1. Cameroon

**29 hurt in suicide blast in Cameroon’s far north: security sources**

At least 29 people were wounded on Wednesday when a women bomber blew herself up in a border town in Cameroon’s Far North, a region frequently hit by Boko Haram jihadists, security sources said. But a second bomber was shot dead by troops deployed in the town before she could detonate her explosives, the source said. "A suicide bomber blew herself up this morning in Amchide" on the Nigerian border, a regional security source said, speaking on condition of anonymity and giving a toll of 29 wounded. *News 24, Citizen*

2. Central African Republic

**Russian bank 'mistakenly' loans $12bn to Central African Republic**

The impoverished state of Central African Republic landed a windfall on Tuesday, at least on paper, when Russian state bank VTB reported it had lent the country $12 billion — but the bank then said it was a clerical error and there was no such loan. The loan was mentioned in a quarterly VTB financial report published by the Russian central bank. The report included a table listing the outstanding financial claims that VTB group had on dozens of countries as of Oct. 1 this year. In the table next to Central African Republic was the sum of 801,933,814,000 roubles ($12 billion) — more than six times the country’s annual economic output. *Africa News*

3. Chad

**Chad opposition leaders decry IdrissDeby's Israel rapprochement**

Opposition leaders and civil society groups in Chad denounced the central African country’s President IdrissDeby's decision to visit Israel and his intention to establish diplomatic relations with it. Political and civic leaders said Chad should not restore diplomatic ties with Israel as long as it continues to occupy Palestinian territories, and in absence of a collective decision by African states to establish relations. Deby became the
first leader of the majority Muslim nation to visit Israel in decades which, according to analysts, came as a crowning achievement of intelligence and military ties between the Deby's government and Israel. *Aljazeera*

4. **DRC**

**In eastern DRC, 19 die of Ebola in five days**

The deadly Ebola outbreak which has ravaged eastern Democratic Republic of Congo for nearly four months has claimed another 19 lives in just five days, the health ministry has said. The outbreak, which began on August 1, has now killed 241 people, the ministry said in a statement late on Tuesday. "There have been 241 deaths," the ministry said in an update correct to November 26, indicating there had been a total of 421 cases - 374 of them confirmed, and another 47 probable. Another 74 suspected cases are under investigation. *News 24*

5. **Ethiopia**

**Oromo parties, ODP and ODF merge ahead of 2020 vote**

Ethiopia’s Oromo Democratic Party (ODP), which is part of the ruling coalition has formalised its merged with the Oromo Democratic Front (ODF), which recently returned from exile. Oromia state president, Lemma Megersa, who is ODP’s deputy chair, signed a memorandum of understanding with ODF’s chair, Lencho Leta on Wednesday. The merger could play a significant role in the Oromia region, where the largest ethnic group (Oromos), have agitated for political power in recent years. *Africa News*

**They’re going to come for us ’: a Teenage Girl Caught in a War’s Riptides**

My father knew we were next. “They’re going to come for us,” he’d say, after Meles Zenawi, then the prime minister of Ethiopia, told the country on national television in July 1998 that Eritreans weren’t welcome. “If the Ethiopian government says, ‘we don’t like the color of their eyes, and get out,’” Zenawi said, “then they should get out.” *New York Times*

6. **Gabon**

**Gabon’s ailing Ali Bongo to fly to Rabat Wednesday, says wife**

Gabon’s Ali Bongo, who has spent a month in treatment at a Saudi hospital, will on Wednesday be transferred to Rabat to continue his recovery, his wife said on Tuesday. *News24*
7. Gambia

**President Barrow's Gambia: A dream betrayed**

Gambia’s former dictator Yahya Jammeh must be watching with a glee in exile in Equatorial Guinea as events unfold back home. Jammeh in July caused a stir when he suggested, via a leaked telephone conversation, that Gambians would soon regret ousting him. At the time, many wondered what he had up his sleeves, given the acrimonious circumstance under which he left office. *The East African*

8. Kenya

**Kenya signs intelligence sharing pact with Western Indian Ocean counterparts**

Kenya, Nov 28 – Kenya has signed an agreement to share intelligence on maritime security with Western Indian Ocean counterparts. Countries that signed the agreement include Madagascar, Seychelles, Somalia and Tanzania with a few countries left to sign the agreement. Defence Cabinet Secretary Raychelle Omamo says the agreement is a commitment to cooperate in operations to deal with threats. She says the approach will ensure the Western Indian Ocean economy is safeguarded. *Capital News*

