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STUDY OF MASCULINE IDENTITIES IN NICARAGUA AND EL SALVADOR: RESEARCH TO PREVENT VIOLENCE IN HOUSEHOLDS AND COMMUNITIES

Objective: Understand the etiology of violence in Salvadoran homes to implement strategies for prevention and response to violence.

Good morning / afternoon, my name is _____, I work for the Centro de Investigación de la Opinión Pública Salvadoreña (CIOPS), at the Universidad Tecnológica of El Salvador. We are conducting a study of MASCULINE IDENTITIES IN EL SALVADOR: RESEARCH TO PREVENT VIOLENCE IN HOUSEHOLDS AND COMMUNITIES. I would appreciate a few minutes of your time to conduct this interview.

#	Question	Categories	Skip to
1	Department	La Libertad1 San Salvador...2	
2	Municipality		
2.1	Place		
3	Gender	Male.....1	
4	What is your marital status?	Single1 Married2 Has a partner3 Divorced.....4 Widowed.....5 No Response (NR)/Don't Know (DK)/Not Applicable (NA).....6	
5	What is your educational level?	No formal schooling.....1 1° - 3°:2 4° -6°:3 7° - 9°:4 Baccalaureate Student:.....5 Baccalaureate Graduate:6 Technical:.....7 University Student:8 University Graduate:.....9 Other (specify):10 NR/DK:11	
6	How old are you in years (18 a 60 years)?	_____	
7	In which of the following sectors do you carry out your income-generating activities?	Services1 Financial2 Industrial3 Commercial4 Agriculture5 Farming6 Unemployed7 Retired8 Student9 Housework.....10 NR/DK11	
7.1	If you work in sectors 1-6, what is your occupation?	Employee1 Merchant2 Business executive3 Other (specify):4 NR/DK5	

7.2	If you answered 1. Employee: In which sector do you work?	Private.....1 Public2	
7.2.1	What is your position?	Operations staff1 Assistant, Technician, Secretary, etc.....2 Manager, Supervisor, Coordinator, etc.....3 Director/CEO.....4 Other (specify)5 NR/DK.....6	
8	What is your religion?	Catholic1 Evangelical2 Atheist.....3 Mormon4 Jehovah’s Witness.....5 None6 Other (specify):7 NR/DK8	
9	What is your family structure? (interviewer explains)	Extended (parents, children and other relatives)1 Nuclear (parents and children)2 Other (specify):3 NR/DK.....4	
10	Who is the head of the household in your family?	Interviewee1 Interviewee’s partner2 Both3 Other (specify):5 NR/DK6	
11	Of the following organizations, to which do you belong? (Multiple answers allowed - choose a maximum of 3)	Community1 Social.....2 Political3 Religious.....4 Other:5 None6 NR/DK7	
12	Of the following leisure activities, in which do you participate regularly alongside other men?	Play sports1 Religious activities2 Household cleaning or household maintenance3 Walks with friends4 Actions in benefit of the community5 Volunteering6 Cultural activities7 Parties8 None9 NR/DK10	

Section 1: CHILDHOOD AND ADOLESCENCE EXPERIENCES

The following questions refer to your childhood and your relationship with your parents or guardian(s) prior to age 18.

#	Question	Categories	Skip to
13	Who was in charge of raising you and caring for you during your childhood and adolescence?	Mostly my mother.....1 Mostly my father.....2 Only my mother3 Only my father4 My mother and father together.....5 Mostly my grandmother6	

