

## Consent to Take Part in a Human Research Study

### **Title of research study:** *Moral Framing of News*

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### **Key Information:**

The following focused information is being presented to assist you in understanding the key elements of this study, as well as the basic reasons why you may or may not wish to consider taking part. This section is only a summary; more detailed information, including how to contact the research team for additional information or questions, follows within the remainder of this document under the “Detailed Information” heading.

### **What should I know about a research study?**

- Someone will explain this research study to you.
- Taking part in the research is voluntary; whether or not you take part is up to you.
- You can choose not to take part.
- You can agree to take part and later change your mind.
- Your decision will not be held against you.
- You can ask all the questions you want before you decide, and can ask questions at any time during the study.

We invite you to take part in a research study about political participation because you meet the following criteria: you are an adult living in the Nigeria.

In general, your participation in the research involves answering a 10-minute survey questions political participation of women, your political preferences, and your demographic information.

There are no known risks in taking part of this research, however the possible benefit to society is an improved understanding of political behavior.

### **Detailed Information:**

The following is more detailed information about this study, in addition to the information listed above.

### **Why is this research being done?**

This research is being done to better understand the impact of framing of news articles on social attitudes towards gender roles as well as female politicians.

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### ***How long will the research last?***

We expect that you will be in this research study for approximately 10 minutes.

### ***How many people will be studied?***

We expect to enroll about 200 people in this research study.

### ***What happens if I say yes, I want to be in this research?***

This research consists of an online survey that lasts approximately 10 minutes. You will be interacting with the Qualtrics survey software. You can take the survey from anywhere you wish. The survey will start immediately. This is a single survey, there will be no follow-up

### ***What happens if I do not want to be in this research?***

You can choose not to take part in the research and it will not be held against you. Choosing not to take part will involve no penalty or loss of benefit to which you are otherwise entitled.

### ***What happens if I say yes, but I change my mind later?***

You can leave the research at any time and it will not be held against you. If you quit the study after starting it, we may use partially complete data in our analyses.

### ***Is there any way being in this study could be bad for me?***

There are no foreseeable risks related to the procedures conducted as part of this study. If you choose to take part and undergo a negative event you feel is related to the study, please inform your study team.

### ***Will being in this study help me in any way?***

We cannot promise any benefits to you or others from your taking part in this research. However, possible benefits include for you personally a better understanding of your own political beliefs and for society-at-large a better understanding of why women are under-represented in politics.

### ***What happens to the information collected for the research?***

Your taking part in this project is anonymous, and information you provide cannot be linked to your identity. We may publish the results of this research. However, unless otherwise detailed in this document, we will keep your name and other identifying information confidential.

### ***Can I be removed from the research without my OK?***

The person in charge of the research study can remove you from the research study without your approval. Possible reasons for removal include use of a VPS or VPN or an attempt to access this survey from a location outside of Nigeria.

### ***Who can I talk to?***

If you have questions, concerns, or complaints, or think the research has hurt you, you should talk to the research team at [myriam.shiran@gmail.com](mailto:myriam.shiran@gmail.com) or (832) 6593826

This research has been reviewed and approved by the University of Houston Institutional Review Board (IRB). You may also talk to them at (713) 743-9204 or [cphs@central.uh.edu](mailto:cphs@central.uh.edu) if:

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- Your questions, concerns, or complaints are not being answered by the research team.
- You cannot reach the research team.
- You want to talk to someone besides the research team.
- You have questions about your rights as a research subject.
- You want to get information or provide input about this research.

*I have read the consent information and agree to take part in the research.*