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This a survey being conducted in different parts of the world concerned with attitudes towards police officers. Needless to say, it is completely anonymous and you should feel utterly confident that your own personal responses cannot be identified as coming back to you. The answers will be summated together and reported in an international journal where we can make between-nation comparisons. Thanks for taking time out to helping in this important research.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ABOUT YOU: Please circle one where appropriate

Gender: Male Female

Your age? _____

Major subject at University: Humanities Social Sciences Psychical Sciences/Engineering

Year at University: First Second Third Fourth Longer

What is your nationality/ethnicity? _____

The SURVEY

1. How much contact/interaction have you had with the police? By interaction/contact we mean that you and police personnel either communicated or had physical contact – in person, by phone, or by mail. This includes calls to the police department, complaints, reports, arrests, questioning, chatting, etc.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
no contact						a lot of contact

2. Please indicate the amount of contact/interaction you have had with police that **you** initiated (e.g., you asked for assistance, etc.)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
no contact						a lot of contact

3. Please indicate the amount of contact/interaction you have had with police that **the police** initiated (e.g. questioning, citation, arrest).

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
no contact						a lot of contact

4. Please indicate the amount of contact/interaction **you have seen others have** with police (e.g., you were with a friend who was pulled over for speeding, you were at a community event where you saw the police break up a fight).

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
no contact						a lot of contact

5. How **pleasant** overall are the police?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very un pleasant			neutral			very pleasant

6. In general, how **accommodating** are police officers? (i.e., how well do you think they listen to people, take their views into account, and want to understand their needs and unique situations?)

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very un accommodating			neutral			very accommodating

7. In general, how **respectful** are police officers?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very dis respectful			neutral			very respectful

8. How **polite** are police officers?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very im polite			neutral			very polite

9. How well do police officers **explain things to people** (i.e., talk to people in ways that “sit right” with them, and that they understand)?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very poorly			neutral			very well

10. How much **respect** do you have for the police?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very little respect			neutral			very much respect

11. To what degree do you think police officers are **honest**?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very dishonest			neutral			very honest

12. To what degree do you feel **proud** of the police?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very unproud			neutral			very proud

13. To what degree do you feel you should **support** the police?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
I should be very un supportive			neutral			I should be very supportive

14. To what degree do you feel that police decisions are **fair**?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very un fair			neutral			very fair

15. To what degree do you feel the police **protect citizen rights**?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very un protective			neutral			very protective

16. I have confidence that the police department can do its job well.

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
strongly dis agree			neutral			strongly agree

17. I trust the police to make decisions that are good for everyone in the community.

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
strongly dis agree			neutral			strongly agree

18. In general, how respectful of citizens are the police?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very dis respectful			neutral			very respectful

19. How **satisfied** are you with the services provided by the police?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very diss satisfied			neutral			very satisfied

20. Overall, how would you rate the police department?

-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3
very poor			neutral			excellent