	(Select one, show visual aid) Select the most important	Mostly my grandfather7 Mostly my stepmother or another female relative8 Mostly my stepfather or another male relative.....9 Foster home, orphanage, or religious home.....10 Other (specify): _____11 None12 NR/DK13				
14	What is the highest grade level completed by the person who raised you?	No formal schooling.....1 1° - 3°:2 4° - 6°:3 7° - 9°:4 Baccalaureate Student:5 Baccalaureate Graduate:6 Technical:7 University Student:8 University Graduate:9 Other (specify):10 NR/DK:11				
15. When you were a child, how often did your father or another male relative do the following tasks? (Answer in each option).						
		Always	Frequently	Rarely	Never	NR/DK
a	Prepare food	1	2	3	4	5
b	Clean the house	1	2	3	4	5
c	Wash clothes	1	2	3	4	5
d	Care for other people (children, sick, elderly)	1	2	3	4	5
e	Help children in the household with their homework	1	2	3	4	5
16. From ages 13 to 18, how often did you do the following tasks:						
a	Prepare food	1	2	3	4	5
b	Clean the house	1	2	3	4	5
c	Wash clothes	1	2	3	4	5
d	Care for other people (children, sick, elderly)	1	2	3	4	5
e	Help children in the household with their homework	1	2	3	4	5
17	In your childhood, who made the decisions in the home about large investments, such as buying or selling a car, a house, land, animals, or large appliances for the home?	Mostly my mother.....1 Mostly my father.....2 My mother and father equally3 Me.....4 Someone else (who?).....5 Man...1 Woman...2 None6 NR/DK: ...7				
18	Who made the decisions about the education of the boys and girls in your family?	Mostly my mother.....1 Mostly my father.....2 My mother and father equally3 Me.....4 Someone else (who?).....5 Man...1 Woman...2				

	None6	
	NR/DK:7	

19. Some statements will be read to you, and we would like to know if you experienced the following situations prior to age 18, and if so, how often.

		Often	Rarely	Never	NR/DK
19.1	I saw or heard my mother being beaten by your father	1	2	3	4
19.2	I saw or heard my mother being beaten by her male partner	1	2	3	4
19.3	I was insulted or humiliated by someone in my family	1	2	3	4
19.4	I was physically abused by someone in my family	1	2	3	4
19.5	I was beaten at home so hard that it left a mark or a bruise	1	2	3	4

20. We continue asking questions about situations that you experienced prior to age 18. We would like to know if you experienced any of the following situations.

Answer 1, yes; 2, no; 3, DK/NR/NA to each of the following questions.

20.1	I was forced to have sex after someone threatened or frightened me	Yes.....1 No2 NR/DK:3
20.2	I was hit or physically punished at school by a teacher	Yes.....1 No2 NR/DK:3
20.3	I was bullied at school or in your neighborhood (<i>this includes verbal intimidation, abuse, threats, and physical abuse</i>)	Yes.....1 No2 NR/DK:3
20.4	One or both of my parents was/were too drunk or intoxicated to take care of me	Yes.....1 No2 NR/DK:3
20.5	Someone touched my body in a sexual way	Yes.....1 No2 NR/DK:3

Similarly, please answer to each of the following statements.

		Often	Rarely	Never	NR/DK
20.6	My close friends participated in activities such as sports, cultural activities, community service, etc.	1	2	3	4

20.7	My close friends participated in fights, thefts, assaults, and drug use	1	2	3	4
20.8	My relationships with those who took care of me were good	1	2	3	4
20.9	I argued aggressively with my parents	1	2	3	4

Section 2: FATHERHOOD

The following questions refer to your relationship with the children that live with you, even if they are not legally or biologically your own children

#	Question	Categories	Skip to
21	Do you have any biological children?	Yes1 No (go to question 21).....2 NR/DK:3	> 22
21.1	If yes, how many biological sons and daughters do you have?	_____ [number of children]	
21.2	Do you currently live with them?	Yes1 No2 NR/DK:3	
21.3	If yes, how many of them currently live with you?	One1 Two2 Three3 Four4 Five5 Six6 More than six.....7 NR/DK:8	
21.4	How old were you when you had your first child?	_____ [years old]	
21.5	Do you have biological children younger than 18 that do not live with you?	Yes1 No (go to question 21).....2 NR/DK:3	> 22
21.6	If yes, how many?	One1 Two2 Three3 Four4 Five5 Six6 More than six.....7 None8 All of them9 NR/DK:10	
21.7	How many of them are you in contact with regularly?	One1 Two2 Three3 Four4 Five5 Six6 More than six.....7	

