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17 Jun 2025 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Al Jazeera*. The **African Union (AU) Peace and Security Council (PSC)** and the **United Nations Panel of Experts on the DRC** raise concerns about **Uganda's** expanding military presence in eastern DRC and possible ulterior motives beyond combating the **ADF** rebel group;

17 Jun 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. Ambassador **Binalf Andualem** holds his first official meeting with **United States** president **Donald Trump** at the **White House**, marking the beginning of his diplomatic tenure;

17 Jun 2025 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. President **William Ruto's** loyalists in **Mt Kenya** express concern ahead of the 2027 elections, amid fears of rebellion, political tensions and protests in other parts of Kenya;

17 Jun 2025 **Djibouti (Djibouti)** *The Independent*. The **United States (US)** administration issues an ultimatum to 36 countries—25 of them in **Africa**, including Djibouti—to improve travel vetting systems or risk being added to the US travel ban list;

17 Jun 2025 **Gitega (Burundi)** *Burundi Times*. The **World Bank** reports that foreign direct investment (FDI) into **East African** countries, including Burundi, has fallen to its lowest level in nearly two decades;

16 Jun 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. The **United States (US)** government is reportedly planning to impose visa bans on 36 additional countries, including Ethiopia, **Tanzania** and **Uganda** as part of an expanded immigration and national security effort;

16 Jun 2025 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. Economy and finance minister **Rindra Hasimbelo Rabarinirinarison** reports that Madagascar is reforming its state treasury management by adopting a new law to centralise cash management into a single common Treasury fund;

12 Jun 2025 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Mining Review*. **DRC Mining Week 2025** continues in Kinshasa, aimed at promoting DRC as a global mining leader;

12 Jun 2025 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. Prime minister **Abiy Ahmed** alleges that 60% of the country's instability is fuelled by wealthy individuals supporting armed groups but does not provide evidence to substantiate this claim;

12 Jun 2025 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Daily Nation*. Kenyans continue protesting against the death of **Albert Ojwang** in police custody, resulting in the destruction of properties in Nairobi's **Central Business District**, reflecting growing public anger over the incident;

12 Jun 2025 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Club of Mozambique*. Finance and economic planning ministry reports the budget details for the 2025/26 fiscal year, highlighting that Rwanda plans to increase its fiscal spending by 21% to RWF 7 trillion (\$5 billion) in the next year;

12 Jun 2025 **Dar es Salaam (Tanzania)** *Daily News*. Finance minister **Mwigulu Nchemba** proposes a TSh 56.49 trillion (\$22.03 billion) budget for the 2025/26 fiscal year, with TSh 40.47 trillion (\$15.78 billion) expected from domestic revenue and the rest from foreign grants and loans;

12 Jun 2025 **Kampala (Uganda)** *Monitor*. Finance minister **Matia Kasaija** presents the 2025/26 national budget, totalling US\$72.3 trillion (\$19.3 billion), amid concerns about the country's rising debt burden;

12 Jun 2025 **Djibouti (Djibouti)** *Al Jazeera*. **International Organization for Migration** reports that eight refugees and migrants died and 22 went missing after smugglers forced them off a boat near Djibouti, making them swim to shore;

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