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29 Sep 2026 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *AP News*. Presidency spokesperson **Nancy Ninette Mutoni** says Burundi will accept migrant deportees from the **United States (US)** but does not provide any details;

29 Sep 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Channel Africa*. **Authority for the Regulation of Subcontracting in the Private Sector (ARSP)** director general **Beleshayi Kasanda Ted** says the DRC will subject major mining companies to annual audits of subcontracting practices and compliance with local-content requirements from 2027, as authorities step up efforts to increase business for Congolese-owned firms;

29 Sep 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Africanews*. Pro-government forces in Ethiopia say they have taken control of the town of **Alamata** in southern **Tigray** after days of clashes with rebel forces across multiple fronts;

29 Sep 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Bloomberg*. **Nigerian** billionaire **Aliko Dangote**, who is raising funds in **Africa's** largest initial public offering for his Nigerian refinery, plans to have shares in a similar facility he's building in Kenya trade on the **Nairobi Stock Exchange**;

29 Sep 2026 **Lamu (Kenya)** *Bloomberg*. A court orders construction to be paused on **Nigeria**-headquartered **Dangote Group's** oil refinery pending a hearing in October with 133 petitioners, including farmers and locals, claiming they will be deprived of their property rights if the refinery is allowed to proceed;

28 Sep 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Reuters*. The ruling **Union pour la Démocratie et le Progrès Social (UDPS)** confirms that a senior party member was beaten to death by residents of his neighbourhood after taking part in a radio programme to raise awareness about the **Ebola** outbreak;

28 Sep 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Reuters*. Government data shows that the number of confirmed **Ebola** cases in the DRC has risen above 8,000 for the first time in the country's ongoing outbreak, with 3,901 deaths;

28 Sep 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *France24*. Ethiopia's army chief **Birhanu Julia** accuses **Eritrea** and **Sudan** of backing armed groups fighting federal troops;

27 Sep 2026 **Nairobi (Kenya)** *Business Insider Africa*. Kenyan and **United States (US)** forces conducted their first joint defence exercise across the entire **Manda Bay** military installation, testing how personnel from both countries would respond to threats against a base central to their security cooperation in **East Africa**;

26 Sep 2026 **Bujumbura (Burundi)** *Channel Africa*. **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** urges Burundi to improve its banking data, statistical controls and financial supervision as the country prepares to implement more advanced international accounting standards;

25 Sep 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Bloomberg*. Flights are suspended and internet services disrupted across parts of northern Ethiopia as fighting spreads, with government reporting it has killed 272 rebels, raising fears of a return to the brutal civil war that ended in 2022;

23 Sep 2026 **Djibouti (Djibouti)** *Reuters*. Ethiopia, Djibouti and **Nigeria**-headquartered **Dangote Group** announce plans to build a petroleum pipeline that will connect Ethiopia and Djibouti, as well as two storage facilities;

24 Sep 2026 **Kinshasa (DRC)** *Reuters*. The **United States (US)** pledges an additional \$267m to support efforts to contain the **Ebola** outbreak in **Central Africa**, bringing total commitment to \$886m;

24 Sep 2026 **Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)** *Borkena*. Fighting escalates between federal forces and **Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF)** forces along the **Tigray-Afar** border, with TPLF forces reportedly taking control of **Mekelle's Alula Aba Nega International Airport** and abducting federal police personnel;

24 Sep 2026 **Antananarivo (Madagascar)** *L'Express*. **Russia** and Madagascar strengthen educational cooperation through a new agreement between the **Russian House** in Madagascar and **Saint Petersburg State University (SPbGU)**;

24 Sep 2026 **Kigali (Rwanda)** *Bloomberg*. **Bank of Kigali** becomes the first financial institution, as well as the first headquartered in **East** and **Central Africa**, to connect to **China's** principal cross-border payment network, **CIPS**, as a direct participant;

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