		None8 All of them9 NR/DK:10	
21.8	How many of them do you provide regular financial support for?	One1 Two2 Three3 Four4 Five5 Six6 More than six7 None8 All of them9 NR/DK:10	
22	Do you have any non-biological children (your partner's children, foster children, etc.)?	Yes...1 No...2 (go to question 23) NR/DK:3	> 23
22.1	If yes, how old were you when you had your first non-biological child?	_____ [years old]	

23. I will show you a list of activities and chores related to your sons/daughters that are younger than 18 years old.; if you children are adult by now, remember their childhood and adolescence. Respond how frequently you participated in each of the following activities.

		Always	Frequently	Rarely	Never	NR/DK
23.1	Routine daily care, feeding, and supervision of your child	1	2	3	4	5
23.2	Staying at home with your child when he/she is sick	1	2	3	4	5
23.3	Playing with your child or doing leisure activities together	1	2	3	4	5
23.4	Talking with your child about personal matters in their life	1	2	3	4	5
23.5	Explain to your child why his/her behavior was wrong	1	2	3	4	5
23.6	Taking away privileges or prohibiting something your child used to do or not allowing him/her to leave the house	1	2	3	4	5
23.7	Yelling or raise your voice at your child	1	2	3	4	5
23.8	Slapping or hitting your child on any part of their body	1	2	3	4	5
23.9	Hitting your child with a belt, stick, or other hard object	1	2	3	4	5

23.10	Call your child stupid, useless, or an idiot	1	2	3	4	5
23.11	Hitting or slapping your child on the face, ears, or head	1	2	3	4	5

Section 3: ATTITUDES REGARDING RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN WOMEN AND MEN

Now I will read some statements about relationships between men and women. Feel free to respond based on your personal beliefs – there are no right or wrong answers.

#	Question	Categories					NR/DK
		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree		
24.1	A woman deserves to be beaten	1	2	3	4	5	
24.2	To be a man, you need to be tough	1	2	3	4	5	
24.3	Changing diapers, bathing and feeding children are all a mother's responsibilities	1	2	3	4	5	
24.4	If another man in my neighborhood offends me, I'll defend my reputation, using force if I need to	1	2	3	4	5	
24.5	Women who have a partner shouldn't be friends with other men	1	2	3	4	5	
24.6	A man that can't have children isn't a real man	1	2	3	4	5	
24.7	It's natural for the man to be the head of household	1	2	3	4	5	
24.8	Violence between a couple is a private issue and others should not interfere	1	2	3	4	5	
24.9	A woman who has had several partners is easy	1	2	3	4	5	
24.10	When boys and girls are present, only girls should help with housework	1	2	3	4	5	
24.11	It is important that women remain virgins until marriage	1	2	3	4	5	
24.12	Even when things are fine with his partner, a man	1	2	3	4	5	

	needs to be with other women					
24.13	Women like it when men harass them	1	2	3	4	5
24.14	Feminism has helped women gain more rights	1	2	3	4	5
24.15	Equal rights for women mean that men lose out	1	2	3	4	5
24.16	When a woman is raped, she usually did something to put herself in that situation	1	2	3	4	5
24.17	Women are too emotional to be leaders	1	2	3	4	5
24.18	Women who participate in politics or leadership positions can't be good wives or mothers	1	2	3	4	5
24.19	Men need a firearm to defend themselves	1	2	3	4	5

