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17 Jul 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Bloomberg*. Ugandan authorities and the **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** are in talks for a new IMF programme as Uganda's \$1 billion **Extended Credit Facility (ECF)** comes to an end;

16 Jul 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *VOA*. **United States (US)** says it is encouraged by "incremental progress" on peace and reconciliation efforts in Ethiopia, nearly 20 months after the signing of the ceasefire in **Tigray** region;

16 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Reuters*. At least one person is killed in renewed anti-government protests across Kenya;

16 Jul 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Al Jazeera*. Incumbent President **Paul Kagame** wins 99% of the vote in the presidential election, securing a fourth term in office;

15 Jul 2024 **Djibouti (Djibouti)** *Middle East Monitor*. **Egypt** launches direct flights to **Djibouti City** and **Mogadishu (Somalia)** to bolster regional ties;

15 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Reuters*. Treasury confirms government plans to cut spending in the 2024/2025 budget by 1.9% and widen the fiscal deficit to 3.6% of GDP in a revised budget;

15 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Business Daily*. Treasury disclosures indicate Kenya is considering a new **Eurobond** in 2026;

15 Jul 2024 **Harare (Zimbabwe)** *IOL*. **Rwanda** donates 1,000 metric tonnes of grain to Zimbabwe following President **Emmerson Mnangagwa's** appeal for assistance;

14 Jul 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Business Day*. Foreign minister **Therese Kayikwamba Wagner** says **United Nations (UN)** peacekeepers are unlikely to proceed with an agreement to withdraw from **North Kivu** province as long as **Rwandan** soldiers remain there;

14 Jul 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Le Monde*. Local lawmaker **David Bisaka** tells media that clashes between militiamen and soldiers in **Kinsele (Mai-Ndombe Province)** have left 42 people dead;

14 Jul 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *APA News*. **Commercial Bank of Ethiopia (CBE)** announces a record \$25.6m annual profit before tax during the Ethiopian fiscal year ending 7 July;

14 Jul 2024 **Unguja (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Opposition party **ACT Wazalendo** says the ruling party **Chama Cha Mapinduzi (CCM)** lacks the moral authority to preach about safeguarding peace and shows no sincere intentions after **Zanzibar's** President **Hussein Mwinyi** on 12 July urged citizens to remain vigilant, claiming certain opposition statements could lead to unrest as the country approaches general elections;

13 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *RFI*. Police watchdog, the **Independent Police Oversight Authority (IPOA)**, launches an inquiry into possible police involvement after eight mutilated bodies are found dumped in a rubbish tip;

13 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Nation*. Inspector-general of police **Japhet Koome** resigns after facing criticism over the police's reaction to protests last month which left 39 people dead;

11 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Financial Times*. President **William Ruto** dismisses his entire cabinet except for his deputy, **Rigathi Gachagua**, and prime cabinet secretary and foreign affairs cabinet secretary **Musalia Mudavadi**;

13 Jul 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Anadolu Agency*. Campaigning ends ahead of the presidential and legislative elections on Monday;

11 Jul 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Local company **Amsons Group** makes a \$180m bid to acquire **Kenya's Bamburi Cement** in what could be one of the largest takeover deals in **East Africa**;

11 Jul 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Daily News*. Energy ministry permanent secretary **Felchesmi Mramba** says power generation in Tanzania has surpassed increasing demand, mainly due to significant contributions from the partially operational **Julius Nyerere Hydropower Project Plant**;

11 Jul 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *IPP Media*. Energy ministry permanent secretary **Felchesmi Mramba** says the government is satisfied with the implementation speed of the **East African Crude Oil Pipeline (EACOP)** project and that the project is expected to be completed as planned;

11 Jul 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Reuters*. Human rights advocates file an appeal with the supreme court against a ruling by a lower court that upheld the **Anti-Homosexuality Act (AHA)**;

10 Jul 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Addis Standard*. **United States**-headquartered **Human Rights Watch (HRW)** urges international organisations to provide safe evacuation options for Ethiopian and **Eritrean** refugees in eastern **Sudan**;

10 Jul 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Business Insider Africa*. **Ethiopian Coffee and Tea Authority (ECTA)** reports Ethiopia exported 298,500 tonnes of coffee in the 2023/2024 fiscal year that ended in July 2024, worth \$1.43 billion;

10 Jul 2024 **Asmara (Eritrea)** *Garowe*. President **Hassan Sheikh Mohamud** arrives in **Somalia** for a two-day working visit during which he will visit **Somali National Army** recruits;

10 Jul 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *The Africa Report*. Uganda has dismissed claims in a **United Nations (UN)** report that it is supporting **M23** rebels operating in eastern **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)**;

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