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23 May 2023 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *La Prosperité*. Prime minister **Jean-Michel Sama Lukonde** addresses the 99th meeting of the **Council Ministers** and discusses the situation in **Kalehe (South Kivu)** where heavy rains on 4 May claimed the lives of more than 400 people;

23 May 2023 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. The **United States Embassy** in Addis Ababa officially reopens the **Col. John C. Robinson American Corner** on **St. Mary's University** campus in Addis Ababa, which had been closed for in-person programmes and services since the 2020 **Covid-19** lockdown;

22 May 2023 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. The **Ministry of Health** announces that a cholera epidemic in **Southern Region** zones has more affected 919 people, with several fatalities;

22 May 2023 **Victoria (Seychelles)** *Seychelles News Agency*. **Seychelles Fishing Authority** aquaculture department head **Aubrey Lesperance** says aquaculture in Seychelles is becoming a strong sector in the “*blue economy*”, providing investors with necessary information based on their interest in the aquaculture sector;

22 May 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. The **World Bank's** latest rankings on the most efficient ports place Dar es Salaam, **Djibouti** and **Berbera (Somalia)** ports ahead of **Mombasa (Kenya)**, highlighting Kenya's fears that Tanzania has become a preferred route for shippers;

22 May 2023 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Daily Monitor*. A **British** university rejects a Ugandan graduate on grounds that the **National Council for Higher Education** had classified the course in which they qualified as “*expired*”, placing at risk the future of thousands of current students and recent graduates at Ugandan universities;

21 May 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Natural resources and tourism minister **Mohamed Mchengerwa** urges **Chinese** travel agents visiting the country to bring in more Chinese tourists to Tanzania;

18 May 2023 **Khartoum (Sudan)** *Africa News*. The month-long fighting in Sudan has deepened the humanitarian crisis in the country, where one in three people already relied on humanitarian assistance before the war;

18 May 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** reveals that Tanzania is planning to build its own satellite and that negotiations to reach the scientific milestone have already begun;

17 May 2023 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. The **Dar es Salaam Rapid Transit Agency (Dart)** finalises feasibility studies in four cities in a process seeking to reserve project land to reduce the high cost of compensation in future **Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)** projects;

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