

About the balloting process...

Dear Great Decisions Participants,

As you may already know, my name is Dr. Lauren Prather and I have been working with the Foreign Policy Association (FPA) for the last four years on the National Opinion Ballot (NOB). A version of this letter has appeared in previous briefing books, so I'm only writing a quick hello this year.

My research is primarily focused on international relations. I am a faculty member at the School of Global Policy and Strategy at the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) and have research projects on a range of public opinion topics, from foreign aid to climate change to national security issues. I also teach a class on public opinion and foreign policy for my university.

One of the key difficulties in my research is that the public is often uniformed or misinformed about the topics. This is where you come in! The Great Decisions participants continue to be some of the most informed Americans about foreign policy issues, and the NOB is the perfect opportunity to voice those opinions.

The NOB is also one of the only public opinion surveys in the United States that attempts to gather the opinions of the educated public. Thus, it has great value to researchers and policymakers alike. Some of the questions in which researchers are interested include the following:

- Are the opinions of the educated public significantly different from those of the average American?
- How does public opinion about foreign policy change over time?
- How does public opinion on one foreign policy issue relate to public opinion on other foreign policy issues? For example, are people who support U.S. government policies to mitigate climate change more or less willing to support drilling in the Arctic?
- How do different segments of the population, men or women, liberals or conservatives, view foreign policy choices?

In order to answer the types of questions researchers are interested in, such as how do people's opinions change over time, the NOB needs to have certain attributes. We need to have a way to organize the ballots by participant across all topics. That way, we know, for example, how participant #47 responded to the question about climate change mitigation and how he or she responded to the question about drilling, even if those were in different topics in the NOB. Your random ID number is the **only thing** connected to your responses and **never** your e-mail address. In fact, as a researcher, I must receive the approval of my Institutional Review Board by demonstrating that your data will be protected at all times, and that your responses will be both confidential and anonymous.

If you have any questions or comments, I am always happy to respond via e-mail at LPrather@ucsd.edu. To learn more about my research and teaching, you can visit my website at www.laurenprather.org.

Thank you again to everyone who has participated in the NOB over the years. I have learned a tremendous amount about your foreign policy views and it has greatly informed my own research. In the future, I hope to communicate to the scholarly world and policy communities how the educated American public thinks about foreign policy.

Sincerely,

Lauren Prather

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First, we'd like to ask you for some information about your participation in the Great Decisions program. If you are not currently a Great Decisions program member, please skip to the "background" section.

How long have you participated in the Great Decisions program (i.e., attended one or more discussion sessions)?

- This is the first year I have participated
- I participated in one previous year
- I participated in more than one previous year

How did you learn about the Great Decisions Program?

- Word of mouth
- Local library
- Foreign Policy Association website
- Promotional brochure
- Other organization _____

Where does your Great Decisions group meet?

- Private home
- Library
- Community center
- Learning in retirement
- Other _____

How many hours, on average, do you spend reading one Great Decisions chapter?

- Less than 1 hour
- 1–2 hours
- 3–4 hours
- More than 4 hours

Would you say you have or have not changed your opinion in a fairly significant way as a result of taking part in the Great Decisions program?

- Have
- Have not
- Not sure

Background Section: Next, we'd like to ask you some information about your background.

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Although the media often reports about national and international events and developments, this news is seldom as interesting as the things that happen directly in our own community and neighborhood.

- Agree strongly
- Agree somewhat
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree somewhat
- Disagree strongly

Generally speaking, how interested are you in politics?

- Very much interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not too interested
- Not interested at all

Do you think it is best for the future of the United States if the U.S. takes an active role in world affairs or stays out of world affairs?

- Takes an active role in world affairs
- Stays out of world affairs

How often are you asked for your opinion on foreign policy?

- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

Have you been abroad during the last two years?

- Yes
- No

Do you know, or are you learning, a foreign language?

- Yes
- No

Do you have any close friends or family that live in other countries?

- Yes
- No

Do you donate to any charities that help the poor in other countries?

- Yes
- No

Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent or something else?

- Republican
- Democrat
- Independent
- Other _____

With which gender do you most identify?

- Male
- Female
- Transgender male
- Transgender female
- Gender variant/non-conforming
- Other _____
- Prefer not to answer

What race do you consider yourself?

