Special Public Opinion Questionnaire – National Level
April, 2000

Good morning/afternoon, my name is… I am an interviewer of Datum Internacional. We are doing a study in order to find out what the public opinion thinks about the actual situation of the country. The data you will provide us will be used statistically and confidentially. Thank you very much.

Let’s talk about democracy and the election principles

1. On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied, or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Peru?
   1. Very satisfied
   2. Satisfied
   3. Not very satisfied
   4. Not at all satisfied
   98. Don’t know/No answer

Give Card 1

2. In some countries, people believe their elections are conducted fairly. In other countries, people believe that their elections are conducted unfairly. Thinking of the last election on April 9th in Peru, where would you place on this scale of one to five, where one means that the last election was conducted fairly and five means that the last election was conducted unfairly?
   1. Last election was conducted fairly
   2.
   3.
   4.
   5. Last election was conducted unfairly
   98. Don’t know/No answer

Collect card 1 and continue

3. Do you usually think of yourself as close to any particular political party or group?
   1. Yes (Go to q.4)
   2. No (Skip to q.6)
   98. Don’t know/No answer (Skip to q.6)

4. Which political party or group do you feel close to? (Write down parties/groups mentioned spontaneously and keep the order of in which they were mentioned. No more than 3 answers)

   • Avancemos
   • Partido Aprista Peruano
   • Acción Popular
   • Frente Independiente Moralizador
   • FREPAP
   • Unión por el Perú
If he/she mentions only one political party in q.4 skip to q.8. If he/she mentions two or more political parties in q.4. go to q.5. If he/she doesn’t know or he/she doesn’t answer skip to q.12

5. Which party (mention political parties/groups mentioned in q.4) do you feel closest to? (One answer)

1. Avancemos
2. Partido Aprista Peruano
3. Acción Popular
4. Frente Independiente Moralizador
5. FREPAP
6. Unión por el Perú
7. Somos Perú
8. Solidaridad Nacional
9. Perú Posible

Skip to q. 8

6. Do you feel yourself a little closer to one of the political parties than the others?

1. Yes

2. No (Skip to q.12)

98. Don’t know/No answer (Skip to q.12)

7. Which party is that?

1. Avancemos
2. Partido Aprista Peruano
3. Acción Popular
4. Frente Independiente Moralizador
5. FREPAP
6. Unión por el Perú
7. Somos Perú
8. Solidaridad Nacional
9. Perú Posible
8. In relation to… (Mention the political party to which he/she feels closer), do you feel very close, somewhat close, or not very close?

1. Very close
2. Somewhat close
3. Not very close
98. Don’t know

*If he/she only mention Peru 2000 in q.4 or q.7, ask q. 9, q.10 and q.11*

9. To which movement belonging to Peru 2000 do you feel closest to? (Spontaneous answer and keep the order in which they are mentioned)

- Cambio 90
- Nueva Mayoria
- Vamos Vecino
- Peru al 2000
- Don’t know/No answer

10. Which of these political parties (mention the parties mentioned in q.23) do you feel closest to? (One answer)

1. Cambio 90
2. Nueva Mayoria
3. Vamos Vecino
4. Peru al 2000

11. In relation to… (Mention the political party to which he/she feels closer), do you feel very close, somewhat close, or not very close?

1. Very close
2. Somewhat close
3. Not very close
98. Don’t know

*Give card 2*

12. Some people say that political parties in Peru care what people think. Others say that political parties in Peru don’t care what people think. Using the scale on this card (where one means that political parties care about what people think, and five means that they don’t care what people think) where would you place yourself?

