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AFRICA



ETHIOPIA – 09/27/2021 :
Ethiopia's Tigray crisis :
Why are hundreds of aid
trucks stranded ? : With

concern mounting about the food situation in Ethiopia's Tigray region, there are conflicting claims about why supply trucks are stuck there, unable to transport further crucial supplies. (BBC News-[Article Link](#))



SUDAN – 09/27/2021 :
Sudan's Burhan vows army
reforms after coup attempt

: The general who heads Sudan's ruling transitional authority on Sunday pledged to reform the army, days after a failed coup. (Africa-[Article Link](#))



AFRICA – 09/27/2021 : U.S.
Africa Command chaplains
hold conference : U.S Africa

Command held its religious affair conference at Kelley Barracks, near Stuttgart, Germany, from Sept. 20-22, 2021; including participation from command components, U.S. National Guards, and European Command, with some joining in virtually. (Africom-[Article Link](#))



NIGERIA – 09/27/2021 :
Nigerian gunmen release
10 kidnapped students
after ransom payment :

School officials say the students were released on Sunday, nearly three months after they were seized by the gunmen in the restive Kaduna state. (TRT World-[Article Link](#))



NIGER – 09/28/2021 :
'Canon fodder' ?
Joblessness, jihadists
stalk Niger's nomad youth

: For Veli Rabo, a 28-year-old Nigerien, the idea of finding a job has almost become a joke. His time is spent being "completely unemployed -- I am even too unemployed!" he says with a laugh. (Africa News-[Article Link](#))



ERITREA – 09/28/2021 :
Eritrea accuses US, EU of
supporting Ethiopia's
TPLF rebels : Eritrean

Foreign Minister Osman Salih on Monday blamed Ethiopia's Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF) rebels for provoking a "major war" in Tigray. (Africa News-[Article Link](#))



MALI – 09/28/2021 : Head
of French military
operation in Sahel refutes
Mali PM's 'abandonment'

accusation : France's Barkhane military operation commander rejects claims made by Malian Prime Minister Choguel Maiga. (Africa News-[Article Link](#))



NIGERIA – 09/28/2021 : At
least 40 killed in attacks in
Nigeria's Kaduna state :

More than 40 people have been killed since Sunday in two village attacks by gunmen in northwestern Nigeria, where a military base was also attacked by suspected jihadists, authorities said Monday. (Africa News-[Article Link](#))



D.R. CONGO – 09/28/2021 : Abuse allegations amid Ebola outbreak ‘a sickening betrayal of the people we serve’ : Sexual abuse and exploitation allegedly carried out by World Health Organization (WHO) staff during the UN health agency’s response to an Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) is “a sickening betrayal of the people we serve,” Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General said on Tuesday. ([UN News-Lien Article](#))



NIGERIA – 09/28/2021 : Nigeria Air Strike Kills 20 Fishermen: Sources : Nine people were killed and 23 others were injured in another air strike this month. ([The Defense Post-Lien Article](#))



SUDAN – 09/29/2021 : Five Sudan Officers Killed Targeting IS Cell : Security Officials : South Sudan is emerging from a six-year civil war that left 380,000 dead and millions displaced. ([The Defense Post-Article Link](#))



ETHIOPIA – 09/29/2021 : The AP Interview : Ethiopia crisis ‘stain on our conscience’ : The crisis in Ethiopia is a “stain on our conscience,” the United Nations humanitarian chief said, as children and others starve to death in the Tigray region under what the U.N. has called a de facto government blockade of food, medical supplies and fuel. ([AP News-Article Link](#))



TUNISIA – 09/29/2021 : Political parties in Tunisia warn of a possible return to violence : Four political parties in Tunisia have warned of a possible return to violence in the country following President Kais Saied's controversial power grab. ([Africa News-Article Link](#))



NIGERIA – 09/29/2021 : Fishermen on Lake Chad after Nigeria air strike kills 20 : At least 20 fishermen were killed accidentally in a Nigerian military strike on a jihadist camp in northeast Nigeria, two security sources and locals said on Monday. ([Africa News-Article Link](#))



D.R. CONGO – 09/29/2021 : Summary killings, human-rights abuses surge in eastern DRC : According to the UN’s Joint Human Rights Office, 293 civilians were killed in August, including 63 women and 24 children. ([Al Jazeera-Article Link](#))



