**ICRC and University of Nairobi**

**Academic Roundtable and Signing Ceremony**

**9 November 2021**

1. **Summary of event**

An in-person, 1-day event, for key academic interlocutors and selected alumni of IHL moot court competitions. The event will serve as a promotion for the new University of Nairobi IHL Journal and for the Updated Commentaries to the Geneva Conventions. It will also serve as a platform to encourage discussion on key IHL topics in Kenya via a panel format, that is intended to maximise the participation and ownership by the academic community.

1. **COVID-19 protocol**

The event will be held at the **Tamarind Hotel in Nairobi** which provides is sufficient space to enable ample distance between participants. Lunch will be taken at the same hotel which has an out outdo sitting area. All participants will be provided with masks and sanitizer.

1. **Draft agenda**

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| **Time** | **Event** |
| 9:00 - 9:30 | Welcome addresses   * ICRC Head of Nairobi Delegation * Dean of Law School, University of Nairobi |
| 9:30 – 9:45 | * Remarks by Justice (rtd) Joyce Alouch (TBC) * Remarks by Prof Githu Muigai ( TBC) * Background and visions of the University of Nairobi IHL Journal – Dr. Ken Mutuma |
| 9:45 – 10:00 | Signing ceremony for University of Nairobi IHL Journal |
| 10:00 – 11:00 | Guest Lecture: Dr Jean-Marie Henckaerts, Head of Commentaries Update Unit, Geneva – The legal methodology of treaty interpretation (particular focus on the updated commentaries to the Geneva Conventions. |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Morning tea |
| 11:30 – 13:00 | Panel 1 – Legal aspects of detention in International and Non-International Armed Conflicts; The intersection between international human rights law and domestic legal framework for regulation of security detention. |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch |
| 14:00 – 15:15 | Panel 2 – IHL and counterterrorism operations; IHL and Armed Non-State Actors. |
| 15:15 – 16:30 | Panel 3 – Looking ahead; furthering IHL expertise in Kenya |
| 16:30 - | Afternoon tea and close |