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LIST OF ACRONYMS

EFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development

KBS Kenya Bus Service

NMT Non-Motorised Transport

OECD Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

SACCO Savings and Credit Cooperative Organisation

SPDC Social Policy and Development Centre

SPSS Statistical Package for the Social Sciences

UN United Nations

WEF World Economic Forum

WEL Women's Empowerment Link

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Public transportation is a necessary service for accessing economic, educational and social opportunities. Yet public transportation around the world has been found to be unequivocally less safe for women than for men.

Historically, the public transportation industry in many African cities has been overwhelmingly male-dominated, but as more women seek employment, they are venturing into transportation jobs. Unfortunately, women entering the industry are faced with myriad challenges associated with their gender and representation which remains particularly low.

Strengthening women's role within the transport industry will create safer public spaces and better mobility for everyone. Flone Initiative seeks to promote gender equity and professionalism in public transport while leveraging on existing partnerships to strengthen policies aimed at ensuring safe spaces for women and girls and increased economic participation by women on an equal footing with their male counterparts in the industry.

This Gender Equity Assessment was aimed at understanding gender inequalities in the Nairobi minibus public transport service industry and to evaluate the existing policies that affect women in regard to employment, retention, promotion, safety and sexual

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