1. **eSwatini**

*More African*: eSwatini adapts to contentious name change

At the main campus entrance, a large concrete sign welcomes students and visitors to “The University of...” followed by a blank space. After Swaziland changed its name earlier this year to eSwatini, the nine letters spelling out the old name of the country were removed from the university sign, and new letters have not yet arrived. “We are still waiting,” said a security guard at the gate. *Capital News*

2. **Cameroon**

*Cameroonian politicians use social media to woo voters*

Political parties in Cameroon have turned to social media to effectively woo more voters and even target the undecided ones ahead of the October 7 presidential polls. Opposition Presidential candidate Joshua Osih of the Social Democratic Front (SDF) is using his new internet based campaign to reach more Cameroonians. At his campaign headquarters, a team of volunteers work to update his social media networks *Africa News*

3. **Ethiopia**

*Dozens killed in Ethiopia ethnic clashes*

At least 44 people were killed during fighting between rival ethnic groups in western Ethiopia over the weekend, state-affiliated media reported. The clashes occurred on the border between the central Oromia and western Benishangul-Gumuz regions, local officials said on Tuesday. *Aljazeera*

*Will Ethiopia’s ruling coalition endorse Abiy’s leadership and reforms?*

Ongoing reforms in Ethiopia will take center stage at the ruling coalition congress which starts on Wednesday. The Ethiopian People’s Revolutionary Democratic Front (EPRDF) meets for three days as ethnic violence continues in parts of a country where more than 1
million people have been forced to flee their homes since April when reformist Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed, took office. Africa News

4. Ghana

**Melania Trump opens Africa tour in Ghana with baby weighing**

US First Lady Melania Trump has kicked off her first big solo international trip with a wave, a smile and a baby in her arms, aiming to promote child welfare during a five-day tour of Africa. She arrived in the West African nation of Ghana on Tuesday after an overnight flight from Washington and quickly made her way to the Greater Accra Regional Hospital. Aljazeera

5. Kenya

**Alarm raised over increased illegal ivory trade between Myanmar, China**

A new report by a conservationist group, Save the Elephants, has recorded increased amounts of ivory flowing into China from Myanmar at 63 per cent in three years. The report titled “Myanmar’s Growing Illegal Ivory Trade with China” recounts how Chinese visitors smuggle worked ivory from a border town with Myanmar with little concern of getting caught. Capital News

**Stop pretending to be co-president, DP Ruto allies tell Raila**

The back-and-forth between allies of Deputy President William Ruto and those of ODM leader Raila Odinga continued Tuesday, with Jubilee leaders asking the ODM leader to “stop pretending to be a co-president.” The leaders said that after the March 9 handshake with President Uhuru Kenyatta, Mr Odinga had used his Orange Democratic Movement (ODM) party to “undermine the DP.” Daily Nation

6. Morocco

**Dozens of refugees drown in shipwreck off Morocco coast**

At least 34 refugees have drowned in a shipwreck along the western Mediterranean, the UN migration agency said, citing the Moroccan navy and a Spanish aid agency. Aljazeera

7. Namibia

**Land reform to boost black ownership in Namibia**

Namibia’s president Hage Geingob called for a change to the constitution to allow the government to expropriate land and redistribute it to the majority black population. The country wants to transfer 43 percent, or 15m hectares of its arable agricultural land, to previously disadvantaged blacks by 2020. At the end of 2015, 27 percent has been redistributed, according to the Namibia Agriculture Union. Africa News
8. Somalia

International community calls for end to Hargeisa and Mogadishu hostilities

Pressure is mounting on Somaliland and Somalia to sit on a round table and sort their political and border disputes. The international community wants talks between the leadership in Hargeisa (Somaliland) and Mogadishu (Somalia) to re-open dialogue to end the cold war between them. Somaliland government has stated they are ready for a fresh round of talks after the Netherlands and Danish envoys to Kenya (and Somalia) said they would be ready to help initiate dialogue. Capital News

9. Uganda

Uganda MPs vote to maintain controversial social media tax

Lawmakers in Uganda have voted to maintain a controversial tax law that sparked protests across the country months back. Local media portals reported that the ruling National Resistance Movement, NRM, dominated chamber voted 136 against 101 votes to maintain the tax on mobile money and social media service. Africa News

10. Zambia

Zambia state-owned media publishes article in Chinese

On Tuesday morning, patrons of Zambia’s state-owned newspaper, Times of Zambia, found more than the usual English they expected in their copies. The paper had published an article in Mandarin – The dialect of Chinese spoken in Beijing and adopted as the official language for all of China. The Chinese article in question was titled ‘We’ve still got it’ was written by one Steven Zande. The English version of the story was the main story of the day. Reporting about President Edgar Lungu’s pledge to maintain Zambian interest in dealing with donors – be they from the east or west. Africa News