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4 Aug 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *La Prosperite*. Mining companies operating in the DRC agree to implement legal provisions requiring greater participation of Congolese citizens in their share capital, following discussions with the mines ministry and the Chamber of Mines;

4 Aug 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Kigali Today*. Senate urges the trade and industry ministry to accelerate the repossession of industrial land from investors who have failed to meet contractual obligations, arguing that many plots remain idle and are being held for speculation;

4 Aug 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. Ethiopian authorities arrest two senior members of the opposition **Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Party (EPRP)** and prominent lawyer, **Abera Nigus**, in what critics describe as a renewed crackdown on political dissent amid escalating conflict in northern Ethiopia and the **Amhara Region**;

4 Aug 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. The **International Criminal Police Organisation (INTERPOL) African Cyberthreat Assessment Report 2026** ranks Kenya as the second-most vulnerable country in Africa to cyberattacks, highlighting the country's growing cybersecurity risks;

4 Aug 2026 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **Uganda's** President **Yoweri Museveni** arrives in Tanzania for his second visit of 2026, underscoring the strengthening of bilateral relations between the two neighbouring countries;

4 Aug 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Kigali Today*. The **Parliamentary Public Accounts Committee (PAC)** calls on the justice ministry to refer multiple cases of suspected financial mismanagement to prosecutors, with the largest involving more than RWF 5 billion (\$3.5m) in unaccounted or improperly spent funds at the **Rwanda Social Security Board (RSSB)**;

3 Aug 2026 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. **United States**-headquartered **S&P Global Ratings** reaffirms Madagascar's B- sovereign credit rating, citing a stabilising economy with GDP growth projected at 3.1% in 2026 and around 4% from 2027–2029, supported by reconstruction, agriculture, mining and continued international backing;

3 Aug 2026 **Arusha (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. The **East African Business Council (EABC)** and the **East African Community (EAC)** meet to discuss strengthening cooperation aimed at reducing trade barriers and improving the regional business environment;

3 Aug 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. Opposition party **Orange Democratic Movement (ODM)** coalesces around cooperatives cabinet secretary **Wycliffe Oparanya** as its preferred candidate for deputy president alongside President **William Ruto** in the 2027 general elections;

2 Aug 2026 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. At the inauguration of the President **Julius Nyerere National Referral Hospital** in **Angola**, President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** calls on **African** countries to reduce their dependence on overseas medical treatment by investing in high-quality healthcare systems on the continent;

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1 Aug 2026 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. Government invites **Egyptian** companies to invest in large-scale, long-term infrastructure and development projects, with President **Michaël Randrianirina** emphasising technology transfer, local partnerships and sustainable investment while acknowledging challenges such as weak infrastructure, energy shortages and bureaucratic hurdles;

30 Jul 2026 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. **Morocco** reaffirms its commitment to supporting Madagascar's development priorities through expanded cooperation in sectors including education, health, vocational training and social programmes;

30 Jul 2026 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Following a meeting with political parties, President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** announces the revival of Tanzania's constitutional reform process;

30 Jul 2026 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Monitor*. Opposition figure **Kizza Besigye**'s wife confirms that Besigye, who collapsed while in court facing charges of treason, is unconscious and has been admitted to an intensive care unit;

30 Jul 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Reuters*. The **Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC)** says the **Forces démocratiques de libération du Rwanda (FDLR)**, a Rwandan Hutu rebel group, had signed a protocol committing to disarmament and demobilisation under the **United States (US)**-brokered peace agreement between DRC and Rwanda;

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