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ABBREVIATIONS

AQIM Al Qaeda in the Maghreb CAR Central African Republic

DCC Document Containing the Charges
DRC Democratic Republic of Congo

ECCC Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia

ECtHR European Court of Human Rights

EoC ICC Elements of Crimes

FDLR Forces Démocratiques pour la Liberation du Rwanda FIDH Fédération Internationale des Ligues des Droits de l'Homme

FNI Front des Nationalistes et Intégrationnistes
FRPI Force de Résistance Patriotique en Ituri
IACtHR Inter-American Court of Human Rights

ICC International Criminal Court

ICCPR International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights ICTR International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

ICTY International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia

IDP Internally Displaced Persons
 IHL International Humanitarian Law
 ILC International Law Commission
 IWPR Institute for War and Peace Reporting

 $LGBTIQ \qquad Lesbian, gay, bis exual, transgender, intersex and/or \, queer$

LRA Lord's Resistance Army

MLC Mouvement de Libération du Congo
 NGO Non-governmental organisation
 OPCD Office of Public Counsel for the Defence
 OPCV Office of Public Counsel for Victims

OTP Office of the Prosecutor

RPE ICC Rules of Procedure and Evidence

RS Rome Statute

SCSL Special Court for Sierra Leone

UK United Kingdom



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UN United Nations

UNESCO UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNICEF UN Children's Fund

UPC Union des Patriotes Congolais US United States of America