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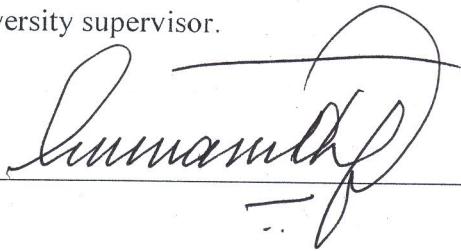
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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ACHPR	-	African Charter on Human and People's Rights
ACRWC	-	African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child
AG	-	Attorney General
AIDS	-	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
CEDAW	-	Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women
CIPEV	-	Commission of Inquiry into Post Election Violence
COVAW	-	Coalition on Violence Against Women
CRC	-	Convention on the Rights of the Child
CRCVC	-	Canadian Resource Centre for Victims of crime
FIDH	-	International Federation for Human Rights
GBVRC	-	Gender Based Violence Recovery Centre
GVRC	-	Gender Violence Recovery Centre
IACHR	-	Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
ICAT	-	International Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment
ICC	-	International Criminal Court
ICCPR	-	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
ICESCR	-	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

ICJ-K	-	International Commission of Jurists – Kenya
ICTR	-	International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda
ICTY	-	International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia
IED	-	Institute for Education in Democracy
KHRC	-	Kenya Human Rights Commission
KNCHR	-	Kenya National Commission on Human Rights
KNH	-	Kenyatta National Hospital
KPPP	-	Kenya Prisons Paralegal Project
KPS	-	Kenya Prison Service
LAHI	-	Law and Health Initiative
LRF	-	Legal Resource Foundation Trust
NGO	-	Non Governmental Organization
OVC	-	Office for Victims of Crime
UDHR	-	Universal Declaration of Human Rights
UN	-	United Nations
US	-	United States
VOCA	-	Victims of Crime Act
VWS	-	Victim and Witness Section
WG	-	Working Group
WPP	-	Witness Protection Programme

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