Section 4: HOUSEHOLD RELATIONS

#	Question	Categories					
25	Have you currently or have you ever been in a relationship (engaged, married, or steady cohabitation)?	Yes...1 No...2 (go to question 31) NR/DK3					>31
26	How would you describe your current or last relationship overall?	Very good...1 Good...2 Bad...3 Very bad...4 NR/DK5					
27	Do you usually talk about your relationship problems with your partner?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3					
28. In the case of partners you have lived with, how often did you do the following tasks? (Do not include help received from outside the home or a domestic worker) answer every option.							
		Always	Frequently	Rarely	Never	NR/DK	
a	Prepare food	1	2	3	4	5	
b	Clean the house	1	2	3	4	5	
c	Wash clothes	1	2	3	4	5	
d	Care for other people (children, sick, elderly)	1	2	3	4	5	
e	Help the children with their homework	1	2	3	4	5	

f	Manage the household finances	1	2	3	4	5
g	Clean the bathroom	1	2	3	4	5

29. Now I will read you some statements regarding your current or most recent partner. Please let me know if you agree or disagree with each of these statements.

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	NR/DK
29.1	I would not let my partner dress a certain way	1	2	3	4	5
29.2	I decide when my partner can leave the house	1	2	3	4	5
29.3	I like my partner to know that she is not the only partner I could have	1	2	3	4	5
29.4	When I want sex, I assume that my partner does too	1	2	3	4	5
29.5	I frequently show affection to my partner	1	2	3	4	5
29.6	I need to know where my partner is at all times	1	2	3	4	5

30. Think about your current or most recent relationship. Who has “the last word” or “authority” regarding the following? Please answer to every option.

30.1	Who has the last word on large household purchases or sales?	My partner...1 Me...2 Both...3 NR/DK4	
30.2	Who has the last word on the time that your partner spends with her family, friends, or relatives?	My partner...1 Me...2 Both...3 NR/DK4	
30.3	Who has the last word on decisions about contraceptive use?	My partner...1 Me...2 Both...3 NR/DK4	
30.4	Who has the last word on whether your partner works outside the home?	My partner...1 Me...2 Both...3 NR/DK4	

Section 5: INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE

31. Now I will read some questions related to your current or last relationship. Please answer yes or no to each of the options

#	Question	Categories	
31.1	Do you often fight aggressively (shouting, insults, disrespect)?	Yes...1 No...2 Sometimes...3	

31.2	Does it bother you when she talks to another man?	Yes...1 No...2 Sometimes...3	
31.3	Do you suspect your partner is unfaithful to you?	Yes...1 No...2 Sometimes...3	
31.4	Do you control your partner's calls or text messages?	Yes...1 No...2 Sometimes...3	
31.5	Has she hit you when you had not hit her first?	Yes...1 No...2 Sometimes...3	

32. Now I will read some statement about related to your current or most recent partner. Please tell me if the following situations have happened many times, a few times or never.

		Many times	Few times	Never	NR/DK
32.1	How often have you insulted your partner or deliberately made her feel bad about herself?	1	2	3	4
32.2	How often have you belittled or humiliated your partner in front of other people?	1	2	3	4
32.3	How often have you done things on purpose to frighten or intimidate your partner, for example, by looking at her a certain way, yelling at her, or breaking things?	1	2	3	4
32.4	How often have you threatened to hurt your partner	1	2	3	4
32.5	How often have you caused harm to things or people that are important to your partner, as a way to hurt her?	1	2	3	4
32.6	How often have you prohibited your partner from looking for a job, going to work, doing business, or earning money?	1	2	3	4
32.7	How often have you taken your partner's income against her will?	1	2	3	4
32.8	How often have you thrown your partner out of the house?	1	2	3	4
32.9	How often have you taken money for your own expenses from your partner's savings, knowing they were for her use or for household expenses?	1	2	3	4
32.10	How often have you slapped your partner or thrown things at her to hurt her?	1	2	3	4
32.11	How often have you pushed your partner to hurt her?	1	2	3	4
32.12	How often have you hit your partner with your fists or with an object?	1	2	3	4
32.13	How often have you dragged, choked, or burned your partner?	1	2	3	4
32.14	How often have you threatened or used a gun, knife, or other weapon against your partner?	1	2	3	4
32.15	How often have you forced your current or previous partner to have sex with you when she didn't want to?	1	2	3	4

