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21 Aug 2024 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *France24*. **United Kingdom (UK)**-headquartered **Amnesty International** says in a new report that President **Évariste Ndayishimiye** continues to rule with a “*wave of repression*”, which has ended hopes of meaningful change with his government;

20 Aug 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Maritime Executive*. **United Kingdom (UK)** development finance institution **British International Investment (BII)** confirms it will take a \$35m stake in **United Arab Emirates (UAE)**-based **DP World**'s new container port in DRC;

20 Aug 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Africanews*. **Kenya Airways** reports an after-tax profit of \$4m for January to June, its first half-year profit in over a decade;

20 Aug 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *News24*. Foreign affairs ministry says foreign diplomatic missions are included in a ban on the importation of petrol and diesel vehicles;

20 Aug 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *The East African*. Ambassador **Henriette Geiger**, head of the **European Union (EU)** delegation in **Kenya**, says Rwanda has expressed interest in joining Kenya's **Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA)** with the EU which offers Kenya duty-free access to 27 countries in the EU;

19 Aug 2024 **Luanda (Angola)** *Jornal de Angola*. Angola will host another ministerial meeting between the **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)** and **Rwanda** to discuss President **João Lourenço**'s peace agreement proposal;

19 Aug 2024 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *Bloomberg*. **World Health Organisation (WHO)** says Burundi has reported 100 cases of **mpox** caused by a fast-spreading subvariant;

19 Aug 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Reuters*. Health ministry says it is hoping to receive its first doses of an mpox vaccine by next week;

19 Aug 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *CNBC Africa*. Finance minister **John Madi** says government plans to reintroduce to parliament tax measures contained in the proposed **Finance Bill 2024** to raise extra revenue;

19 Aug 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Data from the **Tanzania Investment Centre (TIC)** show that it has registered 409 investment projects between January and June worth \$3.09 billion, including 385 new ventures and 24 others flagged for expansion.

18 Aug 2024 **Harare (Zimbabwe)** *The Citizen*. **Tanzania**'s President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** is elected chairperson of the organ on politics, defence and security at the 44th **Southern African Development Community (SADC)** summit of heads of state and governments in Harare;

17 Aug 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *SABC News*. Government announces that local elections will take place on 27 November;

16 Aug 2024 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *Anadolu Agency*. President **Évariste Ndayishimiye** pardons journalist **Floriane Irangabiye** from a ten-year prison sentence for charges including endangering the state, charges that **United Kingdom (UK)**-headquartered **Amnesty International** described as “a violation of her right to freedom of expression”;

16 Aug 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Daily News*. **Uganda** has begun importing petroleum products through **Dar es Salaam** Port, marking a significant shift in its fuel supply strategy, in response to new restrictions imposed by **Kenya** on the volume of fuel that Uganda can import through the **Kenya Pipeline Company (KPC)**;

14 Aug 2024 **Amhara (Ethiopia)** *VOA*. **United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs** confirms an unidentified criminal group operating in **Dawunt Woreda** (Amhara Region) kidnapped for ransom and later killed a humanitarian worker;

14 Aug 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *AFP*. **Rwanda Atomic Energy Board (RAEB)** says it has signed an agreement with **United States**-based **Nano Nuclear Energy** to further develop nuclear energy in the country;

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