**[Deception Debriefing Statement Template - suggested text]**

[Keep all non-bracketed text as is while addressing the issues in brackets as appropriate to your study, then delete brackets and this paragraph and header. The first line to appear should be “[Project title] Debriefing Statement”. Address every area in brackets on the form. Bolded sections should remain bold. Adapt the form so participants will understand it, but do not leave out any sections. ]

**[Project title] Debriefing Statement**

[Researcher’s name]

[Supervisor’s name if applicable (e.g. thesis advisor)]

Kenyon College Department of [fill in department name]

[Researcher phone number; include international calling code if research is outside the US]

[Your email address]

[Thank the participant for participating (optional, but customary)]

You were initially told that the purpose of this study was [fill in]. In fact, the actual purpose of the study was [fill in]. The study was actually designed to [test/determine/find out/etc.] [complete the sentence based on the goals of the study]. [If appropriate, add here whether anything happened during the participant’s research experience of which the participant was unaware; also, if appropriate, add here a description of any roles played by researchers that were misleading.]

This research project required the use of deception or incomplete disclosure because [fill in all reasons].

If you have any questions at this time, please ask the researcher. If you have any questions or concerns later, please contact the researcher using the contact information above. You may also contact the researcher for a copy of the final report. [You will be given a copy of this statement. – only include if applicable.]

At this time, if you want to withdraw the information you provided for the study, you may do so without penalty. Please inform the researchers in this case. You may also decide, upon reflection, to withdraw your information later; in that case, you may contact the researcher and request that your information be withdrawn. [You will still receive compensation for this experiment. (If applicable)] [If you withdraw information now or later, any audio recordings, video recordings, or photographs taken of you will also be destroyed. – only include if applicable.]

[[if the study is ongoing]: We urge you not to discuss this study with anyone else who is currently participating or might participate at a future time. As you can certainly appreciate, we will not be able to examine[the research topic]in participants who know about the true purpose of the project beforehand.

If you have questions or concerns about your rights as a participant in this research study, you can contact the Kenyon College IRB by email at IRB@keenyon.edu.

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