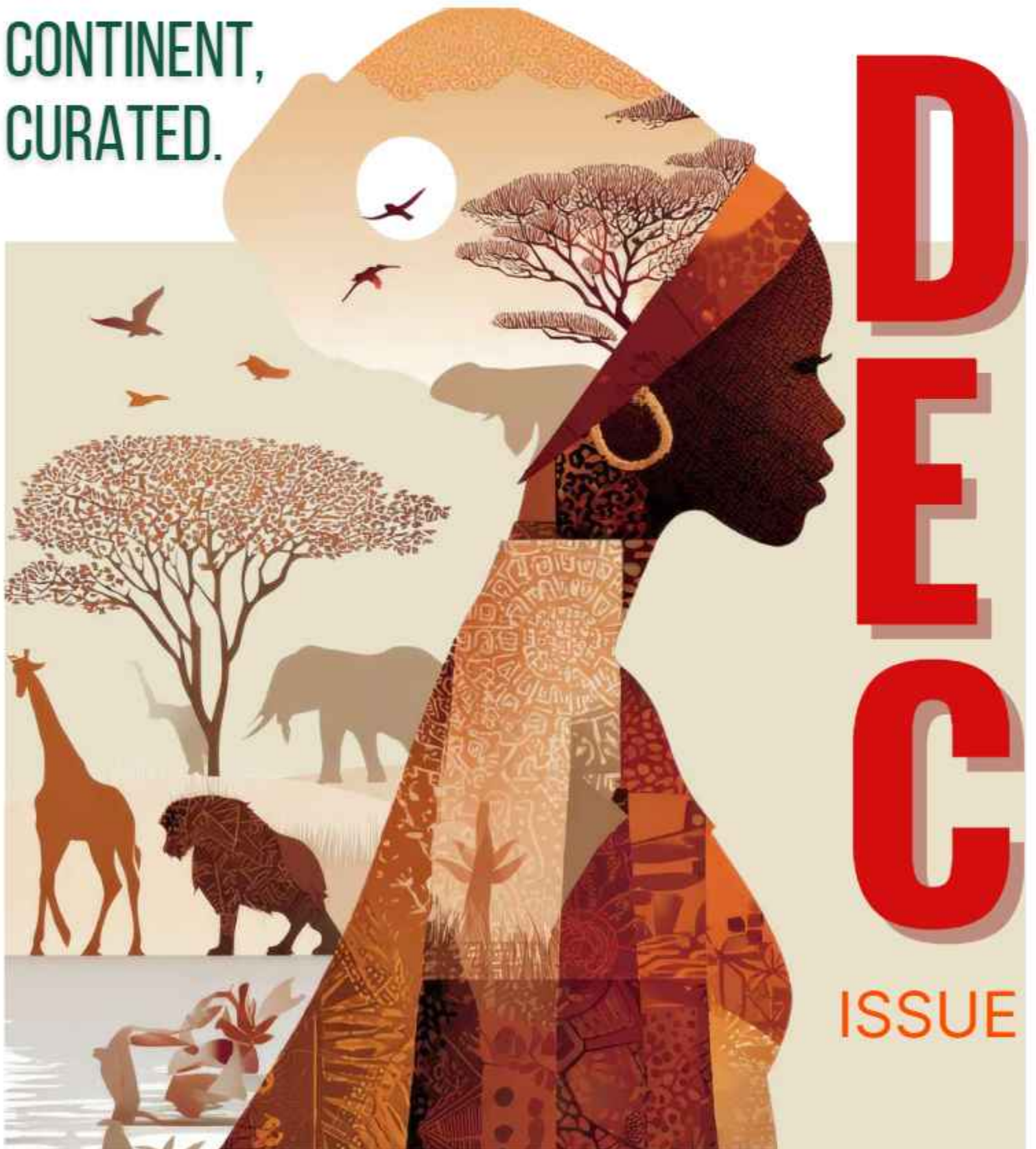




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Nigeria Shelters Guinea-Bissau Opposition Figure

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Nigeria granted protection to a Guinea-Bissau political rival following the military coup. The move highlighted Abuja's diplomatic role within ECOWAS and intensified regional pressure on the junta to restore constitutional governance.



Algeria Hosts Continental Peace Dialogue

1st Dec 2025



*A*lgeria convened African diplomats and security experts for a seminar on peace and stability. The meeting reinforced Algeria's diplomatic influence in conflict mediation and promoted African-led solutions to regional security challenges.





