

# 2015 National Public Opinion Survey Highlights on Iranian American and U.S. Public Opinion Towards Nuclear Negotiations and Other U.S.-Iran Related Matters

## Key findings of this survey include the following

#### Iranian Americans' Links to Iran

- 84% of the respondents stated that they still have family living in Iran
- Six in ten said that they communicate with family members in Iran at least several times per month, with dramatic increases in the use of various mobile communication apps (52%) and forms of social media (51%)
- **49%** said they have had problems communicating with Iran because of poor internet service, while **32%** cite problems with internet censorship and restrictions on access to websites in the country

### Attitudes Toward Nuclear Negotiations

- 64% of Iranian American respondents approve of the P5+1 framework agreement, 20% disapprove of the agreement, and 16% are not sure
- **41%** of Americans overall support the P5+1 framework agreement, **23%** oppose it, and **36%** are not sure
- **49%** of Iranian Americans support legislation that would make an Iran agreement subject to congressional approval and oversight, **36%** oppose such legislation, and **15%** are unsure
- 52% of overall U.S. opinion support the legislation, 13% oppose it, and 35% are not sure
- **75%** of Iranian Americans say that a nuclear agreement would have a positive impact on economic opportunities for the Iranian people, while **66%** believe personal and civil rights for Iranian citizens would improve

#### U.S. Trade Embargo Against Iran

- 72% of Iranian Americans are in favor of allowing certain exemptions to the U.S. Trade embargo with Iran
- **57%** of Iranian Americans would like to see the trade exemptions expanded, **11%** want them to remain the same, and **21%** want them stopped
- **17%** of overall U.S. respondents would like to see the trade exemptions expanded, **40%** want them to remain the same, and **15%** want them stopped
- **27%** of U.S. public opinion is concerned that Americans will be at a disadvantage with respect to economic engagement opportunities with Iran if U.S. embargo against Iran is not lifted concurrently with nuclear related sanctions, while **35%** are not concerned, and **38%** are unsure.

All data are from a national survey conducted by the Zogby Research Services (ZRS) from May 20-May 31, 2015 of 400 Iranian American adults with a margin of error of +/-5% and 1,010 American adults with a margin of error of +/-3%. All data, along with further summaries, are available at