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-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted June 5-8, 2014 with a random sample of -1,027—adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. For results based on this sample of national adults, the margin of sampling error is ± 4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

For results based on the sample of -510—national adults in Form A, the margin of sampling error is ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of -517—national adults in Form B, the margins of sampling error is ±5 percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 50% cell phone respondents and 50% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both and cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2013 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2013 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling -- [RANDOM ORDER]?

I. The release of U.S. soldier Bowe Bergdahl, who had been held in Afghanistan by the Taliban for five years

	Approve	Disapprove	No opinion
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14. Which is more important for the U.S. to consider when Americans are held captive by terrorist groups – [ROTATED: assuring the safe release of the American prisoners, even if it means working out some compromise on terrorist demands, (or) discouraging future prisoner-taking by refusing to deal with terrorist demands, even if that risks the lives of the American prisoners]?

	Assuring safe	Refusing to deal	No
	release of prisoners	with terrorists	<u>opinion</u>
2014 Jun 5-8	43	44	13

For comparison: Which is more important -- Assuring the safe release of the American hostages, even if it means working out some compromise on terrorist demands; OR discouraging future hostage-taking by refusing to deal with terrorist demands, even if that risks the lives of the American hostages?

	Assuring safe	Refusing to deal	No
	release of prisoners	with terrorists	<u>opinion</u>
1985 Jun 20-21	47	42	10

15. Next, how closely are you following the news about the release of U.S. Army sergeant Bowe Bergdahl, who had been held captive in Afghanistan by the Taliban for five years but was just released in a prisoner exchange – very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely or not at all?

	Very	Somewhat	Not too	Not	No
	<u>closely</u>	<u>closely</u>	<u>closely</u>	<u>at all</u>	<u>opinion</u>
2014 Jun 5-8	31	34	21	14	1

16. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Bowe Bergdahl, or have you never heard of him?

	Favorable	<u>Unfavorable</u>	Never heard of	No opinion
2014 Jun 5-8	13	37	30	21