COMMONWEALTH SECTION

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ASK EVERYONE

 As you may know, Canada is a member of the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth is a group of 49 countries with historical ties to Britain. Later this year, the leaders of the Commonwealth countries will hold one of their regular summits, or meetings, this time in Canada. The leaders will talk about a number of subjects. I am now going to read you a list of such subjects and I would like you to tell me which one you think the leaders should give the greatest importance to. [READ LIST FOLLOWING ROTATION ORDER] [RECORD ONLY ONE MENTION]

ROTATIO	<u>N</u>	QU. 1 6-8	$\frac{QU. 2}{9 \cdot 11}$
[]	Solutions to such problems as Apartheid in South Africa	1	1.
[]	Helping the poorer members of the Commonwealth	2	2
K	Improving relations between rich and poor members of the Commonwealth	3	
Which w	ould you say is the second most important? [READ		

3. Countries that hold summits usually have a number of objectives that they want to achieve because the summit is held in that country. I am now going to read you a list of possible objectives. I would like you to tell me how important you think the following objectives should be for Canada at the <u>Commonwealth summit</u>. The number 'l' means that it is of 'no importance' and the number '7' means that it is 'very important'. Using this scale, where would you place ...? [READ STATEMENTS FOLLOWING ROTATION ORDER]

LIST FOLLOWING ROTATION ORDER] [RECORD ONLY ONE MENTION]-

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[]	Reducing the economic gap between rich and poor countries	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 IZ
[]	Advancing human rights in the world-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 13
X	Protecting the global environment	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 '4
[]	Making Canada better known around the world	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 ' 5
[]	Increasing Canada's trade with other countries of the Commonwealth	1	2	3	4	5	6	76 7

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Some people say that membership in the Commonwealth contributes to Canada's distinct identity as a nation. Would you say that membership in the Commonwealth contributes a great deal, contributes somewhat, contributes very little, or contributes nothing to Canada's distinct identity as a nation?

A great deal ----- 1 Somewhat ----- 2 Very little ----- 3 Nothing ----- 4 No opinion/Don't know ----- 5

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