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**EFFECTS OF TERRORISM ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN MANDERA
COUNTY, KENYA**

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this study was to find out the effects of terrorism on economic development in Mandera County, in the north eastern part of Kenya. This study was guided by the following objectives; to study the effects of terrorism on tourism in Mandera County; to study the effects of terrorism on trade in Mandera County, and to study the effects of terrorism on foreign direct investment in Mandera County. The design of this research was descriptive survey research design. A descriptive survey research seeks to obtain information that describes existing phenomena by asking individuals about their perceptions, attitude, behavior or values (Mugenda and Mugenda 2004). The target population for the study was all the residents in Mandera County. The sample size was 10 community leaders and 120 residents from the target population. Community leaders were purposively sampled while the community members were sampled through simple random sampling. Views were collected through questionnaires from community members and interviews from community leaders. Data was analyzed through the use of Statistical Packages for Social Sciences (SPSS) and presented by use of frequency tables and graphs. The study revealed that terrorism negatively impacts on tourist, foreign direct investment and local trade. Arising from the study findings, recommendations were made thereafter.