<u> Israeli Voice Index – March 2024</u>

(incorporating the War in Gaza Public Survey 14)

1. How do you feel about the state of democratic governance in Israel in the foreseeable future?

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|------------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Very optimistic | 11.4 | 4.3 | 10.2 |
| Moderately optimistic | 25.5 | 19.4 | 24.5 |
| Moderately pessimistic | 31.8 | 35.6 | 32.5 |
| Very pessimistic | 25.7 | 39.5 | 28.1 |
| Don't know | 5.6 | 1.2 | 4.7 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

2. And how do you feel about Israel's security situation in the foreseeable future?

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|------------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Very optimistic | 7.6 | 4.3 | 7.0 |
| Moderately optimistic | 30.4 | 12.3 | 27.3 |
| Moderately pessimistic | 35.8 | 42.3 | 36.9 |
| Very pessimistic | 22.0 | 39.5 | 25.0 |
| Don't know | 4.2 | 1.6 | 3.8 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? [Responses presented in a random order]

3. Despite its actions, Hamas should be recognized as the organization that represents large sections of the Palestinian people:

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|-------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Strongly agree | 25.7 | 16.5 | 24.2 |
| Somewhat agree | 20.3 | 30.0 | 21.9 |
| Somewhat disagree | 12.9 | 24.5 | 14.9 |
| Strongly disagree | 38.8 | 20.4 | 35.6 |
| Don't know | 2.3 | 8.6 | 3.4 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |



DEMOCRACY

en.idi.org.il

Bernard Marcus International Chair

President Reuven Rivlin Honorary Chair

Amir Elstein Chair of the Board

Yohanan Plesner President

Vice Presidents

Dr. Jesse Ferris, Strategy Prof. Karnit Flug, Research Prof. Suzie Navot, Research

Board of Directors

Liat Aaronson Avi Fischer Eli Groner Yossi Kucik Dr. Chen Lichtenstein Amb. Sallai Meridor Mazal Mualem Prof. Fadia Nasser-Abu Alhija Prof. Vered Vinitzky-Seroussi Dr. Michal Tsur

International Advisory Council Prof. Ronald J. Daniels, Chair

Justice Rosalie Silberman Abella, CA Anne Applebaum, US Justice Dorit Beinisch, IL Prof. Vernon Bogdanor, UK Justice Stephen G. Breyer, US Prof. Gerhard Casper, US Hon. Irwin Cotler, CA Prof. Moshe Halbertal, IL Amb. Martin Indyk, US Dr. Josef Joffe, DE Prof. Christoph Markschies, DE Prof. Robert H. Mnookin, US Prof. Jehuda Reinharz, US Prof. Gabriela Shalev, IL Judge Abraham D. Sofaer, US Bret Stephens, US Prof. Michael Walzer, US

Founders

Dr. Arye Carmon Hon. George P. Shultz (1920-2021) 4. Hamas bears a great deal of responsibility for the suffering of Palestinian civilians in the Gaza Strip:

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|-------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Strongly agree | 84.8 | 25.2 | 74.7 |
| Somewhat agree | 9.7 | 36.3 | 14.3 |
| Somewhat disagree | 2.8 | 16.5 | 5.1 |
| Strongly disagree | 1.8 | 12.7 | 3.7 |
| Don't know | 0.8 | 9.4 | 2.2 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

THE ISRAEL DEMOCRACY INSTITUTE

en.idi.org.il

5. If a Palestinian state is established, Hamas will cease its struggle against

Israel:

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|-------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Strongly agree | 1.3 | 22.1 | 4.8 |
| Somewhat agree | 3.6 | 29.8 | 8.0 |
| Somewhat disagree | 13.9 | 22.6 | 15.4 |
| Strongly disagree | 78.2 | 14.0 | 67.3 |
| Don't know | 3.0 | 11.5 | 4.5 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

6. The policy of Israeli governments toward Hamas in recent years made it

easier for Hamas to carry out the October 7 attack:

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|-------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Strongly agree | 58.7 | 24.0 | 52.8 |
| Somewhat agree | 25.7 | 30.8 | 26.6 |
| Somewhat disagree | 8.2 | 20.0 | 10.2 |
| Strongly disagree | 4.7 | 13.5 | 6.2 |
| Don't know | 2.7 | 11.7 | 4.2 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

7. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "With the October 7 attack, Hamas succeeded in refocusing international attention on the Palestinian problem, after years in which it was relegated to the margins"?

