1. CAMEROON

'Five police killed in fresh Cameroon violence'

Five police have been killed in violence in western Cameroon over the weekend, where English-speaking separatists have declared an independent state, reports AFP news agency quoting security sources and witnesses. AFP says four security force officials were killed in Esu village in the North-West Region on Sunday morning when their unit came under attack. The same day, a police officer was killed by unidentified attackers at his home in Mutengene, near the South-West region's capital of Buea. **BBC**

2. DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Fears in DRC that President Joseph Kabila will run for third term

Presidential hopefuls in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) have until Wednesday to file their candidacy with the electoral commission ahead of an election in December. The Congolese people are waiting to see if President Joseph Kabila will submit his documents to run again. He is barred by the Constitution from running for a third term but has not openly declared his intentions. **Al Jazeera**

**DR Congo protests 'demand Katumbi's return'**

Democratic Republic of Congo security forces are battling supporters of opposition presidential candidate Moïse Katumbi in the south-eastern city of Lubumbashi, privately-owned Politico website reports. "The Congolese security forces have deployed considerable means to stop several simultaneous demonstrations by supporters of Moïse Katumbi in several corners of Lubumbashi city," the website said. The opposition coalition Together for Change had called on their supporters to march today in the capital of Upper-Katanga Province, Lubumbashi, to demand for his return. Security forces are dispersing demonstrators in central Lubumbashi and no business is reportedly going on. In several neighbourhoods, the people have barricaded the streets and are burning tires. Towards the south, in Bongonga, "gunfire from heavy weaponry can be heard," several sources in the city told the website. **BBC**

3. ETHIOPIA

**Ethiopia talks to resolve Somali region crisis**
Talks between Ethiopian federal government officials and the local administration in the country's Somali region are continuing, a government source has told the privately-owned Addis Standard online publication. **BBC**

**Ethiopia in talks with Oromo 'ex-terror' group**

The Ethiopian government has sent a high-level delegation to Eritrea for talks with the rebel Oromo Liberation Front (OLF), the official Ethiopian News Agency reports. The delegation is led by Foreign Minister Workneh Gebeyehu and Oromia State Governor Lema Megersa, and is due to meet OLF leader Dawud Ibsa. The OLF has not yet accepted Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed's call to all foreign-based opposition groups to return home and pursue their aims by peaceful means. The OLF has been fighting for the self-determination of people in Ethiopia's Oromo region. Until June, the rebel group had been on Ethiopia's list of banned terrorists organisations. **BBC**

4. **KENYA**

**Lawmaker, Sports CS face off at the airport over Raila remark**

A Cabinet secretary and an MP nearly came to blows yesterday allegedly over remarks made against ODM leader Raila Odinga. It reportedly took the intervention of Siaya Deputy Governor James Okumbe, Nominated MP Godfrey Osotsi and Kisumu East MP Shakeel Shabir to calm tempers during the confrontation between Alego Usonga MP Sam Atandi and Sports Cabinet Secretary Rashid Echesa. **Standard**

**Workers to fork out Sh118b to fund Uhuru’s housing dream**

A housing project targeting low income earners. President Kenyatta's affordable housing project will cost nearly Sh750 billion. [File, Standard] Workers will raise Sh118 billion to fund President Uhuru Kenyatta’s affordable housing plan in five years. Projections contained in confidential Government documents have shown the detailed collections in the levy to which employers are also expected to contribute. **Standard**

**Last black rhino moved to Tsavo park dies**

The last of the 11 black rhinos translocated to a newly established sanctuary at the Tsavo National Park has died. It is believed to have died from injuries after it was attacked by a lion about a fortnight ago. The other 10 rhinos died in quick succession just days after being moved as a result of what investigations say was intake of salty water and starvation. Under normal circumstances, an adult rhino should be able to defend itself from a lion, but in this case the rhino was already weak after drinking salty water. **Daily nation**

5. **SOMALIA**

**President of Ethiopia's Somali region resigns**
The Minister for Information for the Somali region of Ethiopia Idris Ismail has confirmed to the BBC Somali Service that regional President Abdi Mohamud Omar has handed over power and has agreed to step down. This follows days of tension in the Somali region as the Federal Military were deployed to the region. It’s believed that he has been pressured by the federal government to step down following protests and fighting between Somali and Oromo communities. Reports say that more federal troops have been deployed to the regional capital, Jigjiga. **BBC**

**Ethnic Somalis fleeing Ethiopian city**

Ethnic Somalis in the eastern Ethiopian city of Jigjiga are leaving amid growing violence, a BBC reporter in the city says. The city is the administrative centre of the country’s Somali region. There has been tension in recent months between the regional and federal authorities. The Somali regional president, Abdi Mohamoud Omar (also known as Abdi Iley), has been accused of creating a special police force that’s targeting Oromos. Violence in Jigjiga and elsewhere in the city has left several people dead. The federal government says it will deploy national forces to the area, the state-linked Fana Broadcasting Corporate is reporting. **BBC**

6. **SOUTH SUDAN**

**Museveni urges South Sudan leaders to shun ethnic politics**

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni has urged South Sudan leaders to turn their backs on ethnic politics that have frequently sparked violence in the country. President Museveni said that the war in the young nation was fueled by tribal politics that seek to oppress the citizens. “Ethnic politics is old politics of oppression and opportunism...tribal politics is totally an enemy of human growth and development of society,” said President Museveni during the signing of the final power sharing deal in Khartoum on Sunday. **The East African**

7. **ZIMBABWE**

**Zimbabwe activists 'unaccounted for'**

Zimbabwe’s opposition MDC Alliance says some of its activists are still missing following a crackdown by security forces in the wake of last week’s election. The party's spokesperson Nkululeko Sibanda said abductions and raids were being organised to deny the party the chance of challenging the elections results. Six people died after MDC Alliance supporters clashed last Wednesday with soldiers, who used live bullets to disperse the crowd. The demonstrators were angry over the delay in the releasing of the presidential election results as they suspected that the vote was being rigged. Twenty-seven party activists have appeared in court at a bail hearing in connection with the violence. **BBC**

**Zimbabwe activists 'in court' over deadly violence**

In Zimbabwe, more than two dozen activists thought to be from the opposition MDC Alliance have appeared in court on charges relating to the violence witnessed in post-
election protests, AFP news agency reports. Six people died in protests last Wednesday when demonstrators and security forces clashed. Soldiers opened fire on the protesters. AFP says that the 27 - that's 19 men and eight women - have been linked to the deaths by the prosecution. State prosecutor Michael Reza argued that they should be denied bail.

BBC

Zimbabwe election 'shows high regard' for Mnangagwa

Kenyan President Uhuru Kenyatta has become the latest African leader to congratulate Emmerson Mnangagwa on his victory in Zimbabwe's presidential election. Mr. Mnangagwa won 50.8% of the vote, which took place last Monday. The result was announced in the early hours of Friday morning, but has been contested by the president's main challenger Nelson Chamisa. He alleges that the vote count was tampered with. BBC

Zimbabwe opposition fears growing post-election crackdown

Zimbabwe authorities are abducting opposition activists and launching court cases to suppress protests, the opposition MDC party said Monday, despite the president's boast of introducing new freedoms to criticise his government. Since the knife-edge election result was declared early Friday, the Movement for Democratic Change (MDC) say they have been the target of a brutal crackdown that exposes President Emmerson Mnangagwa's claims to respect rights and halt repression. Daily Nation