9. Madagascar

**Madagascar ex-presidents to compete in second round vote, incumbent out**

An ex-president of Madagascar and the man who overthrew him in a 2009 coup will compete to become the island state’s next leader in a run-off election in December after the two came top in a first-round vote that eliminated the incumbent. Former president Marc Ravalomanana garnered 35.35 percent of the vote in the first round on Nov. 7, behind his successor, Andry Rajoelina, who got 39.23 percent, the High Constitutional Court ruled on Wednesday. *Reuters*

10. Mauritius

**Mauritius and the European Union continue their partnership to combat violence against women and girls**

The Ambassador of the European Union (EU) to the Republic of Mauritius, the Chairman of the National Human Rights Commission and the Hon Vice Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands and Minister of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare say NO to violence against women and girls. The National Human Rights Commission and the EU hosted an event in the context of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, to draw attention to gender based violence in the Republic of Mauritius. *Africa News*
11. Morocco

**Morocco accepts Algerian proposal for Arab Maghreb summit**

Morocco’s Foreign Minister Nasser Bourita, says his country has accepted the Algerian proposal to hold a session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Arab Maghreb Union. Rabat, however, has expressed doubts about the realization of tangible results in the conference. It instead wants a bilateral dialoguesession with Algiers. *Africa News*

12. Senegal

**Senegal wants restitution of 'all' its artwork: minister**

Senegal's culture minister called on Tuesday for the restitution by France of all Senegalese artwork following a French report urging the return of African art treasures. The recommendations in the report by French and African experts, commissioned by President Emmanuel Macron and released last week, could potentially affect tens of thousands of works acquired during French colonisation of Sub-Saharan Africa. *News24*

13. Somalia

**AFRICOM: US Airstrike in Somalia Targets Al-Shabab**

A U.S. military airstrike Tuesday in Somalia killed three al-Shabab militants, according to the U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM). The U.S. conducted numerous strikes in the same region of Qay Ad, near Dabad Shil, in Mudug region on November 19 and 20, killing 50 al-Shabab fighters. Local sources told VOA Somali that the latest strike targeted al-Shabab vehicles. The sources say the vehicles belonged to Abdishakur Mohamed Mire, a junior al-Shabab military commander. There was no confirmation on whether Mire was traveling in one of the vehicles at the time. *VOA*

**Al-Shabaab militants release 2 herders after 5 days in captivity**

Two herders from Wajir County kidnapped by Al-Shabaab terrorists a week ago have been released after five days of negotiations between two clans in Somalia. Wajir County Commissioner Loyford Kibaara said the two, accompanied by elders, began their journey back to the county on Tuesday. “The two herders have been released after completion of negotiations between elders from the two clans,” he said. *Daily Nation*

14. Sudan

**Darfur armed groups to meet in Berlin next week: chief negotiator**

The Sudanese government said it would meet with the Darfur rebel movements next week in Berlin to agree on the general framework of the upcoming round of talks. Sudan’s Presidential Envoy for Diplomatic Contact and Negotiation for Darfur Amin Hassan Omer told the semi-official Sudan Media Center that the government would meet with an African Union High Implementation Panel (AUHIP) envoy in Khartoum next week to discuss the resumption of Darfur talks. *Sudan Tribune*
15. Tanzania

**Tanzania central bank suspends five banks from interbank FX market**

Tanzania’s central bank has suspended five banks from trading in the interbank foreign exchange market for one month for breaching regulatory rules, a senior official said on Wednesday. Barclays Bank Tanzania, Exim Bank, UBA Bank, BancABC and Azania Bank were all suspended from the market on Nov. 23 for violating the market’s code of conduct, said Alexander Ng’winamila, the director of financial markets at the central bank. *Reuters*

**Eyebrows up as Tanzania President John Magufuli absent from Nairobi Blue Economy conference**

The absence of Tanzania's president John Pombe Magufuli at the Blue Economy Conference in Nairobi has once again raised eyebrows. Magufuli’s failure to attend the Blue Economy Conference is, however, in line with his disdain for conferences, which he has cut to bare minimum, shoe-string-budget affairs in Tanzania. *Standard Media*

16. Tunisia

**Saudis will lend Tunisia $500 million and finance projects**

Saudi Arabia will lend Tunisia $500 million at a favorable interest rate and will finance two projects worth $140 million, two sources told Reuters on Wednesday, a day after a visit from the Saudi crown prince that drew Tunisian protests. *Reuters*

17. Uganda

**Museveni directs Uganda tax agency to monitor all calls, money transactions**

Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni wants the Uganda Revenue Authority (URA) to monitor all calls made and received within the country for tax purposes. The president says Uganda has been losing billions of shillings in revenue for years from the telecommunication companies under-declaring the number of calls their subscribers make. This, according to President Museveni, means the telecommunication firms have been paying less tax than what they should actually be remitting. He now wants URA to monitor all the calls and the records used to determine the rightful taxes that the telecommunication firms should pay.

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