NIGERIA – 09/30/2021 : ‘We are under bandits’: Dozens killed and abducted in Nigeria : Armed groups attack remote communities in Niger and Sokoto states, the latest incidents in a spiralling cycle of violence plaguing the country. ([Al Jazeera-Article Link](#))



BURKINA FASO – 09/30/2021 : Mine Blast Kills Five Burkina Soldiers: Army : Jihadist groups linked to Al-Qaeda and the Islamic State have frequently planted explosive devices in military camps. ([The Defense Post-Lien Article](#))



DJIBOUTI – 09/30/2021 : CJTF-HOA hosts inaugural Women in Security Symposium in Djibouti :

The symposium focused on the incorporation of a gender perspective into peace and security, and helped promote the empowerment of women in achieving security. ([Africom-Article Link](#))



EGYPT – 09/30/2021 : US national security adviser & Egypt FM hold talks :

U.S. President Joe Biden's national security adviser held talks Wednesday with Egypt's president that focused on regional tensions and the ties between Washington and its Mideast ally, the Egyptian leader's office said. ([Africa News-Article Link](#))



LIBYA – 09/30/2021 : Divided UN extends its mission in Libya till after elections :

The U.N. Security Council voted unanimously on Thursday to extend the U.N. political mission in Libya until after the country's critical presidential and parliamentary elections scheduled for late December. ([AP News-Lien Article](#))



SUDAN – 09/30/2021 : Khartoum protesters demand civilian transitional gov't :

Thousands of Sudanese rallied in the capital of Khartoum on Thursday to demand an exclusively civilian transitional government, accusing the generals now in power of derailing its transition to democracy. ([Africa News-Lien Article](#))



D.R. CONGO – 09/30/2021 : Human rights violations and summary executions are on the rise in eastern DRC :

The UN peacekeeping agency MONUSCO said at a new conference in Kinshasa on Wednesday that 739 incidents of human rights violations were reported last month, up from 492 in July. ([Africa News-Lien Article](#))



AFRICA – 09/30/2021 : African migrants arrive in Italy a week after their rescue :

A humanitarian vessel disembarked dozens of African migrants in Italy on Wednesday, just over a week after they were rescued in the Mediterranean Sea off conflict-stricken Libya, a charity operating the vessel said. ([Africa News-Article Link](#))



NIGERIA – 10/01/2021 : Nigerian Army denies killing 20 fishermen :

The Nigerian army responded to the recent airstrike that targeted a jihadist camp on Nigeria's Lake Chad on Sunday stating that the attack was "precise and professionally executed." ([Africa News-Article Link](#))



MALI – 10/01/2021 : Mali takes delivery of Russian helicopters, lauds partnership :

Mali Defence Minister Colonel Sadio Camara saluted a burgeoning partnership with Russia after taking delivery of four Russian military helicopters. ([Africa News-Article Link](#))



NIGERIA – 10/01/2021 : Why are Nigerians paying for fake COVID test results ? :

The high cost of private PCR tests and results delays are inhibiting a key weapon in Nigeria's fight against COVID-19. ([Al Jazeera-Article Link](#))



RWANDA – 10/01/2021 : Rwanda arrests 13 suspected of plotting 'terrorist' attacks :

Rwandan police said on Friday they had arrested 13 people suspected of plotting "terrorist" attacks in the capital Kigali and paraded them before the media. ([Africa News-Lien Article](#))



ETHIOPIA – 10/01/2021 : Decision to expel UN staff could put aid operations at risk :

The decision to expel United Nations staff from Ethiopia could affect aid distribution in the war-torn north of the country, where needs and displacement are rising, UN humanitarians said on Friday. ([UN News-Lien Article](#))



KENYA – 10/01/2021 : Flash Appeal launched as 2.5 million face 'dire situation' in Kenya :

Immediate action is needed to respond to the severe drought that is ravaging communities in Kenya's dry regions – categorized as Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASAL) - the UN's humanitarian affairs office (OCHA) said on Friday. ([UN News-Lien Article](#))



SUDAN – 10/01/2021 : Thousands rally in Sudan capital to demand civilian rule :

The protesters gathered at the entrance to a street leading to the government buildings in the Sudanese capital Khartoum, chanting pro-democracy slogans. ([TRT World-Article Link](#))



ETHIOPIA – 10/01/2021 : UN warns of 'unprecedented' malnutrition in Ethiopia's Tigray :

