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9 Jun 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Kigali Today*. A high-level delegation from **Somalia's** internal security ministry and the **Somali National University** visita Rwanda to study unity and reconciliation pathways, and establish an educational partnership with the **Center for Conflict Management** at the **University of Rwanda** to develop peace studies and strengthen post-conflict state-building;

9 Jun 2026 **Gitega (Burundi)** *Breaking Burundi*. **National Patriotism Day** exposes sharp political rifts, with opposition parties and civil society groups accusing the ruling **Conseil National Pour la Défense de la Démocratie–Forces Pour la Défense de la Démocratie (CNDD–FDD)** of equating patriotism with partisan loyalty amid widespread corruption;

9 Jun 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *La Prosperite*. Prime minister **Judith Suminwa Tuluka** meets with **United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)** Burundi representative **Brigitte Mukanga** to discuss the voluntary repatriation of over 100,000 Congolese refugees;

9 Jun 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Monitor*. The **United States (US)** urges **Europe** to implement **Ebola**-related travel bans ahead of the upcoming **FIFA World Cup**, though the **European Union (EU)** has not yet responded to the request;

9 Jun 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. The federal government has allegedly launched two drone strikes against **Tigray Defense Force (TDF)** positions within three days, with the most recent attack occurring in the **Shererina** locality;

9 Jun 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Business Daily*. **Central Bank of Kenya** leaves its benchmark lending rate unchanged at 8.75% for a second consecutive meeting, citing uncertainty caused by the **Iran** conflict and the risk that higher global oil prices could fuel inflation and undermine Kenya's economic recovery;

9 Jun 2026 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. Madagascar is on the verge of signing a hydrocarbon supply agreement with **Nigeria** to diversify its fuel sources and mitigate disruptions caused by the **Middle East** conflict;

9 Jun 2026 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** hosts **Singapore's** President **Tharman Shanmugaratnam**, signing a series of agreements aimed at deepening economic ties, boosting trade and driving investment growth;

8 Jun 2026 **Cairo (Egypt)** *Daily News Egypt*. President **Abdel Fattah el-Sisi** and **Eritrean** President **Isaias Afwerki** meet in Cairo to discuss bilateral cooperation, regional developments in the **Horn of Africa**, the conflict in **Sudan** and **Red Sea** security;

8 Jun 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Le Monde*. Former physician **Eugène Rwamucyo**, who was previously sentenced to 27 years in prison for complicity in the 1994 Rwandan genocide, return to a France criminal court for an appeal trial that will begin on 9 June;

8 Jun 2026 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. Following his political working visit to **Gabon**, transitional president **Michaël Randrianirina** arrives in **Nigeria** for an official visit with President **Bola Tinubu**;

8 Jun 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *IMF*. The **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** executive board approves a 38-month **Extended Credit Facility (ECF)** arrangement for Rwanda worth approximately \$250m, authorising an immediate disbursement of \$35.7m;

8 Jun 2026 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Foreign affairs ministry's director of economic diplomacy, **John Ulanga**, says Tanzania is targeting a \$2 billion boost in **Russian** investment following a recent official visit by President **Samia Suluhu Hassan**;

6 Jun 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *La Prosperite*. The DRC, **Burundi** and the **Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)** finalise an operational roadmap to facilitate the dignified, voluntary repatriation and sustainable reintegration of refugees between the two neighbouring countries;

6 Jun 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. The prime minister's office frames the recent killing of Orthodox Christians in **Arsi (Oromia Region)** as an election-disruption tactic by rebels and foreign powers;

6 Jun 2026 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. Madagascar and **France** sign two agreements to strengthen their defence partnership through joint training, maritime security cooperation and the development of an intelligence drone programme to combat rural banditry;

4 Jun 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. Despite protests, court orders and opposition leaders and civil society's heavy criticism regarding secrecy and a power imbalance, **United States (US)** experts arrive at a US-backed **Ebola** facility in Kenya, while lawmakers face pressure to reconsider the agreement;

4 Jun 2026 **Djibouti (Djibouti)** *Gulf News*. **Saudi Arabia**'s ports authority launches a new shipping service linking **Jeddah Islamic Port** (Saudi Arabia) with **Mundra Port (India)** and the **Port of Djibouti**, improving trade flows across the **Red Sea**;

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