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13 May 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *The New Times*. Finance minister **Yusuf Murangwa** is appointed as the new **East African Development Bank (EADB)** governing council chairperson;

12 May 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *La Prosperite*. **China** donates a batch of medicines and medical equipment, valued at over 144m CDF (\$51,000), to the **DRC Sino-Congolese Friendship Hospital** in Kinshasa as part of its ongoing medical support to the country;

12 May 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Al Jazeera*., **France's** President **Emmanuel Macron** announces a \$27 billion investment package focused on energy transition, agriculture and artificial intelligence during the **Africa Forward Summit** in Nairobi:

12 May 2026 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Tanzania and **Kenya** are intensifying their competition to become the primary hub for oil refining in **East Africa** as regional energy demands shift, highlighting a broader push for infrastructure dominance within the **East African Community (EAC)**;

12 May 2026 **Kampala (Uganda)** *BBC*. President **Yoweri Museveni** is sworn in for a record seventh consecutive term in Uganda following the disputed January election victory marred by allegations of fraud and a security crackdown;

11 May 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** director **Kristalina Georgieva** praises Ethiopia's "impressive progress" on its ambitious economic reform programme during a meeting with prime minister **Abiy Ahmed**;

11 May 2026 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. The **Dar es Salaam Stock Exchange (DSE)** partners with fintech platform **Mixx** to digitise stock trading, a move that has already helped drive digital investment uptake to TSh 7 billion (\$2.67m);

11 May 2026 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Monitor*. The **Bank of Uganda** (central bank) reports that diaspora remittances reached \$2.5 billion in 2025, with the **United States (US)** and **Saudi Arabia** emerging as the primary sources of these financial inflows;

11 May 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Reuters*. Kenya hosts the **France-organised Africa Forward Summit**, attended by France's President **Emmanuel Macron** and 30 **African** leaders;

11 May 2026 **Ambatoroka (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. **German** ambassador **Oliver Knoerich** and local economic experts meet to discuss obstacles hindering German-Malagasy trade, citing systemic corruption and complex **European** standards as primary barriers;

10 May 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Al Jazeera*. **Cooperative for the Development of the Congo (CODECO)** coalition of militia groups kills at least 69 people in **Ituri Province** following a series of retaliatory attacks against the **Hema** community;

10 May 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. The **Consumers Federation of Kenya** sues **Swiss** firm **SICPA** for allegedly using fuel markers containing chemicals that are harmful to the environment;

9 May 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *AP News*. The **Congo River Alliance**, which includes Rwanda-backed **M23**, accuses the **United States (US)** of failing as a neutral mediator in the conflict in eastern **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)**;

8 May 2026 **Gitega (Burundi)** *Africa News*. **Commission Electorale Nationale Indépendante** (election commission) schedules the next presidential election for 3 May 2027, with incumbent President **Evariste Ndayishimiye** currently positioned as the one in favour to win;

8 May 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Africa Confidential*. **Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF)** escalates tensions with the federal government by restoring a rival regional council and rejecting prime minister **Abiy Ahmed**'s extension of the interim leadership's term;

7 May 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *BBC*. President **Félix Tshisekedi** indicates he may seek a third term through a referendum if supported by the public, despite current constitutional limits;

7 May 2026 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. **Dubai (United Arab Emirates)**-based **Emirates** announces the resumption of flights to Antananarivo as part of a broader return to 96% of its global network following significant disruptions caused by **Middle East** tensions and airspace restrictions;

6 May 2026 **Asmara (Eritrea)** *Semafor*. The **United States (US)** is moving to restore ties with Eritrea to secure strategic **Red Sea** shipping routes as global energy corridors face disruption from an ongoing **US-Iran** conflict;

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