33. For the next questions, please tell me about what most of your close friends believe. Tell me Yes or No.

33.1	That the man should be head of household	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ... 3	
33.2	That mothers and fathers have the	Yes...1	

	right to hit their children to discipline them	No...2 NR/DK ... 3	
32.3	That there are times when a man is justified in hitting his wife or partner	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ... 3	
32.4	That homosexuality is normal and acceptable	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ... 3	
34. Similarly to the previous questions, please tell me about what your <u>family</u> believes. Answer Yes or No to each of the following statements			
34.1	That the man should be head of household	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ... 3	
34.2	That mothers and fathers have the right to beat their children to discipline them	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ... 3	
34.3	That there are times when a man is justified in beating his wife or partner	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ... 3	
34.4	That homosexuality is normal and acceptable	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ... 3	

Section 6: LAWS

#	Question	Categories			
35	Do you know the LEIV law? (comprehensive law for a life free of violence for women)	Yes...1 No...2 (go to question 36) NR/DK ...3			
		Strongly agree	Agree	Strongly disagree	NR/DK
35.1	Do you think that law LEIV helps women who are victims of violence?	1	2	3	4
35.2	Do you think this law is harmful to women who are victims of violence?	1	2	3	4
35.3	Do you think this law is of no use to women who are victims of violence?	1	2	3	4
35.4	Do you think this law helps men?	1	2	3	4
35.5	Do you think this law is harmful to men?	1	2	3	4
35.6	Do you think this law is of no use to men?	1	2	3	4

Section 7: HEALTH AND QUALITY OF LIFE

#	Question	Categories			
36	Have you felt stressed or depressed because of not having enough work or income?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK... 3			
37	In the last 12 months, how often have you consumed alcoholic drinks?	Every day	1		
		Once or twice a week	2		
		Once or three times a month	3		
		Never	4		

38	In the last 12 months, how often have you used drugs?	Every day or almost every day 1 Once or twice a week 2 Once or three times a month 3 Never 4	
If you answered 'Never' to questions 36, 37, and 38, advance to question #40			
39	In the last 12 months, have you been injured, or have you injured or hurt someone else while under the effects of alcohol/drugs?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK...3	

Section 8: BEHAVIOR, SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

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40	How old were you the first time you had sex?	_____ [years old].....1 I have never had sex (go to question 42).....2 NR/DK3	>42
40.1	How old was the person with whom you had sex for the first time?	_____	
40.2	How would you describe the first time you had sex? Choose one of the following:	We both wanted to have sex. 1 I didn't want to, but it happened anyway 2 I was forced to have sex 3 I forced my partner to have sex 4 I paid to have sex 5 I got paid to have sex 6 NR/DK....7	
41.1	In the last 12 months, how many sex partners have you had?	_____ [number]	
41.2	How many sex partners do you have at the moment?	_____ [number]	
41.3	Currently, are you and your primary partner using any form of contraceptive to prevent or delay pregnancy?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3	
41.4	Which method of contraception are you and your primary partner currently using?	Pills/tablets...1 Injections...2 Implants (norplant) ...3 IUD...4 Diaphragm/foam/jelly ...5 Rhythmic method/cervical mucus...6 Female sterilization ...7 Condoms...8 Male sterilization (vasectomy) ...9 Pull-out method...10 Herbs...11 Other (specify): _____12 NR/DK 13	
41.5	Did you use a condom the last time you had sexual intercourse?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3	
41.6	Do you use a condom every time you have sexual intercourse?	Yes...1 No...2 Sometimes...3 NR/DK3	

