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30 Jun 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Kigali Today*. Rwanda and the **Russian** state nuclear corporation, **Rosatom**, sign a memorandum of understanding to develop a nuclear energy project utilising Small Modular Reactors (SMRs), aiming to integrate nuclear power into Rwanda's energy mix by the early 2030s to achieve electricity self-sufficiency;

30 Jun 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *The Africa Report*. DRC takes over the **United Nations (UN) Security Council** presidency from 1 July, planning to use the platform to press for the withdrawal of **Rwandan** forces from eastern DRC;

30 Jun 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. International human rights and legal organisations formally request the **International Criminal Court (ICC)** to investigate senior officials from several countries, including Ethiopia and the **United Arab Emirates (UAE)**, for alleged complicity in **Sudan's** war;

30 Jun 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Kigali Today*. Government announces it will launch a new programme in August to import petroleum products through a government-to-government agreement with **Oman's OQ Trading**, aiming to lower domestic fuel prices and enhance energy security by reducing reliance on private trading companies in **Kenya** and **Tanzania**;

30 Jun 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. **World Bank** approves a \$750m budget support loan for Kenya and a sustainability-linked facility that will reduce the country's reliance on expensive domestic debt and bolster economic reforms;

30 Jun 2026 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. The military-led government rejects a **Southern African Development Community (SADC)** communication calling for the release of political prisoners and the return of political exiles;

30 Jun 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Kigali Today*. During recent talks with the **United Nations (UN) Human Rights** representative for **Burundi**, Rwanda calls on Burundi to halt its direct military involvement in the ongoing conflict in the **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)**;

29 Jun 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. The **European Union (EU)** delegation to Ethiopia condemns the **Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF)** for breaching articles of the Pretoria peace agreement signed in November 2022 by establishing a parallel regional council and enforcing compulsory military conscription;

29 Jun 2026 **Kampala (Uganda)** *BBC*. Army chief General **Muhoozi Kainerugaba** orders the shutdown of Uganda's leading independent media outlets, including the **Daily Monitor** and **NTV**;

27 Jun 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *BBC*. The DRC files a case against **Rwanda** at the **International Court of Justice**, accusing Rwanda of backing armed groups and deploying forces for unlawful military operations in eastern DRC;

27 Jun 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. **United States (US)** ambassador to Ethiopia **Ervin Massinga** cancels a planned trip to the **Tigray Region**, where he was expected to meet with rival political figures amid rising local tensions, a week after the US sanctioned various Tigrayan leaders;

27 Jun 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Al Jazeera*. **Amnesty International Kenya** reports six activists who went missing after police arrested them during a memorial gathering have been found “*dumped*” in various parts of Nairobi, with the activists alleging they were severely beaten and tortured while in police custody;

25 Jun 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Daily Nation*. The DRC implements stricter travel regulations following confirmation that an **Ebola** case from the country has reached **France**;

25 Jun 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. **Ethiopian National Defense Force** claims to have killed 230 **Fano** rebel fighters, including several top logistical and operational leaders, during an operation in the **Amhara Region**;

25 Jun 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Al Jazeera*. Police deploy tear gas, set up roadblocks and arrest more than 350 people during demonstrations marking the second anniversary of the deadly 2024 anti-finance bill protests;

25 Jun 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Monitor*. **United States (US)** imposes sanctions on **Gasabo Gold Refinery** and three other Rwandan mining companies, accusing them of laundering and smuggling minerals out of the **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)** and supporting **M23** rebels;

25 Jun 2026 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Monitor*. Uganda and **Tanzania** are set to begin construction on a 298km transmission line that will link the two countries and strengthen regional electricity trade;

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