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The Buffalo Human Rights Law Review is honored to present its Volume 10 for 2004. We hope that the words contained in this publication will inspire the continued study and exploration of the world of human rights.

This edition of the Buffalo Human Rights Law Review contains writings that address a variety of human rights issues. The first article is by Professor Ali A. Mazrui, and is meant to serve as an introduction to the second article by Professor Makau Mutua. Professor Mazrui discusses the need for a Truth, Justice and Reconciliation Committee to be established in Kenya; one that follows South Africa's experience, but perhaps goes one step further. This is followed by the unabridged report of the Commission established to look into Kenya forming a Truth, Justice and Reconciliation Committee, which was chaired by Professor Makau Mutua. Professor Mutua returned to Kenya to spend one year chairing the Commission, and met with Kenyans in every province to find out the wishes of the Kenyan people. His report is both a summary of the findings as well as recommendations for action, based on the desires of the population as expressed to the Commission throughout the life of the Commission.

After the two articles on Kenya, we have an article that deals with a topic that has received some much-deserved attention, yet there is still much work to be done in this area. Our third article is by Robyn Emerton, who explores the trafficking of women in Hong Kong and how recent legal developments pertaining to this problem affect women's international human rights. The fourth article is by Robert Charles Blitt, who makes the case for a regulatory system to monitor NGO's. As he points out, NGO's have been instrumental in the development of the field of human rights, and often the international community relies on NGO's, and yet there is no method to regulate them.

We are also pleased to announce the return of student notes and book reviews to the Buffalo Human Rights Law Review. We have two notes and two book reviews. The first note by John Lichtenthal addresses the effects of the recent PATRIOT Act on civil liberties. The second note by Anne Joynt involves the situation of the Guantanamo Bay detainees and what is to be gained or lost by the legal title they are given. The first book review, by Lisa Danish, is of Anne Orford's book, Reading Humanitarian Intervention: Human Rights and the Use of Force in International Law; the second book review, by Susan Cimini, is of Katerina Dalacoura's, Engagement or Coercion? Weighing Western Human Rights Policies towards Turkey, Iran and Egypt.

It was a great pleasure working with such a wonderful Editorial Board and staff of Associates in producing this year's volume. Our first
year clerks were especially helpful. We would also like to express our appreciation to Professor Makau Mutua for his encouragement and guidance in the production of this journal, and also the Deans of the University at Buffalo, especially Dean Nils Olsen, for their continued support. We would also like to thank the readers of this journal for their continued interest in human rights, and, as always, we welcome and appreciate your thoughts on this volume. We encourage and look forward to receiving submissions that involve human rights and their corresponding legal contexts.