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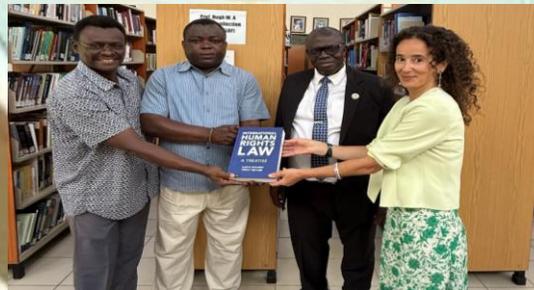


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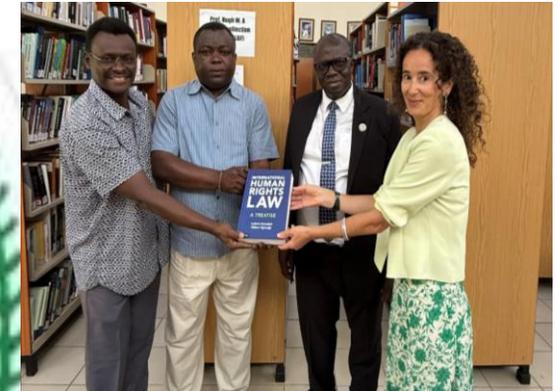
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Prof. Hélène Tigrouja visits the African Court Library

On 14 May the Library received Prof. Hélène Tigrouja, who was on a visit to the Court.



Prof. Hélène Tigrouja is a French jurist and international law expert. She has been a member of the Human Rights Committee, the United Nations body in charge of monitoring compliance with the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. She is the author of many books, a number of which the library has copies, especially those that touch on human rights and international law. During the visit, she donated her latest book, *International Human Rights Law: A Treatise*, which was received with gratitude by Hon. Justice Dennis Adjei and library staff.

Librarian Summits Mt Kilimanjaro

On 10 August 2025, the Librarian of the Court climbed and summited Mt Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain.



Part of the objectives of the expedition was to hoist the flag of the African Union and the African Court at the mountain's Uhuru peak signpost, which is Africa's highest point at 19,341 feet (5895 meters) above sea level.



It was also an addition to the promotional efforts of the Court. The expedition started on 6 August and culminated and after trekking through 5 ecological zones, the team reached the summit at dawn on 10



Development of an African Court Electronic Library (E-Library)

Development of the African Court e-library was completed in October 2025. An introductory brief was given to the judges during the 29th ordinary session (November 2025). This was by the developer. It will be followed by training of various groups of users.



New Library Staff member reports for work

The library has been operating with less than the recommended number of personnel for a long time. The situation became worse with the departure of the former Library Assistant in 2022. Following the due recruitment process in 2023, the successful candidate for the position of Library Assistant reported for work on 15 September 2025. We welcome Ms Mary Wanjiru Wanjiku to the African Court family.



Her arrival will positively impact on the quality and quantity of library services. The library has been very understaffed but one more hand on the deck will go a long way in easing the pressure.

Librarian and registry staff visit the new seat of the Court

The Registry made one of its various visits to the new seat of the Court at Kudu hills on 18 July 2025. The delegation included management and staff of the Court. They were joined by officials from the Ministry of Foreign affairs and the contracting company that is undertaking the

construction. The objective of the visit was to inspect the building with a view of making inputs as the construction progressed. The Library was represented by the Librarian.



Ethics training for registry staff, 17 July 2025

Library staff attended a training on professional ethics and related areas. In this participatory training staff learnt among other things building a respectful and ethical workplace, how to improve morale and communication, promoting wellness, etiquette, and how to reduce stress and conflict.



The training was facilitated by Hon. Lady Justice Tujilane Rose Chizumila, Judge of the Court, and brought

together staff, fellows and interns from various departments to engage in a dynamic and interactive session aimed at strengthening a conducive workplace environment.



Health talk on Mental well-being 28 Oct 2025

The Registry organised a health talk/training on mental health and wellbeing. The talk was facilitated by Dr. Glory Cuthbert, a clinical Psychologist based in Arusha.



Staff learnt that prioritizing mental health allows them to work productively, realize their full potential, and lead a more fulfilling life. Library staff participated in the talk and prepared a comprehensive bibliography on the subject for all staff.



Staff were informed that good mental health impacts on stress management, relationships and thought. It is closely connected to physical health.

Registry review and planning meeting

The Court registry held a review and planning meeting in Nairobi from 7th to 12 December 2025. The aim of the meeting was to finalize critical institutional documents that will guide the Court's judicial operations and strategic direction for the coming years. It was attended by all staff.