U.S. Reviews Relations with Tanzania

4th Dec 2025

Washington announced a reassessment of ties with Tanzania over concerns related to religious freedom and foreign investment. The move signaled a possible shift in U.S.–East Africa diplomatic engagement.

South Africa Rejects U.S. Pressure

4th Dec 2025

South Africa stated it would not change policies despite U.S. criticism following the G20 summit. The dispute reflected growing strain in bilateral relations and Pretoria's insistence on strategic autonomy in foreign policy.



M23 Rebels Advance in Eastern DR Congo

5th Dec 2025



Renewed M23 rebel offensives captured territory in eastern Congo, raising tensions with neighboring states. The escalation prompted renewed diplomatic engagement by the African Union and regional blocs.



Benin Foils Attempted coup

7th Dec 2025

Benin's government thwarted an attempted coup, drawing swift condemnation from ECOWAS. The incident reinforced regional concerns over democratic backsliding and instability across West Africa.



Libya Security Ties Under Scrutiny

8th Dec 2025



Regional diplomatic discussions revisited Libya's security cooperation after renewed instability. Neighboring states emphasized the need for coordinated foreign engagement to prevent spillover effects across North Africa.



South Africa's ANC Promises Reforms

10th Dec 2025

The ruling ANC pledged internal reforms to restore public confidence, indirectly shaping South Africa's international credibility as it navigates strained relations with Western partners and emerging global powers.

U.S. Advances Ambassador Nomination To South Africa

11th Dec 2025



The U.S. Senate moved forward with confirming a new ambassador to South Africa, signaling Washington's intention to maintain diplomatic engagement despite political tensions.



ECOWAS Rejects Guinea-Bissau Junta Roadmap

14th Dec 2025

ECOWAS dismissed the military junta's proposed transition plan, demanding a faster return to civilian rule. The bloc reaffirmed its commitment to democratic norms in West Africa.



ECOWAS Urges Swift Transition in Guinea-Bissau

14th Dec 2025

Guinea-Bissau



Regional leaders reiterated calls for elections and civilian governance in Guinea-Bissau, warning of sanctions if the junta failed to comply with diplomatic timelines.

SADC Holds Extraordinary Summit

17th Dec 2025



Southern African leaders met to address political stability and security concerns. The summit reinforced regional cooperation and collective diplomatic responses to internal and cross-border challenges.



South Africa Arrests Kenyan Nationals

17th Dec 2025

South African authorities detained Kenyan nationals linked to U.S. refugee application processing. The incident created diplomatic sensitivity involving South Africa, Kenya, and the United States.



U.S. Expands Travel Restrictions to African States

17th Dec 2025



Washington imposed new visa restrictions on several African countries, sparking criticism and raising concerns about reciprocity and diplomatic fallout across West and Central Africa.



DR Congo Violence Drives Refugee Flows

19th Dec 2025



Escalating conflict in eastern DR Congo forced tens of thousands to flee into Burundi. The crisis highlighted the regional humanitarian and diplomatic burden of prolonged instability.



Alliance of Sahel States Launches Joint Force

20th Dec 2025

Mali, Burkina Faso, and Niger formally launched a joint military force, deepening security cooperation while distancing themselves from Western and ECOWAS frameworks.



Russia-Africa Relations Analysed

23rd Dec 2025



Commentary highlighted Moscow's use of media and diplomacy to strengthen influence in Africa, underscoring evolving geopolitical competition on the continent.

U.S. Signs Health Agreements with African states

24th Dec 2025

The United States finalized health cooperation deals with multiple African countries including Madagascar, Sierra Leone, Botswana, and Ethiopia, which total nearly \$2.3 billion in funding. This emphasizes pragmatic engagement despite broader political tensions.



Nigeria Cooperates with U.S. on Airstrikes

26th Dec 2025



Nigeria coordinated with U.S. forces on counter-terrorism airstrikes, preventing unilateral action and underscoring security cooperation between Abuja and Washington.



Somali Protests Erupt Nationwide

30th Dec 2025

Large-scale protests broke out across Somalia against Somaliland's recognition, increasing pressure on foreign governments and international organizations to intervene diplomatically.



Mali and Burkina Faso Imposes Reciprocal Ban on U.S

31st Dec 2025



The two Sahel states imposed reciprocal travel bans on U.S. citizens, deepening diplomatic rifts and signaling a shift toward alternative international partnerships.



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