Now, I'd like to get your views on some issues that are being discussed in this country today. All in all, do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]? Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose [NEXT ITEM]?

		FAVOR			OPPOSE			
		Strongly			Strongly			(VOL.)
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	DK/Ref
b. Allowing gays and lesbians to serve openly								
in the military								
March, 2009		59	19	40	32	13	19	9=100
March, 2006		60	20	40	32	13	19	8=100
July, 2005		58	15	43	32	15	17	10 = 100
July, 1994		52	16	36	45	26	19	3=100
c. Re-establishing U.S. di	plomatic relations							
with Cuba								
March, 2009		52	13	39	33	9	24	15=100
February, 2008	Gallup	61			29			10 = 100
December, 2006	Gallup	67			27			6=100
March, 2004	Gallup	55			38			7 = 100
May, 2002	Gallup	55			37			8=100
October, 2000 ¹	Gallup	56			35			9=100
May, 2000	Gallup	57			36			7 = 100
May, 1999	Gallup	71			25			4=100
March, 1999	Gallup	67			27			6=100
April, 1996	Gallup	40			49			11=100
March, 1977	Gallup	53			32			15=100
October, 1974	Gallup	63			37			0=100
d. Setting limits on carbor	n dioxide emissions							
and making companies	pay for their							
emissions, even if it ma	ny mean higher							
energy prices								
March, 2009		59	20	39	33	11	22	8=100

QUESTIONS 35 THROUGH 37 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED NO QUESTIONS 38 THROUGH 42 QUESTIONS 43 THROUGH 49 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED QUESTION 50 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

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In Oct. 2000, May 2000, May 1999 and April 1996 question was worded: "Suppose that on election day this year you could vote on key issues as well as candidates. Please tell me whether you would vote for or against each one of the following propositions. Would you vote – for or against re-establishing U.S. diplomatic relations with Cuba?" In March 1977, question was worded: "Do you think diplomatic relations with Cuba should or should not be re-established?" In October 1974 question was worded: "Suppose that on election day, Nov. 5, you could vote on key issues as well as candidates. Please tell me how you would vote on each of these 14 propositions. Diplomatic relations with Cuba should or should not be re-established?"