

## Supplemental Appendix for Coethnic Mobilization of Asian Americans: Examining Support for the Black Lives Matter Movement

Figure 1: Letter with a White Author



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By James Smith

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Because our brothers and sisters are dying, [we need to stand up and speak out about the injustices that blacks are facing today](#). For this reason, I ask you to support the Black Lives Matter Movement.



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Figure 2: Letter with a Asian American Author



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Table SA. 1: OLS Regression Predicting BLM Feeling Thermometer Scores and BLM Support for Asian Americans using Asian American Linked Fate as an Interaction

	A: BLM Feeling Therm	B: BLM Support
White Author	21.84*	0.88*
	(12.45)	(0.51)
Asian American Author	8.55	0.13
	(10.50)	(0.43)
Low Linked Fate	4.70	-0.68
	(15.75)	(0.64)
Some Linked Fate	-1.63	0.02
	(10.67)	(0.44)
A Lot of Linked Fate	16.97*	0.41
	(9.59)	(0.39)
White Author*Low Linked Fate	-23.25	-0.22
	(26.20)	(1.05)
White Author*Some Linked Fate	-3.02	-0.76
	(15.16)	(0.62)
White Author*A Lot of Linked Fate	-17.00	-0.65
	(13.98)	(0.57)
Asian Am. Author*Low Linked Fate	-12.87	0.47
	(21.68)	(0.87)
Asian Am. Author*Some Linked Fate	17.17	0.36
	(13.75)	(0.56)
Asian Am. Author*A Lot of Linked Fate	-8.39	0.02
	(12.48)	(0.51)
Female	8.45**	0.27*
	(3.73)	(0.15)
Age	-0.22	-0.01
	(0.22)	(0.01)
Income	0.02	0.00
	(0.05)	(0.00)
Education	0.59	0.05
	(1.34)	(0.05)
Democrat	13.33***	0.51***
	(4.32)	(0.17)
Republican	-21.29***	-0.89***
	(6.81)	(0.27)
Discrimination	1.21	0.09
	(4.15)	(0.17)
Mobilization	10.59**	0.39**
	(4.71)	(0.19)
Native Born	0.47	0.06
	(4.19)	(0.17)
East Asian Nationality	-1.85	-0.06
	(3.75)	(0.15)
Constant	31.32	2.37***

	(20.57)	(0.82)
Observations	217	215
R-squared	0.28	0.27

\* p<0.1, \*\* p<0.05, \*\*\* p<0.01. Standard Error in Parentheses.

Table SA.2 OLS Regression Predicting BLM Feeling Thermometer Scores and BLM Support for Asian Americans by Party

	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Republican
	BLM Feeling Therm			BLM Support		
White Author	6.16 (5.39)	18.11 (13.36)	13.87 (17.36)	0.03 (0.22)	0.65 (0.47)	0.73 (0.99)
Asian Am Author	3.51 (5.24)	15.60 (12.01)	4.90 (21.63)	-0.00 (0.21)	0.55 (0.41)	-0.02 (1.20)
Female	8.83** (4.28)	22.02** (9.85)	-17.97 (14.25)	0.16 (0.17)	1.07*** (0.35)	-0.93 (0.79)
Age	0.02 (0.27)	-0.92 (0.58)	0.58 (0.77)	-0.01 (0.01)	-0.02 (0.02)	-0.02 (0.04)
Income	0.01 (0.05)	0.01 (0.14)	-0.16 (0.17)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	-0.01 (0.01)
Education	0.49 (1.63)	1.79 (2.99)	8.11 (4.84)	0.04 (0.07)	0.05 (0.11)	0.28 (0.29)
Mobilization	8.44 (5.35)	10.62 (12.05)	-6.52 (15.90)	0.18 (0.22)	0.57 (0.45)	-0.05 (0.98)
Discrimination	-0.61 (4.94)	-9.69 (12.05)	27.31** (12.38)	0.30 (0.20)	-0.78* (0.41)	0.97 (0.75)
Native Born	2.32 (4.98)	2.66 (10.16)	-20.63 (13.95)	0.06 (0.20)	0.09 (0.36)	-0.92 (0.79)
Constant	51.12** (24.14)	35.56 (44.87)	-97.90 (88.82)	3.12*** (0.97)	2.65* (1.49)	-0.52 (5.33)
Observations	129	50	25	128	50	24
R-squared	0.07	0.26	0.49	0.05	0.35	0.34

\* p<0.1, \*\* p<0.05, \*\*\* p<0.01. Standard Error in Parentheses.

