

## **PARTICIPANT INFORMATION FORM**

### *The Impacts of the Closure of Sangatte*

You are invited to participate in a Senior Thesis Study conducted by Anita Hannig, a student at Reed College in Portland, Oregon, U.S.A. Through this study the researcher hopes to learn about the impact of the recent closure of the refugee camp *Sangatte* in Northern France on the experience of refugees, locals, and decisions of regional policy makers. Your personal experience with refugee politics in the region and your perception of the daily struggles of refugees will be a valuable asset to this research project.

Your participation involves an interview with the investigator, which will take 30-60 minutes. The interview will include some basic questions such as: How long have you lived in the area? Have you been politically or otherwise involved in refugee issues? The interview will focus more, though, on your personal stories, or on any topics you think important concerning refugee matters in your district.

Your interview will be kept entirely confidential by the researcher. For example, no information from the interview (including whether you participated) will be disclosed to public officials, nor to the media, nor to any of your fellow residents. The interviews will be tape-recorded and then transcribed into a secure computer file to which only the researcher has access. After transcription, the tapes will be erased. In all written versions of the research, your name will never be used. In addition, any data by which you could be individually identified will not be included in the written versions. However, if you agree to this during the interview, the researcher might quote your exact words in her research report, without any identifying information.

Participation in this study is entirely voluntary. You may refuse to answer any question at any time. You may terminate the interview altogether at any time. And at any time before the end of the interview, you may request the researcher to erase all or part of your previously recorded answers.

The researcher, Anita Hannig, will answer any questions about her research project, and can be contacted at the address below. Concerns about any aspect of this study may also be referred to Professor Dell Rhodes, Chair of the Reed College Human Subjects Research Committee, 3203 SE Woodstock Blvd., Portland, OR 97202, USA, [dell.rhodes@reed.edu](mailto:dell.rhodes@reed.edu).

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