- White/Caucasian
- Black/African American
- Hispanic/Latino
- Asian American
- Native American
- Other _____
- Prefer not to answer

Were you born in the United States or another country?

- United States
- Another country

Are you a citizen of the United States, another country, or are you a citizen of both the United States and another country?

- United States
- Another country
- United States and another country

How important is religion in your life?

- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not too important
- Not at all important

What is your age? _____

Are you currently employed?

- Full-time employee
- Part-time employee
- Self-employed
- Unemployed
- Retired
- Student
- Homemaker

What are the first three digits of your zip code? (This will allow us to do a state-by-state breakdown of results.)

Can you give us an estimate of your household income in 2017 before taxes?

- Below \$30,000
- \$30,000–\$50,000
- \$50,000–\$75,000
- \$75,000–\$100,000
- \$100,000–\$150,000
- Over \$150,000
- Not sure
- Prefer not to say

What is the highest level of education you have completed?

- Did not graduate from high school
- High school graduate
- Some college, but no degree (yet)
- 2-year college degree
- 4-year college degree
- Some postgraduate work, but no degree (yet)
- Post-graduate degree (MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, etc.)

Now we would like to ask you some ballot questions from previous years:

1. From 2016's "Nuclear security": How likely do you think it is that the U.S. will experience a nuclear terrorist attack in the near future?

- Very likely
- Somewhat likely
- Not too likely
- Not likely at all

2. From 2015's "The future of Kurdistan": To what extent do you support or oppose the Turkish government's bombing of Kurdish regions in Turkey against militants fighting for independence?

- Strongly support
- Somewhat support
- Neither support nor oppose
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

3. From 2013's "Turkey's challenges": How likely or not do you think it is that Turkey will join the European Union?

- Very likely
- Somewhat likely
- Not too likely
- Not likely at all

4. From 2011's "Promoting democracy": In your opinion, which method of promoting democracy is the most appropriate unilateral U.S. strategy?

- Diplomacy
- Sanctions (includes conditional aid)
- Democracy assistance in the form of funding, training, organizing, etc.
- Military force

5. From 2011's "Cybersecurity": Which of the following is the most compelling argument for cyberspace governance?

- The proliferation of internationalized cybercrime
- The incidence of "political" cyber-attacks (e.g. pro-nationalist hackers)
- The impact of cyber activity on foreign and military policy
- The possibility of a cyber "arms race" in the near future
- Other

6. From 2010's "Caucasus": Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statement: U.S. relations with the regional powers, Russia and Turkey, are more important and should have priority over relations with other states in the region.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

7. From 2013's "Trade": People debate whether the U.S. government should increase restrictions on imports, keep restrictions on imports at current levels or decrease restrictions on imports. What do you think the U.S. government should do?

- Increase restrictions on imports
- Keep restrictions on imports at current levels
- Decrease restrictions on imports

8. From 2002's "Alone or together: the U.S. and the world": Overall, have organizations such as the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the World Trade Organization done more good than harm for poor nations?

- More good
- More harm
- Both equally

9. From 2013's "Defense technology": Do you think the U.S. government should increase, maintain or decrease the amount of money it spends on programs to develop new defense technologies?

- Increase the amount
- Maintain the current amount
- Decrease the amount

10. From 2009's "The global financial crisis and its effects": Which of the following statements best describes the future U.S. role in the world?

- The U.S. will remain the dominant power for the next 10 years
- The U.S. will remain the dominant power for the foreseeable future
- The U.S. is no longer the dominant global power

11. From 2007's "U.S.-China economic relations": In terms of the U.S., do you see China's surging economy as:

- A threat, taking jobs from the U.S.
- A boon, providing cheap goods to the U.S.
- Both

12. From 2007's "Russia and 'Putinism'": Considering the following, do you believe that, as a matter of policy, the U.S. should:

12.1 Actively seek a closer and more stable relationship with Russia?

- Yes
- No

12.2 Attempt to have friendly relations with the former Russian republics but avoid meddling in Moscow's 'sphere of influence'?

- Yes
- No

12.3 Make strong efforts to establish close ties to those former Russian republics that could be most use to the U.S. for security reasons or to promote stable access to fossil fuels for the U.S. and its European allies?

- Yes
- No

13. From 2014's "Syria's Refugee Crisis": In general, do you support or oppose Western countries sending arms and military supplies to anti-government groups in Syria?

