



September 10th, 2007

# Human Rights Trumps Trade

## Methodology

Between July 28th and August 4th, 2007, SES Research conducted a national random telephone survey of 1001 Canadians 18 years and older.

The aggregate survey results are accurate  $\pm 3.1\%$ , 19 times out of 20. Margins of accuracy are wider for subgroup samples. Results may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

The initiative was part of the SES Ontario Omnibus Survey and was registered with the Marketing Research and Intelligence Association of which SES is a Gold Seal Corporate Member.

The survey was sponsored by the Canada Tibet Committee.

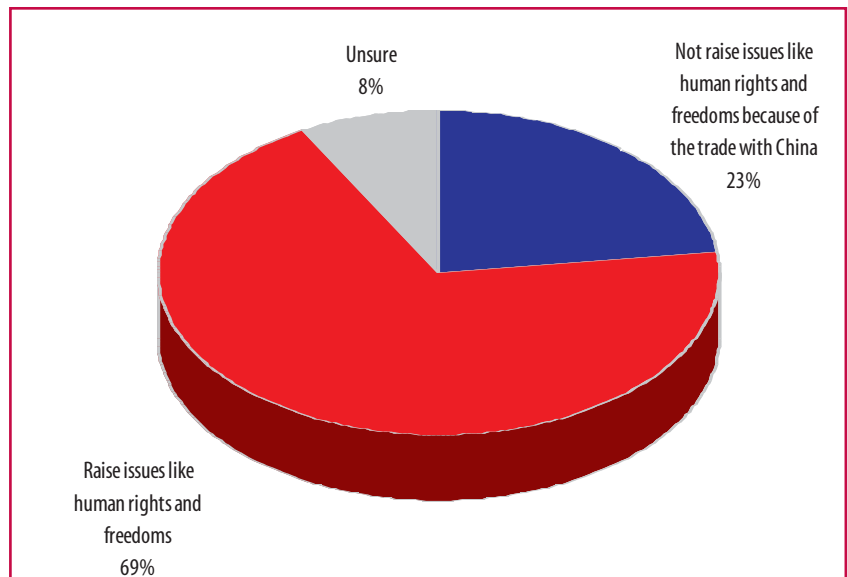
## About SES

Established in 1987, SES Canada Research Inc. is a full service public opinion research and management consulting firm. SES is regularly called upon by corporate, government and para-public clients in Canada and the United States to conduct research and provide strategic advice.

For more information on our full range of services please contact: Mr. Nikita Nanos at (613)234-4666 ext. 237 or [nnanos@sesresearch.com](mailto:nnanos@sesresearch.com).

**Question:** As you may know, China invaded Tibet in 1950, and has occupied the territory ever since. In 1959, the Dalai Lama, who was the political and religious leader in Tibet, fled after an uprising against the Chinese. Since its occupation the government of China has imposed strict controls in Tibet. I am going to read two statements and I would like you to tell me which one best reflects your personal view. [Rotate]  
A: Some people think that Canada should not raise issues like the human rights and freedoms of the Tibetan people with the Chinese government because doing so might jeopardize our trading relationship with China.

B: Other people think that Canada should raise the issue of human rights and freedoms of the Tibetan people with the Chinese government regardless of any potential impact on our trade relationship with China.



Group (Margin of Accuracy)	Not raise issues like human rights and freedoms (%)	Raise issues like human rights and freedoms (%)	Unsure (%)
Canada ( $\pm 3.1\%$ )	23	69	8
Atlantic ( $\pm 9.9\%$ )	23	69	8
Quebec ( $\pm 6.3\%$ )	24	67	9
Ontario ( $\pm 5.7\%$ )	24	67	9
West ( $\pm 5.3\%$ )	22	71	7