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24 Apr 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Daily Monitor*. Finance ministry data indicates that gold has reclaimed the number one spot as Uganda's largest export commodity in the 12 months to February, earning a monthly average of \$228.4m;

23 Apr 2024 **Djibouti (Djibouti)** *Africanews*. **International Organization for Migration (IOM)** reports that at least 16 people have died and 28 are missing after a migrant boat capsized off the coast of Djibouti;

23 Apr 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *The Africa Report*. **United Nations** reports that over 50,000 people have been displaced in northern Ethiopia amid escalating violence;

23 Apr 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *New Times*. President **Paul Kagame** and **French** President **Emmanuel Macron** hold a phone call to discuss bilateral relations as well as regional issues, including the conflict in eastern **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)**;

23 Apr 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Guardian*. **World Bank** suspends financing intended to develop tourism in southern Tanzania after noting that it received information suggesting breaches of the project's implementation policies, including forced eviction and other abuses;

22 Apr 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *The East African*. A leaked letter from mines minister **Antoinette N'Samba Kalambayi** to **China's Zijin Mining Group Co Ltd** reveals that mineral shipments originating from the company's **COMMUS** project were returned due to high radiation levels, with the ministry suspending Zijin's licence pending investigation;

22 Apr 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *RFI*. The **United Kingdom (UK)** parliament approves the deportation bill that will see the UK deport asylum seekers to Rwanda, with prime minister **Rishi Sunak** confirming that flights will begin in July;

22 Apr 2024 **Tanga (Tanzania)** *IPP Media*. Tanga port manager **Masoud Mrisha** says major improvements at the port have enabled it to accommodate large ships and increase cargo flow, allowing it to effectively serve the northeastern part of the country and neighbouring **Kenya** and **Uganda** via **Lake Victoria**;

21 Apr 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *The Herald*. The 4th **Zimbabwe-Kenya Joint Permanent Commission on Cooperation** begins ahead of a state visit by President **William Ruto** to **Zimbabwe** on Friday;

21 Apr 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Business Daily*. Uganda and **Kenya** begin exploring cross-cultural tourism to bolster revenue;

20 Apr 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. Embassies of the **G7** member countries based in Addis Ababa – **Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, United Kingdom** and **United States** – express concern over renewed violence in northern Ethiopia, calling for inclusive dialogue among all stakeholders;

20 Apr 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Tanzania and **Zambia** resolve four of 15 trade issues that have hindered trade between the two countries;

19 Apr 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Reuters*. **Belgium's** ambassador to DRC, **Roxane de Bilderling**, says the DRC should file a complaint with the **International Court of Justice (ICJ)** over **Rwanda's** failure to respect its border;

18 Apr 2024 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *AP News*. Interior minister **Martin Niteretse** calls for international aid amid deadly floods that have impacted the port of Bujumbura and disrupted business in the capital and across the country;

18 Apr 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Al Jazeera*. President **William Ruto** says that military chief General **Francis Ogolla** is among ten people killed in a helicopter crash;

18 Apr 2024 **Dodoma (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Prime minister **Kassim Majaliwa** tells parliament that the government is planning to repossess dormant land licensed to foreign investors for mineral surveying or mining and distribute it to small-scale miners;

18 Apr 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Africanews*. President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** arrives in **Turkey** for a five-day state visit, the first by a Tanzanian president to Turkey in 14 years;

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