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11 Apr 2023 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *Agence Burundaise de Presse*. Council of ministers analyses the draft law fixing the general budget for the fiscal year 2023-2024 as part of the continued implementation of public finance management reforms;

11 Apr 2023 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Africanews*. Restrictions on nightlife and meetings are imposed in three major cities in **Amhara** region, including the most populous city **Gondar**, in the wake of protests against the dismantling of regional military forces;

11 Apr 2023 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Reuters*. A local official and a hospital worker report that several people in **Amhara** region were shot during a sixth day of demonstrations against federal government plans to integrate local defence forces into the police and national army;

11 Apr 2023 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Quartz*. Finance minister **Nicholas Kazadi** alleges that mining contracts are skewed in favour of **China** and calls for the tax obligations on these companies to be increased;

11 Apr 2023 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *The East African*. Rebel group **M23** says their peace efforts are being frustrated by the country's government forces 'reoccupying' areas the fighters have surrendered to the **East African Community Regional Forces (EACRF)**;

11 Apr 2023 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Africanews*. President **William Ruto** announces that the country will not acquire loans to pay civil servants, even as union groups threatened to go on strike due to unpaid March salaries;

11 Apr 2023 **Victoria (Seychelles)** *Seychelles News Agency*. President **Wavel Ramkalawan** receives a formal invitation from **United Arab Emirates** president, **Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan** to attend the **2023 United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP28)** in **Dubai** in November 2023;

11 Apr 2023 **Mogadishu (Somalia)** *Vox*. **United Nations** secretary-general **Antonio Guterres** appeals to the international community to give more emergency humanitarian aid to Somalia during his brief visit to Mogadishu;

11 Apr 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** dissolves the **Tanzania Railways Corporation (TRC)** board and dismisses **Tanzania Government Flight Agency (TGFA)** director-general **John Nzulule** in the wake of the **Controller and Auditor General's** report;

10 Apr 2023 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *BBC News Gahuza*. Farmers present a map to the disaster prevention and rescue ministry on all areas that may be affected by heavy rain and floods;

10 Apr 2023 **Khartoum (Sudan)** *Suna*. **West Darfur** state governor, **Khamis Abdullah Abkar**, issues a decision declaring a state of emergency with a curfew from 7pm to 7am for two weeks in all the state's localities in light of the security tensions in **Fora Baranga** locality;

9 Apr 2023 **Djibouti (Djibouti)** *Agence Djiboutienne d'Information*. National communication commission president **Ali Mohamed Dimbio**, submits the report on the legislative elections of

24 February to communication minister in charge of posts and telecommunications, **Radwan Abdillahi Bahdon**;

9 Apr 2023 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Africanews*. **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** indicates Uganda has lost over a million hectares of tree cover, nearly a third of the country's total;

8 Apr 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **Controller and Auditor General's 2021/22 audit report** highlights that pension funds, the **Public Service Social Security Fund** and the **National Social Security Fund**, have invested trillions of shillings in loss-making high-rise buildings due to lack of tenants;

6 Apr 2023 **Dekemhare (Eritrea)** *Tesfanews*. **African Development Bank (AfDB)** board approves a \$50m loan for the construction of a 30MW solar project. The loan comprises \$19.5m from the **African Development Fund** and \$30.42m from the **Transition Support Facility**;

5 Apr 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **World Bank's 2022 GovernmentTech Maturity Index (GTMI)** report shows Tanzania is just one of four **African** countries included in a list of 69 designated as global leaders in public sector digital transformation;

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