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|-------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Strongly agree | 28.1 | 24.8 | 27.6 |
| Somewhat agree | 30.4 | 31.5 | 30.6 |
| Somewhat disagree | 17.0 | 15.9 | 16.8 |
| Strongly disagree | 20.8 | 19.8 | 20.6 |
| Don't know | 3.7 | 8.0 | 4.4 |

The Israel Democracy Institute (RA) | 4 Pinsker Street, POB 4702, Jerusalem 9104602, Israel | Tel: +972-2-530-0888; Fax: +972-2-530-0837

| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|

8. The UN Security Council recently adopted a resolution that included a demand for an immediate humanitarian ceasefire during Ramadan and the immediate and unconditional release of the Israeli hostages. In your opinion, should Israel implement its part of this resolution?

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|-----------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Certain it should | 10.3 | 50.1 | 17.0 |
| Think it should | 21.8 | 28.3 | 22.9 |
| Think it should not | 21.2 | 12.1 | 19.6 |
| Certain it should not | 38.8 | 2.5 | 32.7 |
| Don't know | 7.9 | 7.0 | 7.8 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

9. The United States did not veto this resolution by the UN Security Council. To what extent does this indicate a retreat by America from its unreserved support of Israel until now?

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|--------------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| To a very large extent | 16.4 | 6.6 | 14.8 |
| To a fairly large extent | 34.7 | 34.0 | 34.5 |
| To a fairly small extent | 26.0 | 26.9 | 26.1 |
| Not at all | 11.0 | 15.5 | 11.7 |
| Don't know | 11.9 | 17.0 | 12.9 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

10. In your opinion, given the current circumstances, is Israel's leadership

doing its utmost to secure the release of the hostages?

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|-------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Certain it is | 26.1 | 6.3 | 22.8 |
| Think it is | 25.5 | 23.8 | 25.2 |
| Think it is not | 25.3 | 35.9 | 27.1 |
| Certain it is not | 18.9 | 30.2 | 20.8 |
| Don't know | 4.2 | 3.8 | 4.1 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |



en.idi.org.il

11. In your estimation, for how much longer will Israeli society be able to bear the burden of continued fighting in Gaza and the confrontation in the north?

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|---|------|-------|----------------|
| A few months | 19.6 | 37.3 | 22.6 |
| Six months to a year | 21.7 | 31.8 | 23.4 |
| A year or more | 9.0 | 11.9 | 9.5 |
| As long as it takes to achieve the goals of | 39.5 | 6.7 | 33.9 |
| the war | | | |
| Don't know | 10.2 | 12.3 | 10.6 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

THE ISRAEL DEMOCRACY INSTITUTE

en.idi.org.il

12. In your estimation, what is the likelihood that the government will

complete its term of office as determined by law (four years)?

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|------------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| Very high likelihood | 14.4 | 13.1 | 14.2 |
| Fairly high likelihood | 21.5 | 24.8 | 22.1 |
| Fairly low likelihood | 29.2 | 26.4 | 28.8 |
| Very low likelihood | 27.5 | 24.3 | 27.0 |
| Don't know | 7.4 | 11.4 | 7.9 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

13. In your opinion, to what extent is the police currently independent

| | Jews | Arabs | General Public |
|--------------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| To a very large extent | 9.5 | 5.9 | 8.9 |
| To a fairly large extent | 21.3 | 20.9 | 21.2 |
| To a fairly small extent | 40.2 | 29.3 | 38.4 |
| Not at all | 20.8 | 34.8 | 23.2 |
| Don't know | 8.2 | 9.1 | 8.3 |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 |

from the political leadership and neutral in its decision-making?

The Israeli Voice Index for March 2024 was prepared by the Viterbi Center for Public Opinion and Policy Research of the Israel Democracy Institute. In the survey, which was conducted on the internet and by telephone (supplements of groups that are not sufficiently represented on the network) from 31 March until 03 April 2024, 606 men and women were interviewed in Hebrew and 149 in Arabic, constituting a representative national sample of the entire adult population of Israel aged 18 and older. The maximum sampling error for the entire sample was $3.64 \pm \%$ at a confidence level of 95%. The

fieldwork was done by the Dialogue Research and Polling Institute. For the full data file see: <u>https://dataisrael.idi.org.il</u>



The Israel Democracy Institute (RA) | 4 Pinsker Street, POB 4702, Jerusalem 9104602, Israel | Tel: +972-2-530-0888; Fax: +972-2-530-0837