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## **Half Say They Disapprove of National Day of Remembrance and Action on Islamophobia**

### **Only one-sixth approve**

Toronto, January 26th - In a random sampling of public opinion taken by The Forum Poll™ among 1408 Canadian voters, half (BTM2: 49%) say they would disapprove of a national day of remembrance and action on Islamophobia, with almost 4 in 10 (39%) saying they strongly disapprove.

One-sixth (TOP2: 17%) say they would approve of such a day, but few just under 1 in 10 (7%) say they strongly approve.

One-quarter (26%) say they neither approve nor disapprove, and about 1 in 10 (7%) say they do not know.

Respondents most likely to say they disapprove (BTM2) include those aged 55-64 (57%), males (59%), the most wealthy (59%), living in the prairies (MB/SK) (57%) or Alberta (55%), with a college/university degree (51%) or post-graduate degree (52%) and supporting the Conservatives (69%).

Respondents most likely to say they approve (TOP2) include those aged 34 and younger (27%), the least wealthy (26%), and supporters of the Liberals (28%) or NDP (26%).

“Currently there is a high level of opposition to a National Islamophobia day, with most of those saying they disapprove doing so strongly,” said Dr. Lorne Bozinoff, President of Forum Research.

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## Methodology

The Forum Poll™ was conducted by Forum Research with the results based on an interactive voice response telephone survey of 1408 randomly selected Canadian Voters. The poll was conducted January 22-24, 2017.

Results based on the total sample are considered accurate +/- 3%, 19 times out of 20. Subsample results will be less accurate. Margins of error for subsample (such as age, gender) results are available at [www.forumresearch.com/samplestim.asp](http://www.forumresearch.com/samplestim.asp)

Where appropriate, the data has been statistically weighted by age, region, and other variables to ensure that the sample reflects the actual population according to the latest Census data.

This research is not necessarily predictive of future outcomes, but rather, captures opinion at one point in time. Forum Research conducted this poll as a public service and to demonstrate our survey research capabilities. Forum houses its poll results in the Data Library of the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto.

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### Islamophobia day

Would you approve or disapprove of a national day of remembrance and action on Islamophobia?

#### Age/Gender

%	Total	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Sample	1408	248	257	204	313	386	785	591
NET: TOP2	17	27	16	14	11	9	12	21
NET: BTM2	49	42	51	49	57	53	59	40
Strongly approve	7	11	8	6	5	4	4	10
Somewhat approve	10	16	8	8	6	5	8	11
Neither approve nor disapprove	26	25	26	28	26	26	23	29
Somewhat disapprove	11	9	11	7	13	17	11	11
Strongly disapprove	38	33	39	42	45	37	48	29
Don't know	7	6	7	8	6	12	6	9

#### Income

%	Total	<\$20K	\$20-\$40K	\$40-\$60K	\$60-\$80K	\$80-\$100K	\$100-\$250K
Sample	1408	123	235	162	174	167	267
NET: TOP2	17	26	17	16	19	17	12
NET: BTM2	49	37	50	49	51	53	59
Strongly approve	7	15	9	4	6	8	5
Somewhat approve	10	11	8	12	13	9	8
Neither approve nor disapprove	26	26	29	28	22	22	24
Somewhat disapprove	11	11	10	15	13	14	10
Strongly disapprove	38	26	40	34	38	38	49
Don't know	7	11	5	7	8	8	5

#### Region

%	Total	ATL	QC	ON	MB/SK	AB	BC
Sample	1408	186	274	309	123	261	255
NET: TOP2	17	18	17	19	13	13	15
NET: BTM2	49	44	52	48	57	55	43
Strongly approve	7	11	5	9	2	5	8
Somewhat approve	10	6	12	10	12	7	7
Neither approve nor disapprove	26	28	24	26	24	25	30
Somewhat disapprove	11	16	14	9	11	5	12
Strongly disapprove	38	28	38	39	46	50	32
Don't know	7	10	6	7	5	7	11



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### Education

%	Total	Secondary school or less	Some college or university	Completed college or university	Post graduate studies
<b>Sample</b>	<b>1408</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>260</b>
NET: TOP2	17	14	19	17	18
NET: BTM2	49	48	45	51	52
Strongly approve	7	3	10	7	8
Somewhat approve	10	10	8	10	10
Neither approve nor disapprove	26	28	25	26	27
Somewhat disapprove	11	9	9	11	16
Strongly disapprove	38	39	36	41	35
Don't know	7	10	10	6	4

### Voter Intention

%	Total	Conservative	Liberal	New Democratic	Green	Bloc Quebecois	Other
<b>Sample</b>	<b>1408</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>31</b>
NET: TOP2	17	4	28	26	24	9	2
NET: BTM2	49	69	32	42	40	66	83
Strongly approve	7	1	15	10	4	5	2
Somewhat approve	10	4	13	16	19	5	0
Neither approve nor disapprove	26	19	34	25	33	19	8
Somewhat disapprove	11	7	12	14	16	13	15
Strongly disapprove	38	62	20	28	24	53	68
Don't know	7	8	6	7	4	5	7

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