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7 Mar 2023 **Asmara (Eritrea)** *Africanews*. The **United Nations** says that the human rights situation in Eritrea remains dire and shows no sign of improvement in the short term, citing cases of torture and enforced disappearances;

7 Mar 2023 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Reuters*. **United Kingdom (UK)** prime minister **Rishi Sunak** and Rwanda's President **Paul Kagame** discuss the **UK-Rwanda** migration partnership and the need to disrupt the activities of smugglers while addressing humanitarian concerns;

7 Mar 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** pledges her support in ensuring that the **5th Assembly** fulfils its mandate of furthering the **East African Community (EAC)** integration agenda in a discussion attended by, among others, foreign affairs and **East African** cooperation minister **Stergomena Tax**;

5 Mar 2023 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. Ethiopia news service **Hiber Radio** reports that **Prosperity Party** officials in **Gurage Zone** were arrested for allegedly denouncing the administrative clustering programme that the ruling party is implementing in the **South Region**;

5 Mar 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** hands over a land ownership deed to **East African Community (EAC)** secretary general **Peter Mathuki** in a gesture of hospitality to the regional bodies based in **Arusha**;

2 Mar 2023 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *The Citizen*. **Kenyan** firms turn to **Tanzania** and other neighbouring countries for **United States** dollars as commercial banks face a shortage with foreign exchange reserves dropping to a near 10-year low, further breaching the critical level of four months' import cover in the wake of huge foreign debt repayments;

1 Mar 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **United States**-based automotive, artificial intelligence and clean energy company **Tesla** signs an agreement in terms of which it will purchase anode active material (AAM) from Tanzania;

1 Mar 2023 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *La Prosperite*. President **Félix Antoine Tshisekedi Tshilombo** takes part in the 52nd session of the **United Nations Human Rights Council** held in **Geneva (Switzerland)**;

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