### PEW RESEARCH CENTER April 4-7, 2013, OMNIBUS FINAL TOPLINE N=1,003

## PEW.1a-c, e PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

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?"]

|    |   | Very<br>closely | Fairly<br><u>closely</u> | Not too<br>closely | Not at all<br>closely | (VOL.)<br>DK/Ref |
|----|---|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| d. | Military threats from North Korea and its plan                    | -               |                          |                    | <del></del>           |                  |
|    | to restart a nuclear reactor                                      |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | April 4-7, 2013   | 36              | 28                       | 16                 | 20                    | *                |
|    | TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:  |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | February 14-17, 2013: North Korea                                 |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | conducting a nuclear test   | 18              | 23                       | 21                 | 37                    | 1                |
|    | April 12-15, 2012: North Korea's failed                           |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | launch of a rocket carrying a satellite <sup>1</sup>              | 22              | 27                       | 21                 | 29                    | 1                |
|    | March 1-4, 2012: North Korea taking steps                         |                 |                          |                    |                       | _                |
|    | to halt its nuclear program                                       | 17              | 22                       | 24                 | 36                    | 1                |
|    | January 5-8, 2012: The situation in North                         |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | Korea following the death of its leader Kim                       | 4-7             | 2.0                      | 2.4                | 2.0                   | -1-              |
|    | Jong-il   | 17              | 29                       | 24                 | 30                    | *                |
|    | December 2-5, 2010: Tensions between                              | 25              | 20                       | 10                 | 1.0                   |                  |
|    | North Korea and South Korea                                       | 35              | 30                       | 19                 | 16                    | 1                |
|    | May 27-30, 2010   | 19              | 24                       | 24                 | 32                    | 1                |
|    | May 29-June 1, 2009: Reports about North                          | 24              | 26                       | 17                 | 10                    | *                |
|    | Korea testing nuclear weapons and missiles                        | 34              | 36                       | 17                 | 13                    | ~                |
|    | April 3-6, 2009: North Korea's plans to test                      | 23              | 31                       | 19                 | 27                    | *                |
|    | a long range missile<br>June 27-30, 2008: North Korea takes steps | 23              | 31                       | 19                 | 27                    |                  |
|    | to halt its nuclear weapons program                               | 19              | 30                       | 26                 | 24                    | 1                |
|    | February 16-19, 2007: Recent negotiations                         | 19              | 30                       | 20                 | 24                    | 1                |
|    | to shut down North Korea's nuclear                                |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | weapons program   | 15              | 31                       | 22                 | 31                    | 1                |
|    | Late October, 2006: North Korea's                                 | 13              | 31                       | 22                 | 31                    | _                |
|    | announcement that it recently tested a                            |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | nuclear weapon  | 45              | 33                       | 13                 | 8                     | 1                |
|    | February, 2005: North Korea's nuclear                             | .5              | 33                       | 10                 | ŭ                     | -                |
|    | weapons program   | 22              | 34                       | 22                 | 22                    | *                |
|    | September, 2003   | 19              | 32                       | 27                 | 21                    | 1                |
|    | May, 2003   | 27              | 40                       | 22                 | 11                    | *                |
|    | March, 2003   | 34              | 34                       | 19                 | 12                    | 1                |
|    | February, 2003  | 33              | 34                       | 18                 | 13                    | 2                |
|    | January, 2003   | 33              | 34                       | 18                 | 14                    | 1                |
|    | Late October, 2002: North Korea's                                 |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | admission that it has been secretly                               |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | developing nuclear weapons  | 25              | 31                       | 23                 | 20                    | 1                |
|    | June, 1994: Reports about North Korea's                           |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | building of nuclear weapons and refusal to                        |                 |                          |                    |                       |                  |
|    | allow U.N. inspections  | 27              | 33                       | 26                 | 14                    | *                |

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Wording for Thursday, April 12, 2012, was: "North Korea's controversial plan to launch a rocket carrying a satellite" for PEW1.c and PEW2.

## **NO QUESTIONS PEW.2-PEW.3**

### **PEW.4 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

#### **ASK ALL:**

Thinking about North Korea...

PEW.5 In your view, how seriously should the U.S. government take North Korea's threats to use nuclear missiles against the U.S.?

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|-------------|---------------------------|
| <u>2013</u> |                           |
| 56          | Very seriously            |
| 27          | Somewhat seriously        |
| 9           | Not too seriously         |
| 5           | Not at all seriously      |
| 3           | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |

### **ASK ALL:**

PEW.6 From what you've read and heard, do you think North Korea's leadership is really willing to follow through on its threat to use nuclear weapons against the U.S., or not?

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| 47      | Really willing to use         |
| 41      | No, not really willing to use |
| 12      | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)     |

#### ASK ALL:

PEW.7 Do you think North Korea is capable of launching a nuclear missile that could reach the United States, or not?

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47
Yes, is capable
No, is not capable
10
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
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# PEW.8-PEW.10 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE