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# Tanzania's Samia Suluhu Hassan Declared Winner of Presidential Election

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Tanzania's electoral commission declared President Samia Suluhu Hassan the winner of the presidential election, securing a new term in office. While authorities hailed the outcome as a mandate for continuity and stability, opposition groups and civil society raised concerns over electoral transparency and political freedoms. The result reinforces CCM's dominance and highlights ongoing tensions between political control and democratic accountability in Tanzania.



## **Somalia Confirms Major Data Breach in Electronic Visa System**

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Somalia confirmed a significant data breach affecting its electronic visa system, exposing sensitive personal information of applicants. Authorities launched an investigation and temporarily suspended parts of the system. The incident highlights Somalia's growing cybersecurity vulnerabilities as it digitises governance services, raising concerns over data protection, institutional capacity, and the security risks facing fragile states adopting digital infrastructure.



## China Premier Makes Landmark Zambia Visit

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China's premier visited Zambia in a high-profile trip aimed at deepening economic and infrastructure cooperation. The visit underscored Beijing's continued strategic engagement in Africa amid growing competition from Western countries seeking investment footholds. Discussions focused on mining, transport corridors, and development finance, highlighting Africa's central role in global geopolitical and economic competition.

# China Signs Agreement to Revamp TAZARA Railway in Zambia

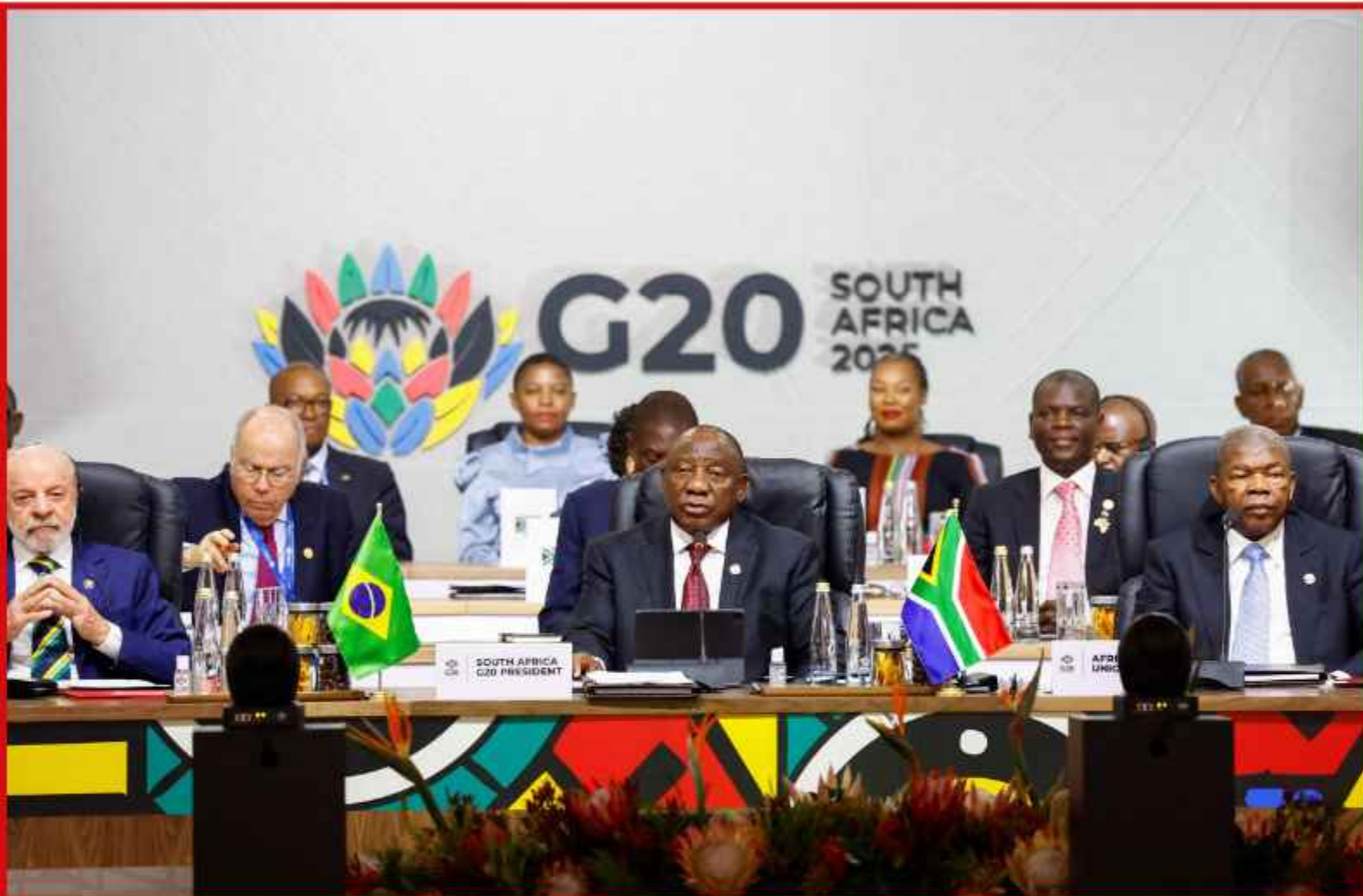
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China signed an agreement to overhaul the Tanzania–Zambia Railway Authority (TAZARA) line, a symbol of historic Sino-African cooperation. The upgrade aims to boost regional trade, logistics, and connectivity. The deal reinforces China's infrastructure-led engagement model in Africa while strengthening Beijing's long-term strategic and economic presence in southern Africa.



