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• Supreme Court of Uganda Rules on the Application of the Amnesty Act 4/15/2015

Last week, the Supreme Court of Uganda ruled that the trial of Thomas Kwoyelo, a former mid-level commander of the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA), must resume before the International Crimes Division (ICD) of the High Court of Uganda. The April 8 decision, Uganda v. Thomas Kwoyelo, Constitutional Appeal No. 01 of 2012, paves the way for the ICD to exercise its judicial mandate to try grave crimes and consequently realize the principle of complementarity that is at the heart of the Rome Statute.

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Overlooked and Invisible: The Women of Enforced Disappearances 4/14/2015

70-94% of the victims of enforced disappearances are men. But what happens to the women left behind? ICTJ's Amrita Kapur explains why women are uniquely impacted by the crime, and how transitional justice can help.

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Uganda: Hundreds in Uganda Pay Tribute to Genocide Victims

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Hundreds of mourners yesterday thronged the Lambu Memorial Centre in Uganda to pay tribute to victims of the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi.

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UN begins biometric registration of Rwandans in DRC

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The UN's High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) has launched a biometric registration process for some 245,000 Rwandan refugees living in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

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Congo-Kinshasa: DRC Government Urged to Investigate Mass Grave

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Polemics have continued to persist on the way forward in handling the issue of at least 421 bodies found in an unmarked burial ground in Maluku, some 100 km from the capital of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Kinshasa.

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• It's official: #RhodesWillFall

4/9/2015

"All Rhodes lead to the colonisation of the mind", read a banner brandished by students gathered to hear the decision of the UCT council on Wednesday evening. Others carried newspaper placards anticipating "The Inevitable Fall of Rhodes". The group of students numbered only a few dozen, but they were vocal and passionate. Toyi-toying and singing, they waited to hear the decision of the council. It was not expected to take long.

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Kwoyelo amnesty plea flops

4/7/2015

The Supreme Court has okayed the trial of ex-commander of the Lord's Resistance Army(LRA) Thomas Kwoyelo, upsetting his amnesty bid

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Kenyan students march to honour Garissa victims

4/6/2015

Hundreds of Kenyan students have marched in downtown Nairobi to honour the 148 people who died in an attack by al-Shabab fighters at a college campus in Garissa and to press the government for better security in the wake of the killings

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Kenya troops storm university campus held by al-Shabab

4/1/2015

Kenyan security forces have stormed a dormitory held by al-Shabab gunmen who had attacked a university campus in the town of Garissa in northeast Kenya.

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• Kenyan prosecutors seek security after death of Ugandan counterpart 4/1/2015

Kenyan chief prosecutor on Wednesday expressed concerns over security of prosecutors following the murder of Ugandan acting Director of Public Prosecutions Joan Kagezi in Kampala on Monday. "The demise of Kagezi, the lead prosecutor in the Al-Shabaab terrorist case in Uganda underscores the need for governments to urgently look into the security of prosecutors, investigators and judicial officers handling emerging and transnational organised crimes," Director of Public Prosecutions Keriako Tobiko said in a statement issued in Nairobi.