

Table 1A

<i>The Current Public Opinion Climate on Broad National Unity Questions – Late November 1997 –</i>			
(Weighted Bases)	Canada (1516) (%)	Quebec (381) (%)	ROC (1135) (%)
“Profoundly attached to Canada”			
Strongly Agree	73	41	84
Total Agree	89	67	95
“Better in long run for Quebec to separate”			
Strongly Agree	15	26	11
Total Agree	26	39	22
“My province does not get its fair share”			
Strongly Agree	23	33	20
Total Agree	43	56	38
Current State of National Unity:			
Strong as Ever	10	8	11
Weaker, but can be strengthened	58	44	63
Future is threatened	31	46	26

“Now please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statements about Canada in general...

- I feel profoundly attached to Canada*
- It is getting to the point where it would be better in the long run if Quebec were to separate from the rest of Canada*
- My province does not get its fair share from Confederation.”*

“Which of the following broad statements best describes what you think about the current state of national unity in Canada? Do you think: Canada is as strong today as it ever was as far as national unity is concerned; or, National unity has become weaker recently but it can be strengthened; or, Canada is in serious trouble as far as national unity is concerned, to the point that the future of the country is threatened?”

Table 1B

National Unity/Quebec's Future – Tracking Data –									
				Canada		Quebec		ROC	
“I feel profoundly attached to Canada”									
April/May '91				57		30		66	
Strongly Agree				85		62		92	
Total Agree									
Oct '96				67		36		78	
Strongly Agree				88		68		96	
Total Agree									
Nov. '97				73		41		84	
Strongly Agree				89		67		95	
Total Agree									
“...better in the long run if Quebec were to separate from the rest of Canada.”									
% total agree									
Jan '89				24		28		22	
Nov '89				30		40		25	
May '90				31		53		24	
May '94				29		40		25	
Oct '95				N/A		N/A		23	
Nov '95				31		47		26	
Oct '96				27		42		21	
Nov '97				26		39		22	
“My province does not get its fair share”									
% total agree									
	Canada	BC	Alta	Man/Sask	Ontario	Quebec	Atlantic		
April/May 1991	49	69	58	67	21	63	66		
Nov. '97	43	57	40	56	23	56	60		

Table 2

<i>National Unity Issues By Voters' Federal Party Choice</i>						
	Liberal	Reform	BQ	PC	NDP	(Undecided)
Calgary Accord						
Strongly Support	30	13	15	28	15	23
Total Support	73	50	44	67	60	51
"Profoundly attached to Canada"						
Strongly Agree	84	81	16	78	72	68
Total Agree	96	96	37	94	92	89
"Better in long run for Quebec to separate"						
Strongly Agree	6	17	56	9	13	16
Total Agree	14	34	76	18	23	28
"My province does not get its fair share"						
Strongly Agree	14	35	56	19	22	22
Total Agree	32	55	84	32	44	43
Current State of National Unity:						
Strong as Ever	11	11	5	13	7	14
Weaker, but can be strengthened	65	54	30	61	64	45
Future is threatened	24	35	63	25	29	37