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10 Sep 2025 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **Bank of Tanzania** (central bank) reassures the public of economic stability amid concerns surrounding the upcoming election season;

9 Sep 2025 **Gitega (Burundi)** *Africa News*. Former foreign minister, **Ézéchiel Nibigira**, is appointed president of the **Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)** for a five-year term, succeeding **Angola's Gilberto Verissimo**;

9 Sep 2025 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *The East African*. President **William Ruto** proposes mediating the **Nile** dam dispute and purchasing electricity from **Ethiopia** following the inauguration of the **Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam** on the Blue Nile;

9 Sep 2025 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Kigali Today*. President **Paul Kagame** receives **Sheikh Abdulla bin Mohammed bin Butti Al Hamed**, head of the **United Arab Emirates' (UAE) National Media Council (NMC)**, to strengthen media cooperation between Rwanda and the **UAE**;

8 Sep 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *APA News*. **Eritrea** accuses Ethiopia of massing troops along their shared border, amid escalating tensions over Ethiopia's pursuit of **Red Sea** access;

8 Sep 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. **Tigray Region** interim administration president **Tadesse Worede** warns of a "visible cloud of war" in Tigray, though he maintains that peace is still possible;

8 Sep 2025 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Outgoing **National Assembly** speaker and **Uyole (Mbeya Region)** parliamentary candidate, **Tulia Ackson**, urges residents of **Rungwe (Mbeya)** to support ruling party **Chama Cha Mapinduzi (CCM)** candidates;

7 Sep 2025 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *All Africa*. The **World Health Organisation (WHO)** delivers 12 tonnes of emergency medical supplies, including personal protective equipment, isolation kits and water and sanitation materials, to support the DRC in responding to its 16th **Ebola** outbreak in **Kasai Province**;

6 Sep 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Garowe Online*. Prime minister **Abiy Ahmed** declares Ethiopia's landlocked status an "existential issue," vowing to "correct" what he termed a historical mistake by reclaiming access to the **Red Sea**;

6 Sep 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. The **Ethiopian Defense Force** inaugurates a new navy headquarters in Addis Ababa and a naval training center in **Debre Zeit**, marking the revival of Ethiopia's navy after more than three decades;

6 Sep 2025 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *X. United Nations (UN) Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights* says **M23** rebels, Congolese armed forces and other armed groups have committed serious rights violations in eastern DRC;

6 Sep 2025 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **Bank of Tanzania** (central bank) **Consolidated Zonal Economic Performance** reports natural gas production has declined as Tanzania increasingly relies on expanding hydropower capacity;

5 Sep 2025 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Al Jazeera*. A **United Nations (UN)** report finds that all parties in eastern DRC conflict, including the **Rwanda**-backed **M23** militia and the Congolese military with affiliated groups, have committed serious abuses since late 2024;

5 Sep 2025 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Al Jazeera*. The **World Health Organisation (WHO)** declares that mpox is no longer an international health emergency due to sustained declines in cases across **Africa**, including the DRC, **Burundi**, **Sierra Leone** and **Uganda**;

4 Sep 2025 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Times Live*. **United States (US)**, **Qatar**, **Togo** and the **African Union (AU)** attend the second joint oversight committee meeting for the **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)**-Rwanda peace agreement, noting delays in implementing some aspects of the deal;

4 Sep 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. **National Bank of Ethiopia** (central bank) governor **Mamo Mihretu** resigns after more than a year overseeing major macroeconomic reforms, including the introduction of a market-based exchange rate;

4 Sep 2025 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **Bank of Tanzania** (central bank) highlights that Tanzania's charcoal trade is expanding despite government and international efforts to promote clean energy, driven by rapid population increase and the high cost of alternatives such as gas and electricity;

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