DO CONFESSIONS AND EVIDENCE OBTAINED THROUGH TORTURE HAVE LEGAL FORCE IN INTERNATIONAL LAW? A CRITICAL APPRAISAL OF REMEDIES AVAILABLE TO VICTIMS OF TORTURE IN UGANDA

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ABSTRACT

This is a comment on the remedies available to victims of torture in Uganda. Against the backdrop of the evidence and procedures in the international and regional legal regimes, the paper analyzes the law relating to evidence obtained through torture in Uganda. It is shown that whereas torture is prohibited in Uganda, there is ample evidence to show that in practice, the vice is prevalent. The crux of the paper is a critical appraisal of the remedies available to victims of torture or their relatives in Uganda.