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18 Oct 2022 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Reuters*. **Ethiopian army** says it has captured three towns in the northern region of **Tigray**, one to the northwest and two to the south of the regional capital **Mekelle**;

18 Oct 2022 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. President **William Ruto**'s nominee for finance minister, **Njuguna Ndung'u**, says **Kenya** plans to use cheaper loans from agencies such as the **World Bank** to allow it to retire expensive domestic loans and create funds for much-needed spending on items like food;

18 Oct 2022 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *AA*. **Malagasy** presidency fires foreign minister **Richard Randriamandrato** after he voted in favor of a resolution earlier this month at the **United Nations General Assembly** condemning **Russia's "illegal"** annexation in eastern **Ukraine**;

17 Oct 2022 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Reuters*. **United Nations** backs an immediate end to hostilities in the **Tigray** region and a return to peace talks, calling for all sides to protect civilians and adhere to international law as fighting continues;

17 Oct 2022 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Kampala Sun*. Media groups and rights activists file a court challenge to a controversial new internet law that they protest is aimed at curtailing free speech and quashing dissent;

14 Oct 2022 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *VoA*. Government denies media reports that **Chinese** banks have fined the country \$11m for failing to pay back loans used to finance a major railway;

13 Oct 2022 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Business Daily*. **Kenya's** external debt significantly increases after **China** fines the country 1.3 billion shillings (\$10.8m) for defaulting on loans on a much touted but controversial railway project;

13 Oct 2022 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *MarketWatch*. Multinational telecommunications company **Airtel Africa** acquires additional spectrum from the **Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority** for \$60.1m to support network expansion for both mobile data and fixed wireless home broadband capability;

13 Oct 2022 **Kampala (Uganda)** *The EastAfrican*. President **Yoweri Museveni** appoints **Dick Olum** as commander of the **Ugandan Army's Mountain Brigade** based in the **Rwenzori Mountains**, at the country's western frontier bordering the **DRC**.