Section 9: EXPOSURE TO VIOLENCE IN THE COUNTRY

Next, I will ask you some questions about the armed conflict. Answer Yes or No to each of them:		
42.1	Have you participated as a combatant or have you been involved in the armed conflict in some way?	Yes...1 No...2 (go to question 44) NR/DK3
42.2	Were you a volunteer?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3
42.3	Was the armed conflict a positive experience to live?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3
42.4	Was the armed conflict a negative experience that continues to affect you?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3
42.5	Were you forced to abandon your home or school?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3
42.6	Do you suffer from any disability as a result of the armed conflict?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3
42.7	Did you participate in any type of torture during the armed conflict?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3
42.8	Were you forced to attend, suffer or engage in any kind of sexual relations?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3
42.9	Do you participate in any cult or religion as a result of the war?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK3
43. The following questions refer to situations outside of your participation in the armed conflict:		
43.1	Have you been involved in a fight with any kind of weapon?	Never...1 Once...2 Many times...3 NR/DK4
43.2	Have you threatened anyone?	Never...1 Once...2 Many times...3 NR/DK4
43.3	Have you physically aggressed against anyone?	Never...1 Once...2 Many times...3 NR/DK4

Section 10: SEXUAL DIVERSITY

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44. Now I will read some statements about sexual diversity. Please feel free to answer based on what you truly believe – there are no right or wrong answers. Please, indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statements:				
		Agree	Disagree	DK/NR
44.1	Being close to homosexual men makes me feel uncomfortable	1	2	3
44.2	Homosexual men shouldn't be	1	2	3

	allowed to work with children			
44.3	Homosexual men shouldn't be allowed to adopt	1	2	3
44.4	Homosexual couples should be allowed to legally marry	1	2	3
44.5	I would be embarrassed if I had a homosexual son	1	2	3

Section 11: NEIGHBORHOOD

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45. The following questions refer to the community in which you live. Please answer Yes or No to each of the following questions:				
45.1	Are the people in your neighborhood and/or community generally supportive of one another?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
45.2	In your neighborhood or community, is it common for parents to hit their children?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
45.3	In your neighborhood or community, is it common for people to hit their partners?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
45.4	Do religious organizations influence your decisions?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
45.5	Have you participated in discussions or other activities about human rights, violence?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
45.6	Have you participated in discussion or other activities about gender and/or masculinities?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
45.7	Do you recall the message of any of the violence-prevention campaigns aimed at men?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
Continuing with questions that refer to the community where you live, answer yes or no to these questions:				
46.1	Have you participated individually in catcalling or complimenting, touching or harassing women?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
46.2	Have you participated as part of a collective in catcalling or complimenting, touching or harassing women?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
46.3	Have you made fun of, harassed, or discriminated against other men?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
46.4	Do you have close male friends?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
46.5	Do you talk with your male friends about relationship problems, sexuality or health?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		
46.6	Have you fought verbally or physically with your friends or other male neighbors?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3		

46.7	Have you ever been bullied, threatened, harassed, or discriminated against by other men?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3	
47	Have you known or currently know men who have motivated you to act in a non-violent way and with quality of life?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3	
47.1	If you answered 'Yes', please specify who	Community leader...1 Public figure...2 Father...3 Relative...4 Friend...5 Professor...6 Other: _____	
48	Have you known or currently know women who inspire you to be a better man?	Yes...1 No...2 NR/DK ...3	
48.1	If you answered 'Yes', please specify who	Community leader...1 Public figure...2 Father...3 Relative...4 Friend...5 Professor...6 Other (specify): _____	

This is the end of the questionnaire. We appreciate the time you have spent in answering these questions. Your answers, along with those of approximately 1500 other men, will give us an understanding of the role of men in today's society. This information can be useful in recommending new policies. If you want more information about any of the topics we have discussed or about any health services in your community, we have prepared a list of organizations and services in your community that we would be happy to share with you.