- Support strongly
- Support somewhat
- Oppose somewhat
- Oppose strongly
- Not sure

Topic I. The waning of Pax Americana?

1. Have you engaged in any of the following activities related to the "Waning of Pax Americana?" topic? Mark all that you have done or mark none of the above.

- Read the article on Pax Americana in the 2018 Great Decisions briefing book
- Discussed the article on Pax Americana with a Great Decisions discussion group
- Discussed the article on Pax Americana with friends and family
- Followed news related to Pax Americana
- Taken a class in which you learned about issues related to Pax Americana
- Have or had a job related to Pax Americana
- None of the above

2. How interested would you say you are in issues related to Pax Americana?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not too interested
- Not at all interested

3. What kind of leadership role should the United States play in the world? Should it be the dominant world leader, play a shared leadership role or not play any leadership role?

- Dominant world leader
- Shared leadership role
- Should not play any leadership role

4. Do you believe that globalization, especially the increasing connections of the U.S. economy with others around the world, is mostly good or mostly bad for the United States?

- Mostly good
- Mostly bad

5. Which of the following comes closest to your view on international agreements between the United States and other countries?

- They mostly benefit the United States
- They mostly benefit other countries
- They benefit both the United States and other countries
- They benefit neither

6. How effective do you think each of the following approaches is to achieving the foreign policy goals of the United States?

6.1. International agreements

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Not too effective
- Not effective at all

6.2. Participating in international organizations

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Not too effective
- Not effective at all

6.3. Signing free trade agreements with other countries

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Not too effective
- Not effective at all

6.4. Economic aid to other countries

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Not too effective
- Not effective at all

7. Compared to ten years ago, do you think the United States is more powerful as a world leader today, less powerful as a world leader today or about as powerful a world leader as it was ten years ago?

- More powerful
- Less powerful
- About as powerful

8. Thinking about the future of the U.S., please indicate whether you feel generally optimistic or generally pessimistic about America’s role as a global leader in the world.

- Generally optimistic
- Generally pessimistic

9. Would you like to share any other thoughts with us about the waning of Pax Americana? If so, please use the space below.

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Topic 2. Russia’s foreign policy

1. Have you engaged in any of the following activities related to the “Russia’s foreign policy” topic? Mark all that you have done or mark none of the above.

- Read the article on Russia’s foreign policy in the 2018 Great Decisions briefing book
- Discussed the article on Russia’s foreign policy with a Great Decisions discussion group
- Discussed the article on Russia’s foreign policy with friends and family
- Followed news related to Russia’s foreign policy
- Taken a class in which you learned about issues related to Russia’s foreign policy
- Have or had a job related to Russia’s foreign policy
- Traveled to Russia
- None of the above

2. How interested would you say you are in issues related to Russia’s foreign policy?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not too interested
- Not at all interested

3. In general, do you think that Russia’s power and influence is a major threat, a minor threat or not a threat to the U.S.?

- Major threat
- Minor threat
- Not a threat

4. Do you think the Russian hacking into the 2016 U.S. elections poses a major threat, a minor threat or no threat at all to future elections in the United States? If you don’t think Russia was involved with hacking the 2016 U.S. elections, please say so.

- Major threat
- Minor threat
- No threat
- I do not believe Russia was involved with hacking the 2016 U.S. elections

5. If the United States reduces its role on the world stage, how likely do you think it is that Russia will benefit compared to other countries?

- Very likely
- Somewhat likely
- Not too likely
- Not likely at all

6. Do you think the government of Russia respects the personal freedoms of its people or do you think the government of Russia does not respect the personal freedoms of its people?

- Respects the personal freedoms of its people
- Does not respect the personal freedoms of its people

7. Do you consider Russia to be a friend or an enemy of the United States?

- Friend
- Enemy

8. If Russia got into a serious military conflict with one of its neighboring countries that is a NATO ally of the United States, do you think the United States should or should not use military force to defend that country?

- Should use military force
- Should not use military force

9. Which of the following poses the greatest immediate threat to the United States: North Korea, Iran, Russia, China or ISIS?

- North Korea
- Iran
- Russia
- China
- ISIS

10. Would you like to share any other thoughts with us about Russia's foreign policy? If so, please use the space below.

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Topic 3. China and America

1. Have you engaged in any of the following activities related to the "China and America" topic? Mark all that you have done or mark none of the above.

