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22 Jul 2025 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Reuters*. **Australia**-headquartered **AVZ Minerals** accuses the DRC of breaching an international arbitration order by signing a deal with **United States (US)**-backed **KoBold Metals** to develop part of the contested **Manono** lithium project;

22 Jul 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. Clashes over traditional gold mining in the border areas of the **Gambella** and **Southwest Ethiopia** regions leave more than 10 people dead and over 10 wounded;

22 Jul 2025 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *DW*. Nairobi court charges prominent activist **Boniface Mwangi** with unlawful possession of ammunition and frees him on bond in a case stemming from his alleged role in anti-government protests;

22 Jul 2025 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Some members of the ruling **Chama Cha Mapinduzi (CCM)** party express disagreement with the party leadership, its policies and direction, particularly in anticipation for the 2030 presidential election;

22 Jul 2025 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Monitor*. Opposition **Uganda People's Congress (UPC)** electoral commission disqualifies lawyer and former **Makerere University** guild speaker **Dennis Adim Enap** from challenging incumbent UPC president and **Lira City** member of parliament (MP) **Jimmy Akena** for the party presidency election;

22 Jul 2025 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *The East African*. **International Finance Corporation (IFC)** raises \$17m through Rwanda's second **Umuganda** bond, issued on the **Rwanda Stock Exchange**;

21 Jul 2025 **Asmara (Eritrea)** *Africa News*. President **Isaias Afwerki** warns **Ethiopia** against provoking renewed conflict, citing rising regional tensions and Ethiopia's push for seaport access;

21 Jul 2025 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. Former **Meru** governor **Kawira Mwangaza** takes control of the opposition **Umoja na Maendeleo (UMP)** party and appoints her husband, son and sister to key leadership positions, prompting debate;

21 Jul 2025 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Reuters*. **Australia**-headquartered **BHP** sells its interest in the \$942m **Kabanga** nickel project to its partner **Lifezone Metals** for approximately \$83m;

21 Jul 2025 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Business Insider Africa*. **United States (US)** Department of State adds Rwanda to its travel advisory list with a Level 2 warning due to security risks near its western border with the **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)**, specifically in districts like **Rusizi** and **Rubavu**;

20 Jul 2025 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Al Jazeera*. Representatives of the DRC and the **Rwanda**-backed **M23** rebel group sign a declaration in **Qatar** to end ongoing fighting in eastern DRC;

19 Jul 2025 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Development partners sign a \$55.6m agreement to boost Tanzania's **Health Basket Fund** for the 2025/26 fiscal year, aimed at strengthening the healthcare system;

18 Jul 2025 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *Africa News*. **African Union (AU)** chair, **Angola's** President **João Lourenço**, appoints President **Évariste Ndayishimiye** as the AU's special envoy for the **Sahel**, tasked with promoting dialogue and peace in **Niger, Mali** and **Burkina Faso**, which face jihadist threats and are suspended from the AU due to unconstitutional government changes;

17 Jul 2025 **Gitega (Burundi)** *Burundi Times*. **COMEBU**, a privately owned Burundian company, receives the exclusive legal authorisation to exploit and commercially operate mineral resources in specific areas;

17 Jul 2025 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *APA News*. **African Development Bank** approves \$189.49m for the **Energy Sector Result-Based Financing (RBF II) Programme** which aims to modernise Rwanda's electricity network, expand access to on- and off-grid energy and clean cooking, and strengthen institutional capacity;

17 Jul 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. Government introduces new income tax reforms that increase taxes on low-income earners, including those living at or near the poverty line of about \$2 a day;

17 Jul 2025 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. Police arrest **Naivasha** member of parliament (MP) **Jayne Kihara**, with detectives blocking journalists and the public from accessing her residence;

17 Jul 2025 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Tanzania launches its **Development Vision 2050** in **Dodoma**, with development partners pledging support for its implementation and **United Nations** resident coordinator **Susan Ngongi Namondo** praising the government's inclusive and consultative approach in crafting the long-term plan;

16 Jul 2025 **Asmara (Eritrea)** *Yemen Online*. Eritrea releases 29 **Yemeni** fishermen who were detained for several days after being apprehended in disputed **Red Sea** waters;

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