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**PEW1-PEW4 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

On a different subject...

PEW.5 Do you think the United States has a responsibility to do something about the fighting in Libya between government forces and anti-government groups, or doesn't the United States have this responsibility?

	<u>U.S. has responsibility</u>	<u>Doesn't have responsibility</u>	<b>(VOL.) DK/Ref</b>
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<b>TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:</b>			
June 2007: <i>Ethnic genocide in Darfur</i>	49	34	17
December, 2006	51	36	13
March, 1999: <i>Fighting between ethnic groups in Kosovo, a province of Serbia</i>	47	46	7
June, 1995: <i>Fighting between Serbs and Bosnians in what used to be Yugoslavia</i>	30	64	6

**ASK ALL:**

PEW.6 Would you favor or oppose the United States and its allies doing each of the following with respect to Libya. (First,) **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** ... (Would you favor or oppose this?)

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<b>(VOL.) DK/Ref</b>
a. Increasing economic and diplomatic sanctions on Libya March 10-13, 2011	51	40	9
b. Enforcing a no-fly zone over Libya March 10-13, 2011	44	45	11
c. Bombing Libyan air defenses March 10-13, 2011	16	77	7
d. Sending arms and supplies to anti-government groups in Libya March 10-13, 2011	23	69	8
e. Sending troops into Libya March 10-13, 2011	13	82	5

**RANDOMIZE PEW.7 AND PEW.8**

PEW.7 Which of the following would be the best argument for using military force in Libya? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

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32	It is important to show that America backs democracy
21	Removing Qaddafi will win the support of the Libyan people
20	The U.S. has a moral obligation to stop the violence
13	None –Do not support the use of force <b>(VOL.)</b>
1	Other <b>(VOL.)</b>
1	Multiple reasons <b>(VOL.)</b>
11	Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>

**RANDOMIZE PEW.7 AND PEW.8**

PEW.8 Which of the following would be the best argument for NOT using military force in Libya? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

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| 51 | Our military forces are already overcommitted                      |
| 19 | The opposition groups may be no better than the current government |
| 13 | Libya is not of vital interest to the United States                |
| 5  | None –Support the use of force <b>(VOL.)</b>                       |
| 2  | Other <b>(VOL.)</b>  |
| 2  | Multiple reasons <b>(VOL.)</b>                                     |
| 8  | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>                                   |

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2011 MARCH POLITICAL TYPOLOGY SURVEY B  
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**ASK ALL SURVEY B:****RANDOMIZE QUESTIONS B34 AND B35**

Q.B34 Thinking about recent events in the Middle East, which is more important **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**?

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| 38 | Democratic governments, even if there is less stability in the region |
| 52 | Stable governments, even if there is less democracy in the region     |
| 10 | Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>                                      |

**ALL OTHER QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**