- Read the article on China in the 2018 Great Decisions briefing book
- Discussed the article on China with a Great Decisions discussion group
- Discussed the article on China with friends and family
- Followed news related to China
- Taken a class in which you learned about issues related to China
- Have or had a job related to China
- Traveled to China
- None of the above

2. How interested would you say you are in issues related to China?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not too interested
- Not at all interested

3. Do you think that China's power and influence is a major threat, a minor threat or not a threat to the United States?

- Major threat
- Minor threat
- Not a threat

4. Do you think the government of China respects the personal freedoms of its people or do you think the government of China does not respect the personal freedoms of its people?

- Respects the personal freedoms of its people
- Does not respect the personal freedoms of its people

5. If the United States reduces its role on the world stage, how likely do you think it is that China will benefit compared to other countries?

- Very likely
- Somewhat likely
- Not too likely
- Not likely at all

6. To what extent do you approve or disapprove of the way President Donald Trump is handling U.S. policy toward China?

- Strongly approve
- Somewhat approve
- Somewhat disapprove
- Strongly disapprove

7. Which concerns you more about China: its economic strength or its military strength?

- Its economic strength
- Its military strength

8. Below is a list of things that may be problems for the U.S. For each one, please indicate if you think it is a very serious problem, a somewhat serious problem, not too serious a problem or not a problem at all.

8.1. The loss of U.S. jobs to China

- Very serious problem
- Somewhat serious problem
- Not too serious a problem
- Not a problem at all

8.2. The U.S. trade deficit with China

- Very serious problem
- Somewhat serious problem
- Not too serious a problem
- Not a problem at all

8.3. China's policies on human rights

- Very serious problem
- Somewhat serious problem
- Not too serious a problem
- Not a problem at all

8.4. Tensions between China and Taiwan

- Very serious problem
- Somewhat serious problem
- Not too serious a problem
- Not a problem at all

8.5. China's impact on the global environment

- Very serious problem
- Somewhat serious problem
- Not too serious a problem
- Not a problem at all

8.6. The large amount of American debt that is held by China

- Very serious problem
- Somewhat serious problem
- Not too serious a problem
- Not a problem at all

8.7. Territorial disputes between China and neighboring countries

- Very serious problem
- Somewhat serious problem
- Not too serious a problem
- Not a problem at all

9. Would you like to share any other thoughts with us about China and America? If so, please use the space below.

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Topic 4. Media and foreign policy

1. Have you engaged in any of the following activities related to the "Media and foreign policy" topic? Mark all that you have done or mark none of the above.

- Read the article on media and foreign policy in the 2018 Great Decisions briefing book
- Discussed the article on media and foreign policy with a Great Decisions discussion group
- Discussed the article on media and foreign policy with friends and family
- Followed news related to media and foreign policy
- Taken a class in which you learned about issues related to media and foreign policy
- Have or had a job related to media and foreign policy
- None of the above

2. How interested would you say you are in issues related to media and foreign policy?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not too interested
- Not at all interested

3. Overall, do you think the U.S. government is doing enough or not doing enough to protect the government's computer systems from a future cyber-attack?

- Doing enough
- Not doing enough

4. How important is it to you that the news media hold public officials accountable?

- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not so important
- Not important at all

5. What type of effect are the national news media having on the way things are going in the U.S. these days? A positive effect, a negative effect, a mixed effect, or neither a positive nor a negative effect?

- Positive
- Negative
- Mixed
- Neither

6. Would you say that the tensions between the Trump administration and the U.S. news media are getting in the way or not getting in the way of Americans' access to important national political news and information?

- Getting in the way
- Not getting in the way

7. How often do you get news from social media, such as Facebook or Twitter?

- Often
- Sometimes
- Hardly ever
- Never

8. How much do you trust information you see on social media, such as Facebook or Twitter?

- A lot
- Somewhat
- Not too much
- Not at all

9. Would you like to share any other thoughts with us about media and foreign policy? If so, please use the space below.

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Topic 5. Turkey: a partner in crisis

1. Have you engaged in any of the following activities related to the "Turkey" topic? Mark all that you have done or mark none of the above.

