Description of Sample and Data Collection

I. Country: Belarus

III. Date of Election:
parliamentary: 1 round - October 15, 2000; 2 round - October 29, 2000
repeated parliamentary elections: 1 round - March, 18, 2001; 2 round - April, 01, 2001.
presidential - September, 09, 2001.

IV. Organization that Conducted the Survey Field Work: Center of Sociological and Political Research (CSPR) at Belarussian State University (BSU).

V. Investigators Responsible for Data Collection

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VI. Study Design (check one)
Post-Election Study

VII. Dates of Interviewing
Date Post-Election Interviewing Began: September, 24, 2001.
Date Post-Election Interviewing Ended: October, 06, 2001.

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

IX. Sample Design and Sampling Procedures

1. Eligibility Requirements
   a) age: 18 years and older
   b) citizenship: Yes __ No ___
   c) other:

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

   b) Were institutionalized persons excluded from the sample?
      Yes __ No _+_
   c) Were military personnel excluded from the sample?
      Yes ___ No _+_
   f) Other persons excluded from the sample frame: No
   g) Estimated total (a+b+c+d+e+f) percentage of the eligible population excluded from the sample frame: 0 %

3.1 Sampling Method (if Face-to-Face)
   a) Describe how the primary sampling units were selected: collection of information was carried on in accordance with the itinerary.
Were the primary sampling units randomly selected?  
Yes +_ No ___

b) Was there a second stage selection?  Yes ___ No _+_
d) Was a selection table used to select the respondent within the household?  Yes _+_, according to the closest birthday.  No ___ If no, describe:

f) 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 ___ No _+_
payment sent to respondent?  Yes ___ No _+_
a token gift sent to respondent?  Yes ___ No _+_
any other incentives used?  Yes ___ No _+_
If yes, describe:

b) During the Field Period
Maximum number of contacts with the household before declaring it non-sample: _1_
Maximum number of contacts with the household before declaring it non-interview: _3_
Maximum number of days over which a household was contacted: _2_
Did interviewers vary the time of day at which they recontacted the household?  Yes _+_ No ___
c) Refusal Conversion
Was an effort made to persuade respondents who were reluctant to be interviewed?  Yes ___ No _+_ If No (go to Section X)

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

XIII. Description of interviewers (age, level of education, and years of experience):67 interviewers participated in the survey. They are:
18-29 years old - 29 people; 30-44 years old - 18 people; 45-55 years old - 20 people; with higher or incomplete higher education - 46 people.
All the interviewers have more than 2 year experience of conducting sociological interviews.

Description of interviewer training: before the beginning of the survey the heads of regional centers of questionnaire net were instructed (from Minsk city, Minsk, Vitebsk, Brest, Grodno, Mogilev regions). After that the heads of regional centers instructed the interviewers in the regions.

XIV. Comparison of Sample to Population: Attention: age groups and education groups are made up in accordance with the data of the Central Statistic Department of the Republic of Belarus.

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**Education**

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**Gender**

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**XV. Languages used in the interviews. List: Russian**