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### 2015 U.S.-Germany Relations Final Questionnaire

ASK ALL

**Q1** How reliable of an ally is **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? Is **[INSERT ITEM**] very reliable, somewhat reliable, not too reliable or not at all reliable as an ally?

**a.** Britain

**b.** France

**c.** [**GERMANY:** The United States/ **U.S.:** Germany]

1 Very reliable ally

2 Somewhat reliable ally

3 Not too reliable ally

4 Not at all reliable ally

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

ASK ALL

**Q2** Do you approve or disapprove of the way **[INSERT ITEM; ALWAYS ASK A FIRST IN THE U.S., ALWAYS ASK ITEM B FIRST IN GERMANY]** is dealing with U.S.-German relations?

**a.** U.S. President Barack Obama

**b.** German Chancellor Angela Merkel

1 Approve

2 Disapprove

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

ASK ALL IN GERMANY ONLY

**Q3** Which is more important for Germany – to have strong ties with **[RANDOMIZE]** the United States or strong ties with Russia?

1 Strong ties with the United States

2 Strong ties with Russia

3 Equally close ties with both the U.S. and Russia (DO NOT READ)

4 Neither (DO NOT READ)

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

ASK ALL

**Q4** Which of these statements comes closer to your view? **[RANDOMIZE]**

1 [**GERMANY:** Germany/**U.S.:** the U.S.] should deal with its own problems and let other countries deal with their own problems as best they can **[OR]**

2 [**GERMANY:** Germany/**U.S.:** the U.S.] should help other countries deal with their problems

3 Neither (DO NOT READ)

4 Both (DO NOT READ)

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

ASK ALL

**Q5** As you may know, the United States and the European Union are negotiating a free trade agreement called the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, or TTIP **[INTERVIEWERS: PRONOUNCED “T-TIP”]**. Do you think this trade agreement will be a good thing for our country or a bad thing?

1 Good thing

2 Bad thing

3 Haven’t heard enough (DO NOT READ)

4 Neither good nor bad (DO NOT READ)

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

ASK IF SAYS FREE TRADE AGREEMENT IS A BAD THING: Q5=2

**Q6** Here are some reasons people give for why a free trade agreement between the United States and the European Union might be bad for our country. Which of the following is the most important reason why you think a free trade agreement between the U.S. and the EU would be bad for our country: **[RANDOMIZE]**

1 It would give foreign companies that invest in [**GERMANY:** Germany/**U.S.:** the U.S.] unfair advantages

2 It would lower [**GERMANY:** German/**U.S.:** American] food, environmental, and auto safety standards [OR]

3 It would lead to job losses or a decrease in workers’ wages

4 None of the above (DO NOT READ)

5 All of the above (DO NOT READ)

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

ALWAYS ASK Q7 FIRST IN THE U.S. FOLLOWED BY Q8.

ASK Q8 FIRST IN GERMANY FOLLOWED BY Q7.

ASK ALL

**Q7** In your opinion,do you think the U.S. is being too tough, not tough enough, or about right in dealing with Russia on the issue of Ukraine?

1 Too tough

2 Not tough enough

3 About right

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

ASK ALL

**Q8** In your opinion,do you think the European Union is being too tough, not tough enough, or about right in dealing with Russia on the issue of Ukraine?

1 Too tough

2 Not tough enough

3 About right

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

**ASK IN GERMANY ONLY**

**Q9** Thinking about our country’s relations with Russia, which is more important – being tough with Russia on the issue of Ukraine OR havinga strong economic relationship with Russia?

1 Be tough with Russia

2 Strong economic relationship with Russia

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

ASK ALL

Q10 Some people say that Germany should play a more active military role in helping to maintain peace and stability in the world. Other people say that, given its history, Germany should limit its military role in world affairs. Which view is closer to your own?

1 Play a more active military role

2 Limit its military role

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

ASK ALL

**Q11** As you think about relations between the United States and Germany over the last 75 years, which one of these events is most important in your opinion? **[READ CATEGORIES IN REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF THE SAMPLE]** World War II and the Holocaust, the Marshall Plan, the fall of the Berlin Wall, U.S.-German disagreements over the Iraq War, OR U.S. monitoring of [**U.S. ONLY**: **German Chancellor**] Angela Merkel’s communications?

1 World War II and the Holocaust

2 The Marshall Plan

3 The fall of the Berlin Wall

4 U.S.-German disagreements over the Iraq War

5 U.S. monitoring of [**U.S. ONLY**: **German Chancellor**] Angela Merkel’s communications

6 None of the above (DO NOT READ)

8 Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

**NOTE: See full dataset for demographic questions and response categories.**