- Read the article on Turkey in the 2018 Great Decisions briefing book
- Discussed the article on Turkey with a Great Decisions discussion group
- Discussed the article on Turkey with friends and family
- Followed news related to Turkey
- Taken a class in which you learned about issues related to Turkey
- Have or had a job related to Turkey
- Traveled to Turkey
- None of the above

2. How interested would you say you are in issues related to Turkey?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not too interested
- Not at all interested

3. Do you consider Turkey to be a friend or an enemy of the United States?

- Friend
- Enemy

4. Please indicate how you view Turkey's relationship with the United States: Do you consider it a strong ally, somewhat of an ally, somewhat of an enemy or a bitter enemy?

- Strong ally
- Somewhat of an ally
- Somewhat of an enemy
- A bitter enemy

5. Do you think President Donald Trump considers Turkey to be a friend or an enemy of the United States?

- Friend
- Enemy

6. Do you think the United States should or should not have long-term military bases in Turkey?

- Should have long-term military bases in Turkey
- Should not have long-term military bases in Turkey

7. To what extent do you approve or disapprove of the way Turkey is handling the Syrian crisis?

- Strongly approve
- Somewhat approve
- Somewhat disapprove
- Strongly disapprove

8. Do you think the government of Turkey respects the personal freedoms of its people or do you think the government of Turkey does not respect the personal freedoms of its people?

- Respects the personal freedoms of its people
- Does not respect the personal freedoms of its people

9. Please indicate whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with the following statement: Turkey contributes to peace and stability in the Arab world.

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

10. Would you like to share any other thoughts with us about Turkey? If so, please use the space below.

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Topic 6. U.S. global engagement and the military

1. Have you engaged in any of the following activities related to the “U.S. global engagement and the military” topic? Mark all that you have done or mark none of the above.

- Read the article on U.S. global engagement and the military in the 2018 Great Decisions briefing book
- Discussed the article on U.S. global engagement and the military with a Great Decisions discussion group
- Discussed the article on U.S. global engagement and the military with friends and family
- Followed news related to U.S. global engagement and the military
- Taken a class in which you learned about issues related to U.S. global engagement and the military
- Have or had a job related to the military
- None of the above

2. How interested would you say you are in issues related to U.S. global engagement and the military?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not too interested
- Not at all interested

3. How effective do you think each of the following approaches is to achieving the foreign policy goals of the United States?

3.1. Maintaining existing alliances

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective

- Not too effective
- Not effective at all

3.2. Maintaining U.S. military superiority

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Not too effective
- Not effective at all

3.3. Building new alliances with other countries

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Not too effective
- Not effective at all

3.4. Military intervention

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Not too effective
- Not effective at all

3.5. Military aid to other countries

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Not too effective
- Not effective at all

3.6. Which of the following comes closest to your view on U.S. security alliances in East Asia?

- Mostly benefit the U.S.
- Mostly benefit our allies
- Benefit both the U.S. and our allies
- Benefit neither

3.7. What about security alliances with countries in Europe?

- Mostly benefit the U.S.
- Mostly benefit our allies
- Benefit both the U.S. and our allies
- Benefit neither

3.8. Finally, what about our security alliances with countries in the Middle East?

- Mostly benefit the U.S.
- Mostly benefit our allies
- Benefit both the U.S. and our allies
- Benefit neither

4. Some people say that NATO is still essential to U.S. security. Others say it is no longer essential. Which of these views is closer to your own?

- NATO is still essential to U.S. security
- NATO is no longer essential to U.S. security

5. There has been some discussion about circumstances that might justify using U.S. troops in other parts of the world. To what extent would you favor or oppose the use of U.S. troops in the following situations?

5.1. To stop or prevent a government from using chemical or biological weapons against its own people

- Strongly favor
- Somewhat favor
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

5.2. To deal with humanitarian crises

- Strongly favor
- Somewhat favor
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

5.3. To fight against violent Islamic extremist groups in Iraq and Syria

- Strongly favor
- Somewhat favor

- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

5.4. If North Korea invaded South Korea

- Strongly favor
- Somewhat favor
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

5.5. If Russia invaded a NATO ally like Latvia, Lithuania or Estonia

- Strongly favor
- Somewhat favor
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

5.6. If China initiated a military conflict with Japan over disputed islands

- Strongly favor
- Somewhat favor
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

5.7. If Russia invaded the rest of Ukraine

- Strongly favor
- Somewhat favor
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

6. Do you think that the U.S. military presence in the following regions should be increased, maintained at its present level or decreased?

