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Abbreviations and glossary

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A

ACN: Action Congress of Nigeria
ACLED: Armed Conflict Location and Event Data Project
ANPP: All Nigeria Peoples Party
APC: All Progressives Congress
APGA: All Progressives Grand Alliance
Asylum Procedures Directive: Directive 2013/32/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on common procedures for granting and withdrawing international protection

C

CAT: Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment
CEAS: Common European Asylum System
CJEU: Court of Justice of the European Union
CJTF: Civilian Joint Task Force
COI: Country of origin information
CPC: Congress for Progressive Change

D

DDR: Disarmament, Demobilisation, and Reintegration Programme in the Niger Delta

E

EASO: European Asylum Support Office
ECHR: Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (European Convention on Human Rights), as amended by Protocols Nos. 11 and 14, 4 November 1950
ECtHR: European Court of Human Rights

EU: European Union
EU Anti-Trafficking Directive: Directive 2011/36/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2011 on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims, and replacing Council Framework Decision 2002/629/JHA

F

FCT: Federal Capital Territory
FGM/C: Female genital mutilation/cutting

H

Hisbah: Islamic police
HIV: Human immunodeficiency virus

I

ICC: International Criminal Court
IDP(s): Internally displaced person(s)
IED: Improvised Explosive Device
IMN: Islamic Movement in Nigeria
IPA: Internal protection alternative
IPOB: Indigenous People of Biafra
ISIS-WA: Islamic State - West Africa

J

JAS: Jama'atu Ahlis Sunna Lidda'adati wal-Jihad
JTF: Joint Task Force
juju: Belief in witchcraft

L

LGA: Local Government Areas
LGBT: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans persons. For the purposes of this document, 'LGBT' is used to refer to persons of diverse sexual orientation and gender identity. While the term LGBTIQ, including the intersex and the queer/questioning individuals, is broadly used, the COI, analysis and guidance in this document are limited to the situation of LGBT persons.

M

MASSOB: Movement for the Actualization of the Sovereign State of Biafra
MEND: Movement for the Emancipation of the Niger Delta
MNJTF: Multi-National Joint Task Force

N

NAF: Nigerian Armed Forces
NAPTIP: Nigerian National Agency for Prohibition of Trafficking in Persons
NDA: Niger Delta Avengers
NDPVF: Niger Delta People's Volunteer Force
NGO: Non-governmental organisation
NPF: Nigeria Police Force

O

OHCHR: (United Nations) Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

P

PDP: People's Democratic Party

Q

QD: (Qualification Directive) Directive 2011/95/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on standards for the qualification of third-country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection, for a uniform status for refugees or for persons eligible for subsidiary protection, and for the content of the protection granted

S

SARS: Special Anti-Robbery Squad of the NPF
Sharia: The religious law of Islam; Islamic canonical law
'sodomy': According to Sharia, 'sodomy' is a crime committed in the following way: 'Whoever has anal coitus with any man is said to commit the offence of sodomy' (Kaduna and Yobe); 'Whoever has carnal intercourse against the order of nature with any man or woman is said to commit the offence of sodomy' (all other Sharia-implementing states. Kano and Katsina qualify this: 'with any man or woman through her rectum'.
See: http://www.sharia-in-africa.net/media/publications/sharia-implementation-in-northern-nigeria/vol_4_4_chapter_4_part_III.pdf
SSMPA: Same Sex Marriage (Prohibition) Act

T

THB: Trafficking in Human Beings

U

UN: United Nations

UNICEF: United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
UNODC: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

V

VAPP: Violence Against Persons Prohibition (bill)

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