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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

CJNG	: Cartel Jalisco New Generation
CPI	: Corruption Perception Index
DTOs	: Drug Trade Organizations
ENSU	: National Survey of Urban Public Safety
FDI	: Foreign Direct Investment
FGR	: <i>Fiscalía General de la República</i>
GDP	: Gross Domestic Product
IMF	: International Monetary Fund
INEGI	: National Institute of Statistics and Geography
MSMEs	: Micro, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises
OECD	: Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
OCG	: Organized Crime Groups
PEMEX	: Petróleos Mexicanos
PGR	: <i>Procuraduría General de la República</i>
SNA	: <i>Sistema Nacional Anticorrupción</i>
TOC	: Transnational Organized Crime
U.S.	: United States
WOLA	: Washington Office on Latin America

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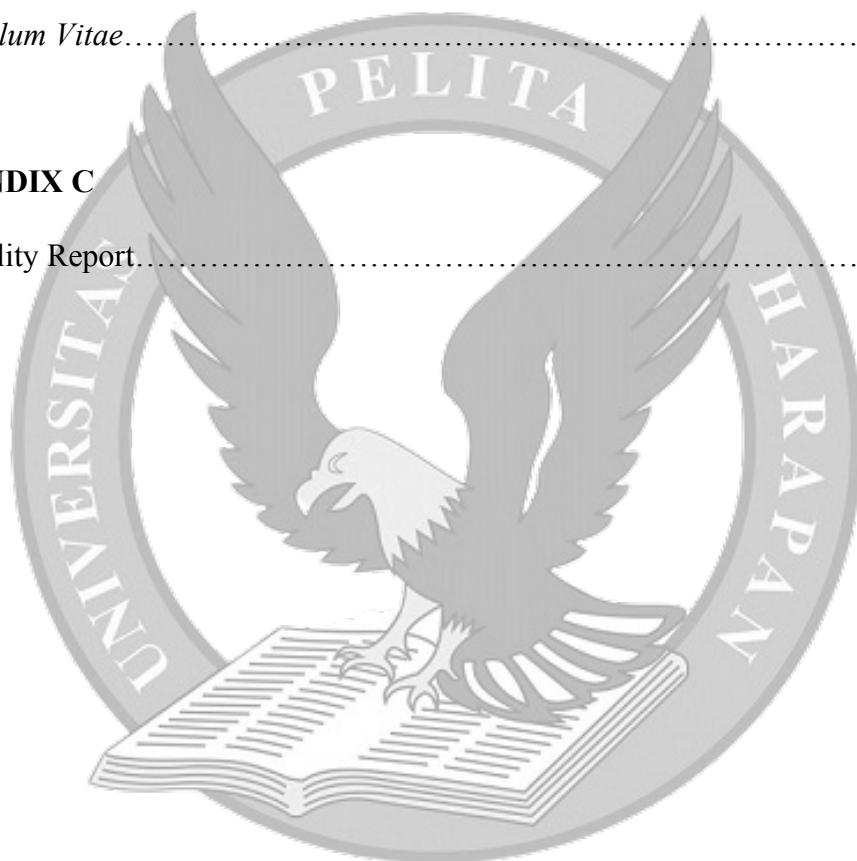
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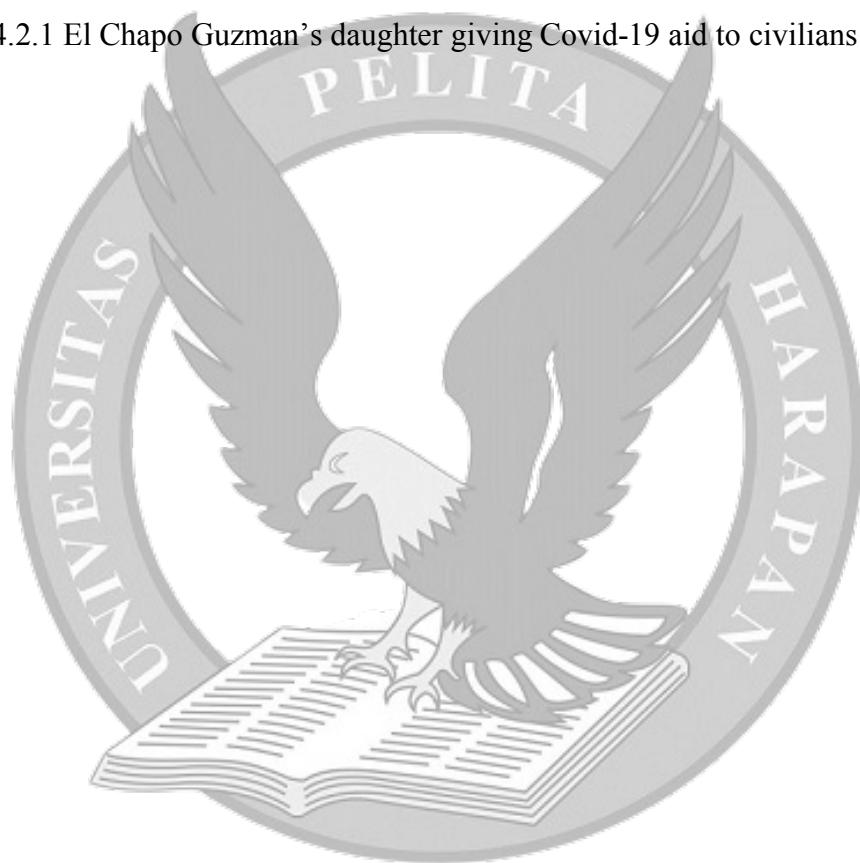


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