UN reports alarming malnutrition among children, pregnant and lactating women in the conflict-hit region. ([Al Jazeera-Article Link](#))



SAHEL – 10/02/2021 : Mali's plan for Russia mercenaries to replace French troops unsettles Sahel :

There is deep international concern over Mali's discussions with the controversial Russian private military company, the Wagner group, but many Malians feel the Russians cannot replace French troops soon enough. ([BBC News-Article Link](#))



LIBYA – 10/02/2021 : Libya's migrant roundup reaches 4,000 amid major crackdown :

A major crackdown in western Libya has resulted in the detention of at least 4,000 migrants, including hundreds of women and children, officials said Saturday. ([AP News-Lien Article](#))



ETHIOPIA – 10/02/2021 : Ethiopia's Oromo protest, demand freedom for jailed leaders :

Members of Ethiopia's largest ethnic group, the Oromo, protested Saturday against the government and called for the release of jailed opposition figures as they gathered in the capital for their annual Thanksgiving festival of Irreecha. ([AP News-Article Link](#))



CHAD – 10/03/2021 : Injuries as Chad violently disperses anti-junta rally :

A peaceful demonstration in Chad's capital city was dispersed by police Saturday, leading to dozens of protesters being injured. ([Africa News-Lien Article](#))



SOUTH SUDAN – 10/03/2021 : Flash floods affect 500,000 South Sudanese - UN :

About 500,000 people have been affected by flash floods in South Sudan, the UN says. ([BBC News-Article Link](#))



MALI – 10/03/2021 : UN chief condemns attack on UN peacekeepers in Mali

: The UN Secretary-General has condemned an attack against peacekeepers in Mali on Saturday which left one Egyptian 'blue helmet' dead, and four others seriously injured. ([UN News-Article Link](#))



ALGERIA-FRANCE – 10/03/2021 : Algeria-France row escalates with military flight ban

: Algeria has banned French military planes from flying over its territory, the French army has said, as the diplomatic row between the two countries intensifies. ([BBC News-Lien Article](#))



UGANDA – 10/03/2021 : Distribution problems, hesitancy slow Uganda vaccination bid

: The light bulb hanging from the ceiling flickered on and off, infuriating the technician in this remote Ugandan town as he checked the refrigerators filled with vaccine doses to confirm they were still working. ([AP News-Lien Article](#))



MALI – 10/03/2021 : UN peacekeeper killed, four wounded in Mali bomb attack

: UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres says attacks could constitute war crimes and calls on Malian authorities "to spare no effort" in finding those responsible. ([TRT World-Article Link](#))



LIBYA – 10/03/2021 : Italian vessel rescues 65 from migrant boat fleeing Libya

: An Italian offshore supply vessel on Saturday rescued 65 migrants, including women and children, fleeing Libya to Europe on a crowded, wooden boat. ([AP News-Article Link](#))



TUNISIA – 10/04/2021 : Tunisians rally in Tunis to back president Saied

: More than 5,000 demonstrators held a show of support Sunday throughout Tunisia for President Kais Saied whose power grab has stirred controversy in the birthplace of the Arab Spring. ([Africa News-Article Link](#))



LIBYA – 10/04/2021 : Hundreds of Europe-bound migrants intercepted off Libya

: More than 500 migrants attempting to get to Europe were on Sunday intercepted off the Libyan coast as the country continues a massive crackdown on migrants. ([BBC News-Article Link](#))



MOZAMBIQUE – 10/04/2021 : Sons of Mocímboa : Mozambique's terrorism crisis

: Abductions, beheadings, and the burning of homes have become the calling cards of a secretive and brutal group of insurgents in Cabo Delgado, Northern Mozambique. ([BBC News-Article Link](#))



ETHIOPIA – 10/04/2021 : Ethiopia Tigray crisis: From monk to soldier - how war has split a church

: An Ethiopian monk, who once carried only the cross and Bible in a land famous for its rock-hewn churches, is now picking up a rifle to march into battle against Tigrayan rebels in a war that is tearing the nation - and the Orthodox Christian Church - apart. ([BBC News-Article Link](#))



LIBYA – 10/04/2021 : Libya Says 'Very Modest Start' to Pullout of Foreign Fighters

: Last year, the UN Security Council ratified the ceasefire hammered out between Libya's warring parties. ([The Defense Post-Article Link](#))

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