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23 Jul 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Al Jazeera*. Two landslides kill at least 229 people in southern Ethiopia;

23 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *AP News*. Police fire tear gas at pro and anti-government protestors who clashed in Nairobi;

23 Jul 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **United States (US)** under secretary of state for political affairs **John Bass** arrives in Tanzania to meet with senior government officials and civil society representatives;

23 Jul 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Mining Weekly*. **Australia's Peak Rare Earths** signs a nonbinding term sheet with **China's Shenghe** to support the development and funding of the **Ngualla** rare earths element;

23 Jul 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Africanews*. Security forces arrest around 60 people who tried to walk to parliament in a demonstration against high-level corruption;

22 Jul 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Medafrica Times*. **African Development Bank (AfDB)** grants a \$260m loan to DRC to help strengthen its agricultural sector;

22 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. **Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC)** spokesperson **Eric Ngumbi** says the EACC is close to completing investigations into high-level bribery allegations, with former transport minister **Michael Kamau** and top roads authority officials heading the list of 18 Kenyans whose names appeared in **Israeli** investigations into contractor **SBI International**;

22 Jul 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Financial Times*. **United Kingdom's** home secretary **Yvette Cooper** says the former government paid Rwanda £290m (\$374.18m) directly as part of the now scrapped migration policy;

22 Jul 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Le Monde*. **National Electoral Commission** confirms that incumbent president **Paul Kagame** won the election with 99.18%;

22 Jul 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Reuters*. Authorities deploy military and police around parliament and the centre of Kampala ahead of planned anti-government protests;

21 Jul 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** announces a cabinet reshuffle, with **Mahmoud Thabit Kombo** replacing **January Makamba** as foreign affairs minister and **Jerry Silaa** replacing **Nape Nnauye** as ICT minister;

21 Jul 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *BBC*. President **Yoweri Museveni** warns anti-corruption protestors against going ahead with a protest on Tuesday, stating they will be “*playing with fire*”;

20 Jul 2024 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *Bloomberg*. Burundians report waiting at fuel stations for three weeks to get fuel as foreign currency shortages continues to impact Burundi's ability to import goods such as fuel;

20 Jul 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. **National Bank of Ethiopia** (central bank) introduces new directives allowing private and public banks to engage in investment in non-banking businesses, with some restrictions;

20 Jul 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **Commission for Human Rights and Good Governance (CHRAGG)** tables a report on investigations into human rights violations and governance for 2022/2023, revealing that police stations exist where suspects are illegally subject to torture and harsh interrogation techniques before legal arrest procedures are initiated;

19 Jul 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *VOANews*. **Uganda's** charge d'affaires, **Matata Twaha Magara**, denies **United Nations** allegations that Uganda is backing **M23** rebels in neighbouring **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)** after DRC deputy foreign minister **Gracia Yamba Kazadi** summoned him over the issue;

19 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. National carrier **Kenya Airways** warns customers to expect delays after a global cyber outage disrupted its booking system;

19 Jul 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Daily News*. **Bank of Tanzania (BoT)** (central bank) says its 2024/2025 monetary policy stance will remain relatively tight to respond to recent exchange rate depreciation and high oil prices;

18 Jul 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Africanews*. **United States (US)** announces a 15-day extension of a humanitarian ceasefire it brokered in eastern DRC;

18 Jul 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Bloomberg*. Ethiopia's official creditors have reportedly granted financing assurances to the country to help push ahead approval of a new **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** programme;

18 Jul 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *BBC*. High court suspends a decision by police to ban protests in Nairobi;

18 Jul 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *France24*. Provisional results indicate incumbent president **Paul Kagame** has won 99.18% of the vote and that the ruling **Rwandan Patriotic Front (RPF)** remains the dominant parliamentary party with 62% of the votes;

17 Jul 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Africa.com*. **National Bank of Ethiopia** (central bank) and **Central Bank of the United Arab Emirates** sign a currency swap agreement worth up to \$817m;

17 Jul 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *VOA*. **United States**-based **Human Rights Watch (HRW)** central **Africa** director **Lewis Mudge** says Rwanda's election was not free or fair and merely a performance for President **Paul Kagame**;

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