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17 Apr 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Ministry of Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation*. President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** leaves for an official visit to **Turkey** from 17 to 21 April, the purpose which is to strengthen bilateral ties and expand trade and economic relations;

16 Apr 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *France24*. **United Nations** says it has secured \$600m in funding towards Ethiopia's "critical" humanitarian crisis;

16 Apr 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Tanzania Meteorological Agency*. The **Tanzania Meteorological Agency (TMA)** issues a five-day weather forecast predicting strong winds, high waves and heavy rainfall across various regions of the country;

16 Apr 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Monitor*. President **Yoweri Museveni** will meet leaders of a group of striking traders on Friday in a bid to resolve their grievances following a week of striking which has spread beyond Kampala;

15 Apr 2024 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *AFP*. A journalist's family reports to the media that Burundi's intelligence service arrested and detained her on Sunday for unknown reasons;

15 Apr 2024 **Asmara (Eritrea)** *APA News*. Government releases a statement noting that the border between Eritrea and **Ethiopia** has been demarcated in line with an **Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission Decision**;

15 Apr 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The citizen*. The **Controller and Auditor General's (CAG)** audit report for the 2022/23 financial year notes that 34 public institutions reported losses or deficits for two consecutive years and that the CAG issued 211 out of 215 entities with unqualified opinions, while four were issued with qualified opinions;

15 Apr 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Daily News*. The **Finnish** ambassador to Tanzania, **Theresa Zitting**, says her government is planning to launch a new four-year TSh 55 billion (\$20m) programme for promoting sustainable forestry in the **East African** country;

14 Apr 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *The East African*. Mining principal secretary **Elijah Mwangi** says the government has deployed the **Mining Police Unit** to tackle illegal mining across the country;

14 Apr 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Monitor*. Foreign affairs ministry confirms **South Africa's** President **Cyril Ramaphosa** will visit Uganda for a two-day visit on 15 April aimed at strengthening bilateral ties;

13 Apr 2024 **Asmara (Eritrea)** *Addis Standard*. Eritrea releases 46 **Ethiopians of Tigrayan** descent who have been detained in prison after being reportedly abducted by Eritrean forces;

12 Apr 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Amnesty International*. **United Kingdom**-headquartered **Amnesty International** calls on **African** and global human rights bodies to "urgently" investigate killings of civilians by the **Ethiopian National Defense Forces (ENDF)** in **Merawi** town (**Amhara** region);

11 Apr 2024 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *Africa Intelligence*. President **Evariste Ndayishimiye** is reportedly facing growing discontent within the ruling **Conseil National Pour la Défense de la Démocratie – Forces pour la Défense de la Démocratie (CNDD–FDD)** for failing to meet campaign promises;

11 Apr 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *The East African*. Kenya proposes a regional maritime treaty in a bid to calm tensions between **Ethiopia** and **Somalia** over the **Somaliland** port deal;

11 Apr 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. The **United Kingdom** suspends its global tariff on cut flowers, making exports to the **British** market cheaper and easier for **East African** countries over the next two years. Tanzania exported flowers worth TSh2.5 billion (\$773,694) in 2023 alone;

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