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North Korea/Missile defence

QN1. Changing topics now ...

We want to look at a few more issues in Canada today.

First, how serious do YOU think the following problems are for Canada?

ROWS [RANDOMIZE]

The threat of nuclear war

Global warming

Lack of Canadian unity

Not serious at all

Not very serious

Fairly serious

Very serious

QN2 The United States and North Korea have been escalating a war of words in recent weeks, as North Korea continues to test missiles and nuclear weapons, and the U.S. continues to condemn these actions and threaten retaliation if North Korea launches an attack.

How closely would you say you have been following this issue? Are you:

Seeing a lot of media coverage and discussing it with friends and family

Seeing some media coverage and having the odd conversation

Just scanning the headlines

Haven't seen or heard anything about it

QN3. With tensions high between the U.S. and North Korea, some have called for Canada to join the American ballistic missile defence system, something Canada has declined to do since the program was established in 2004.

Joining the system could entail making financial contributions, hosting missile detection facilities on Canadian soil, hosting anti-missile weapons here, or some combination of the three. Canada would do this in exchange for protection from the system if a missile from North Korea or elsewhere was headed for a Canadian city.

Some people say Canada should join the ballistic missile defence system because North Korea is a serious threat to the entire world, including Canada, and Canada should do its part to help defend North America from an attack.

Other people say Canada should not join the ballistic missile defence system because Canada is unlikely to be a target for missile attacks, and would likely receive protection from the system anyway if it was, because of the proximity of Canadian would-be targets to the U.S. border.

Based on whatever you may have seen or heard about this issue, which of these perspectives is closer to your own? Should Canada ...

[ROTATE]

Join the U.S. ballistic missile defence system

Stay out of the U.S. ballistic missile defence system

[ANCHORED]Really can't say

QN4. Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

[ROWS – RANDOMIZE]

This issue of North Korean weapons testing will never go away

Tensions between North Korea and the United States are not Canada's problem

I genuinely feel like nuclear war is inevitable

Joining the U.S. ballistic missile defence system would ultimately make Canada safer

[COLUMNS]

Disagree strongly

Disagree moderately

Agree moderately

Agree strongly

Not sure/Can't say