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28 Aug 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **World Health Organisation (WHO)** nominates Tanzania's former health minister, Dr **Faustine Ndugulile**, to serve as WHO Africa regional director;

27 Aug 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Al Jazeera*. Mpox response team lead **Cris Kacita** confirms DRC no longer expects to receive its first delivery of vaccines this week as there are still several processes to follow;

27 Aug 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *CH-Aviation*. **Kenya Airways** CEO **Allan Kilavuka** says the national carrier is seeking to recover more than \$11.6m being withheld in **Ethiopia** due to foreign exchange restrictions in Ethiopia;

27 Aug 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** travels to **Nairobi (Kenya)** today to join her Kenyan counterpart, **William Ruto**, in supporting Kenyan opposition leader **Raila Odinga's** campaign for the **African Union (AU) Commission** chairmanship;

26 Aug 2024 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Addis Insight*. **Ethiopian Electric Power** CEO **Ashebir Balcha** confirms that Ethiopia will begin electricity exports to **Tanzania** in September;

26 Aug 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *S&P*. **United States**-headquartered credit rating agency **S&P** downgrades Kenya's credit rating from B- to B citing a weaker fiscal and debt trajectory;

26 Aug 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *AFP*. Police say the Kenya-led security force deployed in **Haiti** has made significant progress in dealing with gang violence in the country;

26 Aug 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *China Global South Project*. Police arrest 21 people protesting the **East African Crude Oil Pipeline Project (EACOP)**;

25 Aug 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Channel Africa*. **M23** rebel group spokesperson **Willy Ngoma** says armed forces attacked several rebel positions around **Kirumba (North Kivu Province)** and that fighting continues;

24 Aug 2024 **Djibouti (Djibouti)** *Daily News Egypt*. **Egypt** and Djibouti discuss ways to strengthen cooperation in the electricity and renewable energy sectors;

24 Aug 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Garowe*. A **Kenya Defence Forces (KDF)** contingent under the **Quick Reaction Force** leaves for **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)** to join the **United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the DRC (MONUSCO)**;

23 Aug 2024 **Asmara (Eritrea)** *Anadolu Agency*. **Human Rights Concern Eritrea (HRCE)** confirms finance minister **Berhance Abrehe** died in jail after six years of imprisonment, with HRCE stating his death raises concerns about the treatment of political prisoners;

23 Aug 2024 **Asmara (Eritrea)** *Anadolu Agency*. Authorities release 31 **Yemeni** fishermen after holding them for three days in detention;

23 Aug 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *New Times*. Rwanda extends its agreement with the **Africa Union Commission (AUC)** and the **United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)** to host asylum seekers from **Libya** until 2025;

23 Aug 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. Minerals minister **Antony Mavunde** says Tanzania is working on a plan to become **Africa's** largest graphite producer and currently stands in third place behind **Madagascar** and **Mozambique**;

22 Aug 2024 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *AFP*. Health ministry confirms Burundi has registered 171 cases of mpox of which 137 are still active;

22 Aug 2024 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Daily Maverick*. The first **United States (US)** shipment of copper from mines in DRC via the **Lobito Atlantic Railway** has been loaded;

21 Aug 2024 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *BBC*. Police say they have charged five police officers after suspected serial killer **Collins Jumaisi Khalusha** escaped from custody;

21 Aug 2024 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *CNBC Africa*. **National Bank of Rwanda** (central bank) lowers its key interest rate by 50 basis points to 6.5%, saying inflation is expected to remain within its target band of between 2% and 8%;

21 Aug 2024 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *The Citizen*. **United States Agency for International Development (USAID)** confirms it will invest \$8.3m in several Tanzanian companies to boost trade, improve food security and strengthen Tanzania's export competitiveness;

21 Aug 2024 **Arusha (Tanzania)** *East African Community*. **East African Community (EAC)** secretary general **Veronica Mueni Nduva** says plans for a single regional currency have been delayed until 2031;

21 Aug 2024 **Kampala (Uganda)** *The Africa Report*. **Uganda People's Defence Force** says it has destroyed camps belonging to extremist organisation the **Lord's Resistance Army (LRA)**, in **Central African Republic (CAR)**;

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