## GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

## WORLD AFFAIRS AND BUDGET SEQUESTRATION

Results are based on telephone interviews with 1,017 national adults, aged 18+, conducted February 25-26, 2013. For results based on the total sample of National Adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of error is ±4 percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 50% cell phone respondents and 50% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by region. Landline telephone numbers are chosen at random among listed telephone numbers. Cell phones numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both, cell phone mostly, and having an unlisted landline number). Demographic weighting

6. Do you think the U.S. economy will or will not get worse this year if the budget sequestration goes into effect as scheduled?

|                | Yes, will get worse | No, will not | No opinion |
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7. Do you think your own financial situation will or will not get worse this year if the budget sequestration goes into effect as scheduled?

|                | Yes, will get worse | <u>No, will not</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
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| 2013 Feb 25-26 | 44                  | 45                  | 11                |