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**IN MEMORY OF THE 20TH CENTURY GALLUP
INTERNATIONAL HOLDS THE CENTURY'S LARGEST
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Gallup International has just released from its London headquarters the global findings of the largest opinion poll of this century. The survey which captures the mood of world public opinion on a wide range of social, economic and political issues was held in memory of the 20th century which is nearing its completion. Gallup is hoping that someone someday will have the opportunity to compare public attitudes on the same issues a century later and see how views change or remain stable. Unfortunately no such record of public attitudes is available for the end of the 19th century.

Despite the enormous material improvement over the last one hundred years, the global mood at the end of twentieth century is strongly critical of society and government. Two third (62%) of the world population say they believe their government is not being run by the will of the people. Even in Europe and America a majority of men and women believe they are not governed by the will of the people.

Governments are viewed as "Corrupt" and "Bureaucratic" by their respective citizens all over the world including countries of Europe and America. Singapore is a solitary exception however where only 1% described their government as corrupt. The comparable figure for USA is 30% and 22% for West Europe. In Pakistan more than 70% said they believed most government activities suffer from corruption.

The world opinion is also critical on social issues such as racial discrimination and discrimination against women. A majority worldwide and 85% of West Europe say racial discrimination is practiced in their countries. Two third of those polled in the Gallup International survey said that discrimination against women is practiced in their countries.

The survey was conducted in more than 50 countries across the globe in all regions of the world including USA, Russia, China, East and West Europe, Africa and Asia. More than 50,000 statistically selected men and women were interviewed during the course of this memorable survey.

The details of the global survey and comparisons between Pakistani opinion and other regions will be released by Chairman of Gallup Pakistan Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani in several parts later this month and in December. Details may also be enquired from Gallup Pakistan's Islamabad or Karachi Offices. This release is available on Gallup web site: www.gallup.com.pk. Further details on the global survey are available on the web site: www.gallup-international.com.