

**TOPLINE RESULTS – embargoed until 22.00hrs 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2006**

**VOTING INTENTION:**

	<b>%</b>
<b>CON</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>LAB</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>LIB DEM</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>OTHER</b>	<b>16</b>

**Q1. DO YOU THINK THAT BRITISH TROOPS SHOULD STAY IN IRAQ FOR AS LONG AS IT TAKES TO MAKE SURE THAT IRAQ IS A STABLE DEMOCRACY OR DO YOU THINK THAT BRITISH TROOPS SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN FROM IRAQ AS SOON AS POSSIBLE EVEN IF IRAQ IS NOT COMPLETELY STABLE?**

	<b>ALL</b>	<b>CON</b>	<b>LAB</b>	<b>LD</b>	<b>OTHER</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>STAY UNTIL IRAQ IS STABLE</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>WITHDRAW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>DON'T KNOW</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>

**Q2. DO YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THESE STATEMENTS?**

**“THE WAR IN IRAQ IS UNWINNABLE”**

	<b>ALL</b>	<b>CON</b>	<b>LAB</b>	<b>LD</b>	<b>OTHER</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>AGREE</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>77</b>
<b>DISAGREE</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>DON'T KNOW</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>

**“TONY BLAIR’S SUPPORT FOR GEORGE BUSH’S POLICY IN IRAQ CALLS INTO QUESTION HIS POLITICAL JUDGMENT”**

	<b>ALL</b>	<b>CON</b>	<b>LAB</b>	<b>LD</b>	<b>OTHER</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>AGREE</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>DISAGREE</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>DON'T KNOW</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>

**Q2. DO YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THESE STATEMENTS?**

**“BRITAIN’S EXPERIENCE IN IRAQ MAKES ME LESS LIKELY TO SUPPORT MILITARY INTERVENTION ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD”**

	<b>ALL</b>	<b>CON</b>	<b>LAB</b>	<b>LD</b>	<b>OTHER</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>AGREE</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>DISAGREE</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>DON'T KNOW</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>

**“IF BRITISH AND US TROOPS WITHDRAW FROM IRAQ IT WILL PROBABLY LEAD TO CIVIL WAR IN THAT COUNTRY”**

	<b>ALL</b>	<b>CON</b>	<b>LAB</b>	<b>LD</b>	<b>OTHER</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>AGREE</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>69</b>
<b>DISAGREE</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>DON'T KNOW</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>

**METHODOLOGY NOTE: COMMUNICATERESEARCH TELEPHONED 977 GB ADULTS BETWEEN 20 AND 22 OCTOBER 2006. DATA WERE WEIGHTED TO BE DEMOGRAPHICALLY REPRESENTATIVE OF ALL GB ADULTS. COMMUNICATERESEARCH IS A MEMBER OF THE BRITISH POLLING COUNCIL AND ABIDES BY ITS RULES.**

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