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4 Sept 2017 (Mali) RFI. **The United Nations Security Council will vote on the possible imposition of sanctions on groups that disrespect the 2015 peace accord;**

4 Sept 2017 (Kenya) Daily Nation. **Electricity prices reach a six-year high of KSh3,944 (\$38.2) for households consuming over 200 kilowatt hours;**

4 Sept 2017 Bujumbura (Burundi) AP. **A United Nations Commission of Inquiry finds that crimes against humanity have been committed in Burundi since April 2015, including killings, torture, enforced disappearances and arbitrary arrests;**

3 Sept 2017 (South Africa) Business Day. **CEO of United Kingdom-based public relations firm Bell Pottinger, James Henderson, resigns ahead of the publication of a Herbert Smith Freehills report on the company's dealings with Gupta family-owned Oakbay Investments;**

3 Sept 2017 Libreville (Gabon) AFP. **Spokesperson for the interior ministry, Jean-Eric Nziengui Mangala, announces that security forces have prevented the exit of opposition leader Jean Ping and other opposition members from the country due to alleged disturbance of the peace;**

3 Sept 2017 Luanda (Angola) Agência Lusa. **Opposition parties – UNITA, CASA-CE, PRS and the FNLA – call for a recount of general election votes, deeming the result “irregular” and “unconstitutional”;**

2 Sept 2017 Kinshasa (DRC) Bloomberg. **The opposition Rassemblement coalition criticises the Commission Electorale Nationale Indépendante (electoral commission) for alleged fraud in the building of the electoral register;**

1 Sept 2017 Nairobi (Kenya) Reuters. **Opposition National Super Alliance leader Raila Odinga calls for the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission's board to resign;**

1 Sept 2017 Tripoli (Libya) Libya Herald. **Presidency Council head, Fayeze al-Sarraj appoints Major-General Abdulrahman Al-Tawil chief of staff of the Libyan army;**

1 Sept 2017 Nairobi (Kenya) Daily Nation. **The Supreme Court orders that presidential elections are rescheduled to take place within 60 days;**

1 Sept 2017 Nairobi (Kenya) Daily Nation. **The Supreme Court nullifies the re-election of President Uhuru Kenyatta, after finding that the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission failed to conduct presidential elections according to the Constitution and the 2011 Elections Act;**

1 Sept 2017 (Burkina Faso, Namibia) Mining Weekly. **Glencore Plc sells its 80% and 39% respective stakes in the Namibian Rosh Pinah and Gergarub mines, and its 90% stake in the Burkina Faso Perkoa mine, to Canada-based Trevali Mining Corp for \$417.8m;**

31 Aug 2017 (Côte d'Ivoire) RFI. **President Alassane Ouattara meets with French President Emmanuel Macron at the Elysée palace in Paris;**

31 Aug 2017 Johannesburg (South Africa) BBC. **In an exclusive interview, son of President Jacob Zuma, Duduzane Zuma, denies there is anything untoward about his relationship with the Gupta family;**

31 Aug 2017 Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) Reuters. Somali **authorities hand over** Ogaden National Liberation Front **executive committee member** Abdikarin Sheikh Muse **to the Ethiopian government**;

31 Aug 2017 Johannesburg (South Africa) Bloomberg. **Six gold miners** – Anglo American Plc, Sibanye Gold Ltd, Harmony Gold Mining Co Ltd, AngloGold Ashanti Ltd, Gold Fields Ltd **and** African Rainbow Minerals Ltd – **are close to agreeing to pay \$390m to settle a class-action lawsuit from mine workers that contracted lung disease**;

31 Aug 2017 (Nigeria) BBC. United Kingdom (UK) International Development **secretary** Priti Patel **says that the UK government will halve humanitarian aid to Nigeria over the next four years, to £50m (\$64.4m) per year**;

31 Aug 2017 Lomé (Togo) RFI. **The Tribunal de Première Instance de Lomé (court of first instance) sentences opposition** Parti National Panafrican **secretary general**, Dr Kossi Sama, **to 18 months in prison, with a nine-month suspension**;

30 Aug 2017 Johannesburg (South Africa) The Citizen. **Finance minister** Malusi Gigaba **tells the executive committee of the** Congress of South African Trade Unions **that the government cannot rule out using funds from the Public Investment Corporation (PIC) to bail out** South African Airways;

30 Aug 2017 (Ethiopia, Nigeria) East African. **State-owned** Ethiopian Airlines **confirms it is negotiating with the Nigerian government to secure a management contract of Nigerian state-owned** Arik Air;

30 Aug 2017 Algiers (Algeria) El Watan. **Energy minister** Mustapha Guitouni **appoints** Mohamed Arkab **CEO of state-owned** Société Nationale de l'Électricité et du Gaz;

30 Aug 2017 Accra (Ghana) Press Release. **The** International Monetary Fund **completes its fourth review under the \$918m extended credit facility, disbursing \$94.2m, and extending the programme by one year**;