# G20 Leaders Meet in South Africa Amid US Boycott

23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2025



G20 leaders convened in South Africa seeking consensus on global economic and climate issues despite a US boycott of the meeting. Discussions focused on development finance, debt relief, and energy transition. The gathering highlighted South Africa's diplomatic role as G20 president and exposed fractures within global governance amid geopolitical tensions and diverging priorities among major powers.



# Gambia Detains Cameroonian Opposition Leader After Election Protests

24<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025

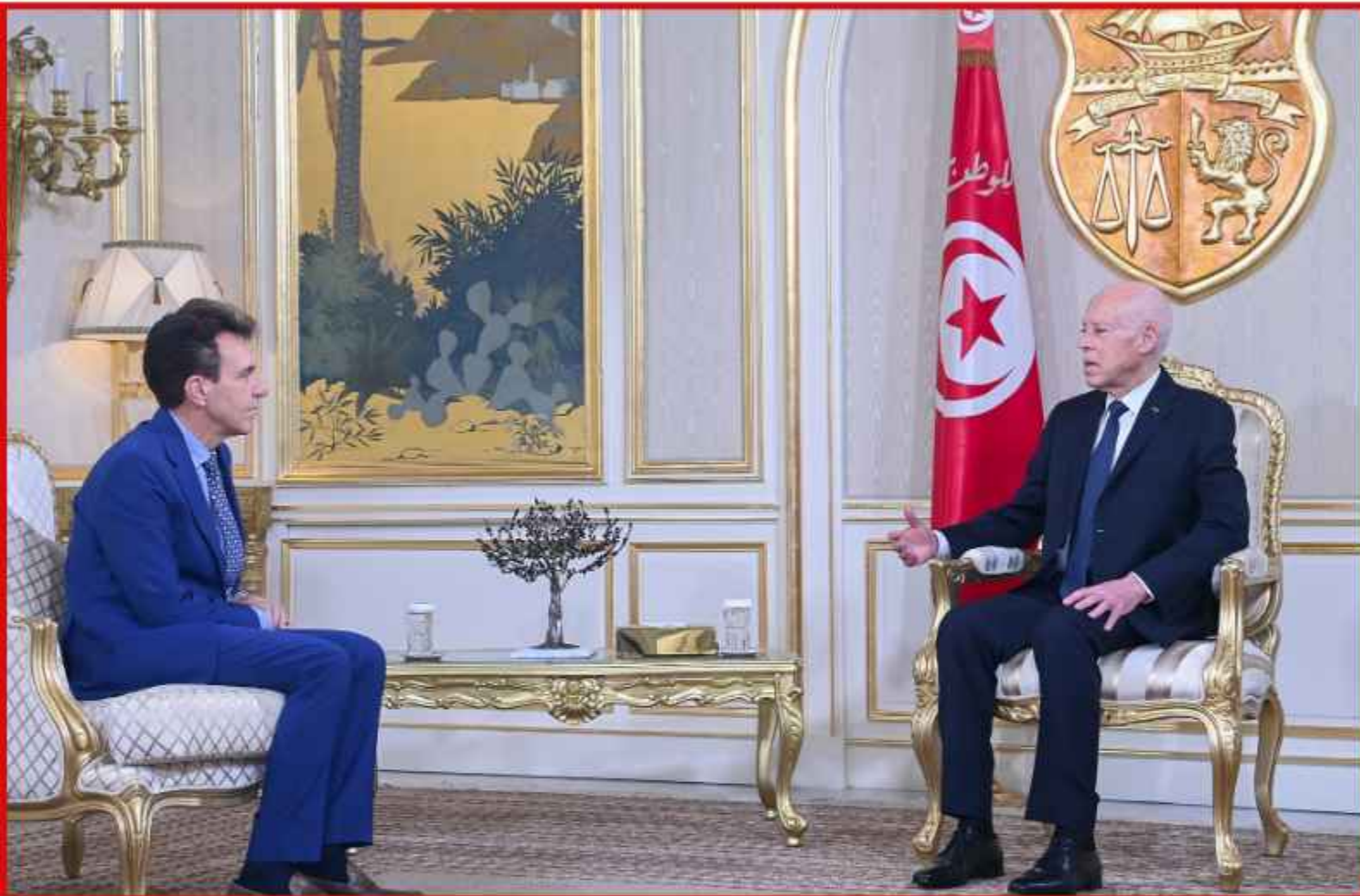


Gambia detained a Cameroonian opposition leader following protests linked to elections back home. The arrest raised concerns over cross-border political repression and the shrinking space for dissent in parts of Africa. The incident reflects growing cooperation among security services to curb opposition movements and highlights regional challenges to political freedoms and asylum protections.



# Tunisia Summons EU Ambassador Over Union Meeting with Opposition

26<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025



Tunisia summoned the European Union ambassador to protest a meeting between EU officials and Tunisian opposition figures. The move reflects growing tensions between Tunis and Western partners over democratic backsliding. President Kais Saied's government has increasingly resisted external criticism, signalling a more confrontational stance toward international engagement on governance issues.



## **Nigeria's Tinubu Declares Security Emergency, Orders Mass Recruitment**

*27<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025*