1. Political parties in Peru care what people think
2.
3.
4.
5. Political parties in Peru don’t care what people think
98. Don’t know

*Collect card 2 and give card 3*

13. Some people say that political parities are necessary to make or political work in Peru. Others think that political parties are not needed in Peru. Using this card (where 1 means that political parties are necessary to make our political system work, and five means that political parties are not needed) where would you place your opinion?
1. Political parties are necessary
2.
3.
4.
5. Political parties are not necessary
98. Don’t know/No answer

Collect card 3 and continue

14. Do your happen to remember the name of any candidates who ran in the last congressional election on April, 9th?

1. Yes
2. No (skip to q.16)
3. Don’t know/No answer (skip to q.16)

15. (If he/she doesn’t mention names spontaneously) What names do you remember?

Give card 4

16. I’d like to know what you think about each of our political parties. After I read the name of a political party, please rate it on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means you strongly dislike that party and 10 means that you strongly like that party. If I mention a party you haven’t heard of or you feel you not know enough about, just say so. The first party is… (Read each political party or agrupation)

- Avancemos
- Partido Aprista Peruano
- Acción Popular
- Frente Independiente Moralizador
- FREPAP
- Unión por el Perú
- Somos Perú
- Solidaridad Nacional
- Perú Posible
- Perú 2000

17. And now, using the same scale, I’d like to ask you how much you like or dislike some of the political leaders. Again, if I mention a leader you haven’t heard of or you feel you do not know enough about, just say so. The first political leader is… (Read names)

- Federico Salas
- Abel Salinas
- Víctor García Belaúnde
- Fernando Olivera
- Ezequiel Ataucusi
- Máximo San Román
- Alberto Andrade
- Luis Castañeta Lossio
• Alejandro Toledo
• Alberto Fujimori

Collect card 4 and continue

18. And now, if we talk about the state of economy these days in Peru, would you say that it is very good, good, neither good not bad, bad or very bad?

   1. Very good
   2. Good
   3. Neither good not bad
   4. Bad
   5. Very bad
98. Don’t know/No answer

Give card 5

19. Some people say that members of the Congress know what people think. Others say that member of Congress don’t know much about what people think. Using this card (where 1 means that the members of Congress know what people think, and five means that the members of Congress don’t know much about what people think) where would you place your opinion?

   1. Members of Congress know what people think
   2.
   3.
   4.
   5. Members of Congress don’t know what ordinary people think
98. Don’t know/No answer

Collect card 5 and continue

20. During the past twelve months, have you had any contact with a Member of Congress in any way?

   1. Yes
   2. No

Give card 6

21. Some people say that all the governments are the same and that it doesn’t make a difference who is in power. While others say that it makes difference who is in power. Using this card (where one means that it makes a difference who is in power and five means that it doesn’t make a difference who is in power), where would you place your opinion?

   1. It makes a difference who is in power
   2.
   3.
   4.
   5. It doesn’t make a difference who is in power
98. Don’t know/No answer
22. Some people say that no matter who people vote for, it won’t make any difference to what happens. Others say that who people vote for can make a difference to what happens. Using the card (where one means that voting won’t make a difference to what happens and five means that voting can make a difference), where would you place your opinion?

1. Who people vote for won’t make a difference
2. 
3. 
4. 
5. Who people vote can make a difference
98. Don’t know/No answer

23. When people are asked to express an opinion, do you believe most people in Peru usually say what they think about politics or do you believe most people usually hide what they really think about politics? Using this card (where 1 means that most people say what they think and five that hide it), where would you place your opinion?

1. Most people in Peru usually say what they think about politics
2. 
3. 
4. 
5. Most people usually hide what they really think about politics
98. Don’t know/No answer

24. In politics people sometimes talk of left and right, using this last card, on a scale from 0 to 10, where would you place yourself –on a scale from 0 to 10- where 0 means “left” and 10 means “right”?

25. And, where would you place each political party? (Mention)

- Perú 2000
- Perú Posible
- Partido Aprisa Peruano
- Frente Independiente Moralizador
- Somos Perú
- Solidaridad Nacional

26. Where would you place the following people?

- Alberto Fujimori
- Alejandro Toledo
- Abel Salinas
- Fernando Olivera
- Alberto Andrade
- Luis Castañeda Lossio