30 Aug 2017 (Nigeria) Bloomberg. **The** United States Securities and Exchange Commission **and** Department of Justice **begin investigating** China-based China Petroleum & Chemical Corp **over allegations that outside lawyers funnelled illicit payments totalling \$100m to Nigerian officials through** Addax Petroleum Corp;

30 Aug 2017 Kigali (Rwanda) AFP. **President** Paul Kagame **names** Édouard Ngirente **prime minister**;

30 Aug 2017 Abuja (Nigeria) Reuters. **President** Muhammadu Buhari **chairs his first cabinet meeting since returning from medical leave in the** United Kingdom;

30 Aug 2017 Johannesburg (South Africa) Business Day. **Owner of** New Infinity Media, Mzwanele Manyi, **provides share certificates to demonstrate he is the sole owner of** Lodidox, **the company which bought the Gupta family's media group**;

30 Aug 2017 Lomé (Togo) RFI. **Ruling** Union pour la République au Pouvoir **party supporters holds a counterprotest against the opposition** Parti National Panafricain **protest on 19 August**;

30 Aug 2017 Luanda (Angola) Maka Angola. Comissão Nacional Eleitoral (CNE) (**electoral commission**) spokesperson Júlia Ferreira **announces that the CNE has definitive results for 11 out of 18 provinces**;

30 Aug 2017 Johannesburg (South Africa) Bloomberg. Sibanye Gold Ltd **Cancels its dividend payments after reporting a net loss of \$363.8m in the first half of 2017**;

30 Aug 2017 Juba (South Sudan) Reuters. **Parliament passes its 2017/2018 budget, voting to boost spending 30% to \$300m**;

30 Aug 2017 Rabat (Morocco) Jeune Afrique. **President of the** Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) **commission**, Marcel de Souza, **says Morocco will be officially integrated as an ECOWAS member in December**;

29 Aug 2017 Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire) Jeune Afrique. **President** Alassane Ouattara's Rassemblement des Républicains **party will hold its third ordinary congress on 9 to 10 September;**

29 Aug 2017 Accra (Ghana) Graphic Online. **The** Ghana Stock Exchange **suspends trading shares of state-owned** Cocoa Processing Co Ltd;

29 Aug 2017 Libreville (Gabon) Gabon Review. **State-owned** Gabon Oil Company **will sell its Mboumba oil field to Russia-based** JSC Zarubezhneft;

29 Aug 2017 Kinshasa (DRC) Jeune Afrique. **The** Commission Electorale Nationale Indépendante (**electoral commission**) **announces the results for governor elections in** Haut-Katanga, Haut-Lomami, Kwilu, Sud Ubangi, Bas-Uele, Tshopo, Tshuapa **and** Sud-Kivu;

29 Aug 2017 Nairobi (Kenya) Bloomberg. **The** opposition National Super Alliance (NASA) **spokesperson,** Dennis Onyango, **claims that the** Independent and Electoral Boundaries Commission **has failed to comply with the** Supreme Court's order to allow NASA access to its servers;

29 Aug 2017 Antananarivo (Madagascar) *L'Express de Madagascar*. **A newly formed inter-ministerial council meets for the first time, ahead of its 60-day deadline to put forward a revised electoral code;**

28 Aug 2017 Lagos (Nigeria) Guardian. **The** Lagos High Court **seizes \$21m from local bank accounts linked to former oil minister** Diezani Alison-Madueke;

28 Aug 2017 Luanda (Angola) Bloomberg. **The** government is reportedly in talks with banks in order to issue a **\$2 billion Eurobond;**

28 Aug 2017 Johannesburg (South Africa) Business Day. **Former chairman of** Dimension Data Africa and Middle East, Andile Ngcaba, **will enter arbitration with Dimension Data after failing to reach a settlement on a remuneration dispute;**

28 Aug 2017 (Africa) RFI. French **President** Emmanuel Macron **announces the launch of a presidential council on Africa, comprising 12 members of civil society, with the aim of renewing ties between France and the continent;**

28 Aug 2017 Johannesburg (South Africa) Business Day. **President** Jacob Zuma's son, Duduzane Zuma, **writes an open letter to former finance minister** Pravin Gordhan, **blaming him for the closure of his bank accounts;**

28 Aug 2017 Nairobi (Kenya) Daily Nation. **The** Supreme Court **grants the opposition** National Super Alliance **party restricted access to select** Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission **data;**

28 Aug 2017 Accra (Ghana) B&FT Online. **The** Karpowership Ghana Co Ltd's 470MW Osman Khan **Powership arrives in Ghana, and will begin operating at Tema in September;**

28 Aug 2017 (Africa) RFI. French **President** Emmanuel Macron **hosts an immigration summit at the** Elysée **palace in Paris, with** Chad's **President** Idriss Déby **and** Niger's **President** Mahamadou Issoufou **in attendance;**

28 Aug 2017 Accra (Ghana) Graphic Online. **The** Ghana Stock Exchange **suspends five companies** - African Champion Industry Ltd, Clydestone (Ghana) Ltd, Golden Web Ltd, Pioneer Kitchenware Ltd and Transaction Solutions Ltd – **for failing to meet obligations;**

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