

ARC East Africa Weekly Chronology

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9 Aug 2022 Nairobi (Kenya) *The EastAfrican*. Nairobi flags off its first ever consignment of fresh avocados to **China**, cementing its place as the continent's leading exporter of the fruit and the sixth largest globally;

9 Aug 2022 Djibouti (Djibouti) *Xinhua*. Djibouti-headquartered **Salaam African Bank** acquires **Top Finance Bank Limited** in **Uganda** in an expansion move;

9 Aug 2022 Kinshasa (DRC) *VoA*. United States secretary of state **Antony Blinken** arrives in **DRC** to raise concerns that tensions with neighbouring **Rwanda** could spread instability in the region;

9 Aug 2022 Nairobi (Kenya) *Daily Nation*. **William Ruto** takes an early lead in the general election, as polling stations close with no reports of electoral violence, despite some irregularities in the early voting hours;

8 Aug 2022 Kigali (Rwanda) *CNBC*. **Rwanda** dismisses allegations contained in a report by the **United Nations Group of Experts** that its army supported the **M23** rebels in attacking the DRC;

7 Aug 2022 Nairobi (Kenya) *Daily Nation*. Presidential election candidates make their final push for votes ahead of the 9 August election;

6 Aug 2022 (East Africa) *The EastAfrican*. **Shippers Council of East Africa** survey finds transporters using the **Northern Corridor** have been bearing some of the highest costs in the world, reflecting how a

shortage of routes is impeding the competitiveness of the **East African** region to trade;

6 Aug 2022 Kampala (Uganda) *The EastAfrican*. President **Yoweri Museveni** looks to gain from the **United States** and **Russia** jostling each other for influence in the region, with both countries sending top envoys to **Kampala** within eight days of each other;

5 Aug 2022 Dar es Salaam (Tanzania) *Zawya*. State utility **Tanzania Electric Supply Company** signs a deal with UAE-headquartered **Masdar**, one of the world's leading renewable energy companies, for the development of renewable energy projects with a total capacity of up to 2 gigawatts;

4 Aug 2022 Goma (DRC) *AFP*. United Nations experts say they have uncovered "hard" evidence that the **Rwandan** army has intervened in the eastern **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)** in recent months, both directly and in support of armed groups;

4 Aug 2022 Khartoum (Sudan) *Sudan Tribune*. Sudanese authorities prevent a delegation of political and traditional leaders from crossing into neighbouring **Eritrea** to discuss tribal problems that affected the security situation in the eastern Sudan region;

3 Aug 2022 Djibouti (Djibouti) *Zawya*. Trade minister **Nevine Gamea** says trade exchange between **Djibouti** and **Egypt** grew by 15.7% year-on-year in 2021.