Module 1
Description of Sample and Data Collection

I. Country: BELGIUM, FRENCH-SPEAKING PART (WALLONIA AND FRENCH-SPEAKING PEOPLE OF BRUSSELS REGION)

II. Type of Election (e.g. presidential; parliamentary; legislative): PARLIAMENTARY

III. Date of Election: 13 June, 1999

IV. Organization that Conducted the Survey Field Work: Point d'appui Interuniversitaire sur l'Opinion publique et la Politique (PIOP)

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VI. Study Design (check one)
   x ___ Post-Election Study
   ___ Pre-/Post-Election Panel Study

VII. Dates of Interviewing
    Date Post-Election Interviewing Began: September 1999
    Date Post-Election Interviewing Ended: January 2000

    (If Panel Study)
    Date Pre-Election Interviewing Began:
    Date Pre-Election Interviewing Ended:

VIII. Mode of interview (check one)
      x ___ In person, face-to-face
      ___ Telephone
      x ___ Mail or self-completion supplement

IX. Sample Design and Sampling Procedures

1. Eligibility Requirements
   a) age: ___ 18 at election day
   b) citizenship: Yes ___ x No ___
   c) other:

2. Persons Excluded From the Sample Frame
a) Were any regions of the country excluded from the sample frame?
   Yes ___ No ___ x If yes, explain:

b) Were institutionalized persons excluded from the sample?
   Yes ___ No ___ x

c) Were military personnel excluded from the sample?
   Yes ___ No ___ x

d) (If telephone interview) Estimated percentage of households without a phone: ___%

e) (If telephone interview) Were unlisted telephone numbers included in the population sampled? Yes ___ No ___

f) Other persons excluded from the sample frame: citizens living abroad

g) Estimated total (a+b+c+d+e+f) percentage of the eligible population excluded from the sample frame: <1 %

3.1 Sampling Method (if Face-to-Face)
a) Describe how the primary sampling units were selected: For French-speaking part (Wallonia and French-speakers of Brussel: Part of the respondents were panel respondents who cooperated in 1991 and (or) 1995 and the other part was a cross-section. For the cross-section (and the first use of the panel in 1991) a two stage sampling procedure was used. Primary units were municipalities, selected according to their population size.

   Were the primary sampling units randomly selected?  
   Yes x No ___

b) Was there a second stage selection? Yes x No ___

c) Describe the method by which the second stage sampling units were selected: Secondary units were selected at random within the primary units (municipalities), from the electoral registers.

   Were the secondary sampling units randomly selected?  
   Yes x No ___

d) Was a selection table used to select the respondent within the household?  
   Yes ___ No x If no, describe:

e) Under what circumstances was a sample line designated non-sample?  (Check all that apply)
   ____ All members of household are ineligible
   ____ Housing unit is vacant
   ____ No answer at housing unit
   ____ Other, explain:

f) Were non-sample replacement methods used?  
   Yes x No ___
   If yes, describe: Replacement was taken in the same municipality as the respondent

3.2 Sampling Method (if telephone)
a) Describe how the sample was drawn

b) Was the sample a random digit dial sample?  
   Yes ___ No ___

listed sample?  
   Yes ___ No ___

dual frame?  
   Yes ___ No ___

   (if dual frame) % list frame: ___; % random-digit dial: ___

c) Was a selection table used to select the respondent within the household?  
   Yes ___ No ___ If no, describe:

d) Criteria for designating a sample line non-sample.  (Check all that apply)
___ All members of household ineligibles
___ Non-residential phone
___ No answer (if so), after how many calls to number? ___
___ Non-working number
___ Other, explain:

e) Were non-sample replacement methods used? Yes ___ No ___
   If yes describe:

3.3 Sampling Method (if mail / self completion)
a) Describe how the sample was drawn
b) Was the sample a listed sample? Yes ___ No ___
c) Was a selection table used to select the respondent within the household? Yes ___ No ___ If no, describe:
d) Criteria for designating a sample line non-sample. (Check all that apply)
   ___ All members of household ineligibles
   ___ Housing unit is vacant
   ___ Other, explain:

e) Were non-sample replacement methods used? Yes ___ No ___
   If yes describe:

4. Compliance
a) Pre-Study Strategies: Prior to the study was
   a letter sent to respondent? Yes x No ___
   payment sent to respondent? Yes ___ No x
   a token gift sent to respondent? Yes ___ No x
   any other incentives used? Yes ___ No x
   
   If yes, describe:
b) During the Field Period
   Maximum number of contacts with the household before declaring
   it non-sample: no max (min.3)
   Maximum number of contacts with the household before declaring
   it non-interview: no max
   Maximum number of days over which a household was contacted: no max
   Did interviewers vary the time of day at which they recontacted
   the household? Yes ___ No x

c) Refusal Conversion
   Was an effort made to persuade respondents who were reluctant
   to be interviewed? Yes ___ No ___ If No (go to Section X)
   Were respondents who were reluctant to be interviewed sent a
   letter persuading them to take part? Yes ___ No ___
   Was payment offered to respondents who were reluctant to take
   part? Yes ___ No ___
   Were respondents who were reluctant to take part turned over to
   a more experienced interviewer? Yes ___ No ___
   Maximum number of recontacts used to persuade respondent to be
   interviewed: ______
   Other methods used to persuade respondents reluctant to be
   interviewed to take part:

X. Response Rate  (to first wave if a panel study)

See appendix 1
a) Total number of sample lines issued: ________
b) Total number of completed interviews: ________
c) Number of refusals: ________
d) Number never contacted (no-contact): ________
e) Other non-response: ________
f) Number of lines of non-sample: ________
g) Response Rate: (b/(a-f))*100: ________

XI. Panel Attrition (Complete only if CSES questionnaire is administered as part of a 2-wave panel study)

a) Total number of respondents in wave I of the study: _____
b) Number of wave I respondents re-interviewed in wave containing CSES Module: ________
c) Percent panel attrition ((a-b)/a)*100: ________
d) Panel attrition by age: ________

Age % Reinterviewed
18-25 _____ %
26-40 _____ %
41-65 _____ %
65 & over _____ %
e) Panel attrition by education:

Education % Reinterviewed
None _____ %
Incomplete primary _____ %
Primary completed _____ %
Incomplete secondary _____ %
Secondary completed _____ %
University incomplete _____ %
University degree _____ %

XII. Sample Weight

a) Are the data weighted? Yes x No ___ If yes:
b) Are the data weighted to compensate for disproportionate probability of selection at the person or household level? Yes ___ No x
c) Are the data weighted to match known demographic characteristics of the population? Yes x No ___
d) Are the data weighted to correct for non-response? Yes x No ___

XIII. Description of interviewers (age, level of education, and years of experience):
All ages, from lower to higher educated, from 0 to several years of experience
Description of interviewer training: extensive

XIV. Comparison of Sample to Population

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XV. Languages used in the interviews. List:

French

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