6.1. Europe

- Increased
- Decreased
- Maintained at present level

6.2. Asia-Pacific

- Increased
- Decreased
- Maintained at present level

6.3. Middle East

- Increased
- Decreased
- Maintained at present level

6.4. Africa

- Increased
- Decreased
- Maintained at present level

6.5. Latin America

- Increased
- Decreased
- Maintained at present level

7. Would you like to share any other thoughts with us about U.S. global engagement and the military? If so, please use the space below.

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Topic 7. South Africa's fragile democracy

1. Have you engaged in any of the following activities related to the "South Africa's fragile democracy" topic? Mark all that you have done or mark none of the above.

- Read the article on South Africa in the 2018 Great Decisions briefing book
- Discussed the article on South Africa with a Great Decisions discussion group
- Discussed the article on South Africa with friends and family
- Followed news related to South Africa
- Taken a class in which you learned about issues related to South Africa
- Have or had a job related to South Africa
- Traveled to South Africa
- None of the above

2. How interested would you say you are in issues related to South Africa?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not too interested
- Not at all interested

3. Overall, how much of a democracy do you think South Africa is today?

- A full democracy
- A democracy, but with minor problems
- A democracy, but with major problems

4. Do you think South Africa is having a mainly positive or mainly negative influence in the world?

- Mainly positive
- Mainly negative

5. Do you feel that South Africa is a close ally of the U.S., is friendly but not a close ally, is not friendly but not an enemy, or is unfriendly and is an enemy of the U.S.?

- Close ally of the U.S.
- Friendly but not a close ally
- Not friendly but not an enemy
- Unfriendly and is an enemy of the U.S.

6. To what extent would you favor or oppose adding South Africa as a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council?

- Strongly favor
- Somewhat favor
- Somewhat oppose
- Strongly oppose

7. Generally, do you think American foreign policy has a positive effect on South Africa or a negative effect, or does American foreign policy have no effect on South Africa?

- Positive effect
- Negative effect
- No effect

8. In making international policy decisions, to what extent do you think the United States takes into account the interests of South Africa: a great deal, a fair amount, not too much or not at all?

- A great deal
- A fair amount
- Not too much
- Not at all

9. Would you like to share any other thoughts with us about South Africa's fragile democracy? If so, please use the space below.

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Topic 8. Global health: progress and challenges

1. Have you engaged in any of the following activities related to the “Global health” topic? Mark all that you have done or mark none of the above.

- Read the article on global health in the 2018 Great Decisions briefing book
- Discussed the article on global health with a Great Decisions discussion group
- Discussed the article on global health with friends and family
- Followed news related to global health
- Taken a class in which you learned about issues related to global health
- Have or had a job related to global health
- None of the above

2. How interested would you say you are in issues related to global health?

- Very interested
- Somewhat interested
- Not too interested
- Not at all interested

3. When it comes to efforts to improve health in developing countries, do you think the U.S. should or should not give money to each of the following?

3.1. To international organizations like the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

- Should give money
- Should not give money

3.2. To international organizations like the United Nations and the World Health Organization

- Should give money
- Should not give money

3.3. Directly to U.S.-based non-profits operating programs in developing countries

- Should give money
- Should not give money

3.4. Directly to local non-profits based in developing countries and not in the U.S.

- Should give money
- Should not give money

3.5. Directly to religious or faith-based organizations

- Should give money
- Should not give money

3.6. Directly to governments in developing countries

- Should give money
- Should not give money

4. In terms of what the U.S. government could spend on foreign aid, do you think combating global outbreaks of diseases like Ebola and Zika should be one of the top priorities, important but not a top priority or not that important?

- One of the top priorities
- Important but not a top priority
- Not that important

5. To what extent do you agree or disagree that Americans will be better off if the U.S. government invests in global health research?

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

6. To what extent do you agree or disagree that it is a moral obligation for the U.S. government to spend money supporting global health research?

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

7. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement? The U.S. government should not spend money on global health because the problems of global health are just too big to be solved.

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

8. Would you like to share any other thoughts with us about global health? If so, please use the space below.

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