Nigerian President Bola Tinubu declared a security emergency and ordered large-scale recruitment into the police and armed forces. The move follows worsening insecurity driven by insurgency, banditry, and communal violence. The announcement underscores the scale of Nigeria's security crisis and the government's reliance on force expansion amid persistent governance and intelligence challenges.



## AfDB and EIB Fund Mauritania Railway Upgrade

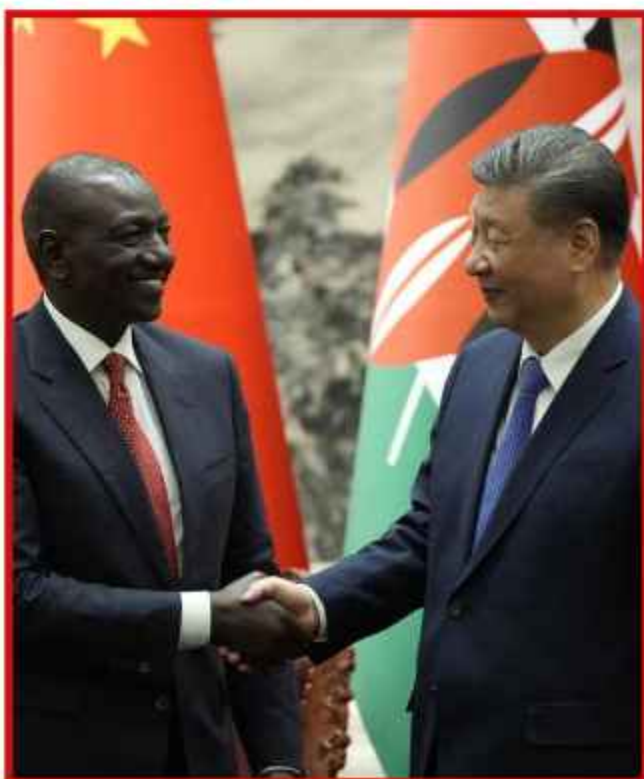
27<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025

The African Development Bank and European Investment Bank agreed to lend \$275 million for upgrading Mauritania's railway infrastructure. The project aims to improve mineral exports and regional connectivity. The investment reflects Europe's growing development engagement in Africa and efforts to support sustainable infrastructure amid rising competition from China and Gulf states.



## Kenya Turns to China for \$1.5 Billion Highway Expansion

28<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025



Kenya secured \$1.5 billion in financing from China for a major highway expansion project after struggling to access Western funding. The deal highlights Nairobi's pragmatic economic approach and China's enduring appeal as an infrastructure partner. It also reflects broader African trends of diversifying partnerships amid tightening global financial conditions.

# General Sworn in as New Guinea-Bissau Leader, Ousted President Arrives in Senegal

28<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025

Guinea-Bissau's military installed Major-General Horta Inta-a as transitional president, a day after soldiers toppled the civilian leadership in a swift power grab made before the results of a weekend election could be announced. The president who was ousted in the coup, Umaro Sissoco Embaló, arrived in Senegal aboard a special flight following an intervention by the West African regional bloc, Senegal's foreign ministry said.





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