Table SA.3 OLS Regression Predicting BLM Feeling Thermometer Scores and BLM Support for Whites by Party

	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Republican
	BLM Feeling Therm			BLM Support		
White Author	13.14*	5.29	20.45**	0.44	0.30	0.70
	(7.44)	(9.92)	(9.98)	(0.28)	(0.47)	(0.42)
Asian Am Author	11.53	5.25	-0.55	0.26	0.09	-0.29
	(7.92)	(9.64)	(10.25)	(0.29)	(0.46)	(0.43)
-Female	11.69*	14.59*	10.94	0.44*	0.45	0.41
	(6.31)	(7.77)	(8.37)	(0.23)	(0.37)	(0.35)
Age	0.06	0.60*	-0.26	0.00	0.01	-0.02
	(0.26)	(0.31)	(0.29)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)
Income	-0.02	-0.07	-0.02	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
	(0.09)	(0.12)	(0.11)	(0.00)	(0.01)	(0.00)
Education	0.64	2.31	-1.02	0.07	0.08	-0.03
	(2.03)	(2.23)	(2.45)	(0.07)	(0.11)	(0.10)
Mobilization	7.93	16.45	-0.95	0.16	0.21	-0.00
	(6.72)	(10.61)	(8.42)	(0.25)	(0.50)	(0.36)
Discrimination	-8.94	-15.05*	-15.79*	-0.44*	-0.45	-0.64*
	(6.43)	(8.34)	(8.23)	(0.24)	(0.40)	(0.35)
Native Born	9.51	-10.41		0.62	-0.09	
	(20.54)	(22.41)		(0.76)	(1.07)	
Constant	31.16	-10.95	51.44	1.89	1.10	3.29**
	(40.43)	(41.45)	(37.90)	(1.49)	(1.97)	(1.60)
Observations	86	56	68	85	56	68
R-squared	0.12	0.24	0.17	0.13	0.10	0.18

\* p<0.1, \*\* p<0.05, \*\*\* p<0.01. Standard Error in Parentheses.

Table SA.4 OLS Regression Predicting BLM Feeling Thermometer Scores and BLM Support for Asian Americans by Regional Nationality

	BLM Support			BLM Feeling Thermometer Score		
	East Asian	South Asian	South East Asian	East Asian	South Asian	South East Asian
White Author	0.28 (0.28)	0.10 (0.40)	0.71* (0.41)	9.77 (7.53)	10.24 (8.84)	18.00* (9.24)
Asian Am Author	0.31 (0.26)	0.01 (0.41)	0.22 (0.39)	9.13 (6.96)	2.51 (9.23)	5.17 (8.76)
Female	0.41* (0.22)	-0.15 (0.32)	0.42 (0.33)	10.08* (5.77)	4.04 (7.17)	8.66 (7.41)
Age	-0.02 (0.01)	0.00 (0.02)	0.00 (0.03)	-0.36 (0.31)	0.05 (0.48)	0.07 (0.57)
Income	-0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)	0.01 (0.07)	0.06 (0.10)	0.12 (0.09)
Education	0.12* (0.07)	0.09 (0.11)	-0.22 (0.14)	1.61 (1.88)	4.25* (2.44)	-3.25 (3.21)
Democrat	0.60*** (0.22)	0.38 (0.42)	0.81* (0.45)	16.54*** (5.97)	10.47 (9.44)	22.49** (10.24)
Republican	-0.26 (0.50)	-1.36** (0.62)	-0.67 (0.55)	-7.39 (13.40)	-19.80 (13.94)	-20.26 (12.29)
Mobilization	0.68** (0.29)	0.36 (0.35)	-0.05 (0.39)	14.45* (7.65)	15.98* (7.98)	-6.08 (8.60)
Discrimination	0.09 (0.24)	0.23 (0.36)	0.29 (0.39)	3.04 (6.60)	3.80 (8.34)	5.30 (8.72)
Native Born	0.30 (0.25)	-0.07 (0.33)	-0.45 (0.37)	7.57 (6.80)	-4.48 (7.56)	-7.84 (8.27)
Constant	1.19 (1.05)	1.75 (1.63)	5.97*** (1.83)	16.81 (28.20)	-20.42 (41.52)	80.54* (42.43)
Observations	110	44	60	111	44	60
R-squared	0.26	0.33	0.31	0.23	0.32	0.40

\* p<0.1, \*\* p<0.05, \*\*\* p<0.01. Standard Error in Parentheses.

Table SA.5 OLS Regression Predicting BLM Feeling Thermometer Scores and BLM Support for Asian Americans with Interaction for Mobilization

	A: BLM Feeling Thermometer	B: BLM Support
White Author	12.45*** (4.74)	0.50*** (0.19)
Asian Am Author	4.41 (4.69)	0.21 (0.19)
Mobilized	7.33 (6.59)	0.27 (0.27)
White Author*Mobilized	-6.82 (9.40)	-0.41 (0.38)
Asian Am Author*Mobilized	11.02 (9.35)	0.38 (0.38)
Female	8.11** (3.44)	0.27* (0.14)
Age	-0.16 (0.21)	-0.01 (0.01)
Income	0.03 (0.04)	0.00 (0.00)
Education	0.90 (1.22)	0.03 (0.05)
Democrat	13.82*** (3.93)	0.52*** (0.16)
Republican	-12.08** (5.57)	-0.50** (0.23)
Discrimination	1.95 (3.72)	0.29* (0.15)
Native Born	-2.59 (3.78)	-0.04 (0.15)
East Asian	1.43 (3.41)	0.08 (0.14)
Constant	33.36* (18.36)	2.35*** (0.74)
Observations	253	251
R-squared	0.22	0.24

\* p<0.1, \*\* p<0.05, \*\*\* p<0.01. Standard Error in Parentheses.



Table SA.6 Comparison of White Respondents' Demographic Data across both MTurk Samples and the CCES.

	Nov. 2016 Survey	Dec. 2016 Survey	2016 CCES
Age	38	40	49
Education	15	15	14
Female	59	49	49
Income	57	65	73