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# Daily AfricanCrisis News Digest for: Saturday, 25th December 2010.

**Côte d'Ivoire: Pro-Gbagbo Forces Abducting Opponents**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Dakar - Security forces associated with Laurent Gbagbo are abducting and "disappearing" his rival's supporters, Human Rights Watch said today, citing statements from numerous witnesses.Alassane Ouatta (By News Poster)...

**Côte d'Ivoire: The UN's Mission Impossible?**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Abidjan - In Côte d'Ivoire's post-election turmoil, with two political camps claiming power and widespread fear of renewed war, the UN's operation in the country has been in the spotlight, and l (By News Poster)...

**S.Africa: Daily Mail Guardian: The Super-Spies - How the South African Govt watches and monitors YOU...**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: [Here is a brilli! ant find by a reader which proves a lot of what I've been sayi! ng for y ears to be true. So thank you very much Old Female - I am deeply appreciative of this. She posted this as a comme (By Jan)...

**Zimbabwe: Vice-President Runs Into Trouble**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Dumisani MuleyaHarare - VICE-PRESIDENT Joice Mujuru will have nightmarish holidays after sinking deeper into political trouble this week following a foiled campaign at the recent Zanu PF conference (By News Poster)...

**Uganda: Danger in High Umeme Tariffs**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Dicta AssimweGodfrey Kamya owns several rental homes in several upscale Kampala suburbs. He prefers to rent them out to expatriates who pay him well.Recently, however, an unexpected problem has eme (By News Poster)...

**Ethiopia: Rebel Group Wreaks Havoc in Northeast Kenya**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Moyale - The presence of an Ethiopian rebel group in northern Kenya, coupled with operations by security forces from both countries, has caused numerous casualties and displacement among local residen (By News Poster)...

**Uganda: Understanding Terrorism**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Kajabago-Ka-RusokeTERROR is a mutually uncomfortable economic and spiritual state of social be! ing caused by social interest groups which are opposed to one ! another and have resorted to mutual physi (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Arms Shipment - Court Grants Iranian Suspect Bail**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Ikechukwu NnochiriAbuja - An Iranian, Azim Aghajani, who allegedly conspired with three Nigerians, Ali Usman Abbas Jega, Aliyu Oroji Wamako and Muhammad Tukur Umar, to import 13 containers laden wi (By News Poster)...

**Mozambique: 'We Refuse to Echo Rumours and Lies' - Ruling Party**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Maputo - The head of the parliamentary group of Mozambique's ruling Frelimo Party, Margarida Talapa, on Wednesday night declared that the country's parliament, the Assembly of the Republic "will not b (By News Poster)...

Nation a Haven for Drug Barons - Wikileaks (news)
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Patrick MayoyoNairobi - Kenya is among African countries which have been turned into playgrounds for international drug traffickers.Cables released by whistle-blowing website WikiLeaks show that th (By News Poster)...

**Sudan: Darfur Rebels Claim 'Major Victory'**

**Central Africa: Urgent Appeal to President Obama On Ending the Menace of the LRA**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: 34 civil society, human rights, and religious groups in northern Congo, Central African Republic, and Southern Sudan write to President Obama, calling for urgent implementation of the new strategy rel (By News Poster)...

**Somalia: Harakat Al-Shabaab 'Gobbles Up' Hizbul Isam**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Dr. Michael A. WeinsteinOn December20, Hizbul Islam (H.I.) folded its tent and migrated under the encampment of Harakat al-Sbababb Mujahiden (H.S.M.), leaving H.S.M. with a monopoly over armed oppo (By News Poster)...

**Ghana: Oil and The Economy Took Centre Stage**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Ebo QuansahAccra - Someone said the other day that Social Democracy is a political concept that allows discredited communists the opportunity to act as if they have abandoned the principle of commu (By News Poster)...

**Attenti! on: AfricanCrisis3 AmericanCrisis - Your input please... Thanks, finally we are getting there...**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: [This is getting interesting and valuable gems of info are coming out now which I am grateful for. Here are the latest discussions with some of you who kindly gave a lot of input. I thought this n (By Jan)...

**Côte d'Ivoire: More than 170 Killed During Political Stalemate, Says UN**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Kyung-wha KangGeneva - United Nations human rights officers have substantiated allegations of 173 killings, 90 instances of torture and ill-treatment, 471 arrests and detentions and 24 cases of e (By News Poster)...

**Africa: Ivory Coast - the Crises of the State And the Democracy in Africa**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Charles OnunaijuAbuja - The hope that the long delayed election in cote Ivoire, which was actually due in 2005 when president Laurent Gbagbo's five year tenure expired, has thrown the world number (By News Poster)...

**Côte d'Ivoire: Human Suffering Escalates**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Alexis AdeleAbidjan - For three days 25-year-old, Ousmane Traoré attended the private clinic in the populous district of Abobo, north of Abidjan. Suffering from gunshot wounds to the head an (By News Poster)...

**Congo-Kinshasa: When Will the Suffering End?**
Saturda! y 25-Dec-2010: By Matthew SteinRape. Violence. Displacement. Minerals. Pillaging. These are all words that have become synonymous with the relentless conflict in the Kivu region of the Democratic Republic of Congo ( (By News Poster)...

**Sudan: New Battle Reported From North Darfur**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Khartoum - Sudanese army and fighters from the rebel Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) released conflicting statements about a second battle took place in North Darfur area of! Shangili Tobayi today. (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: Zanu PF Financial Woes Worsen Ahead of Polls**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Leonard MakombeHarare - ZANU PF is in a financial mess after incurring a US$3,4 million deficit this year, posing a threat to the party's restructuring and elections campaign scheduled for next yea (By News Poster)...

**Against Army**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Khartoum - A newly announced Darfur rebe! l alliance led by the Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) inflicted heavy losses on government troops after fierce fighting in Shangili Tobayi, North Darfur sta (By News Poster)...

**Kenya: Minister Resigns Under Cloud of Drugs Charges**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Bob OdaloNairobi - Trade assistant minister John Harun Mwau, who resigned on Friday from Kenya's coalition government is "deeply affected" by the drug trafficking claims made in Parliament, an aide (By News Poster)...

**UN Substantiates Reports of Killings, Torture, Arrests And Disappearances (news)**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Human rights officers in Côte d'Ivoire have substantiated allegations of more than 170 killings, hundreds of arrests and dozens of cases of torture, ill treatment and enforced disappearance of p (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Senior Official Arrested for Passport Scam**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Nthambeleni GabaraPretoria - A senior administration clerk at the Akasia Home Affairs offices was arrested on Thursday after she was allegedly linked to a scam in which foreigners got legal South A (By News Poster)...

**Mozambique: Wikileaks, Banks ! And Amer ican Ignorance**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Paul FauvetMaputo - Among the supposed "revelations" in the US diplomatic cables, signed by the former US charge d'affaires in Maputo, Todd Chapman, and publishing by the whistle-blowing site Wikil (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Nation Invited to Join Major Emerging Economy Group**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Johannesburg - South Africa has received a formal invitation to join the Brazil, Russia, India and China (BRIC) group of large emergi! ng economies, Foreign Minister Maite Nkoana-Mashabane said on Fri (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Global Witness - UK Aiding Corruption in Nation**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Paul ObiAbuja - The British authorities are not doing enough to stop the flow of corrupt money into the United Kingdom (UK) from Nigeria, says Global Witness, an anti-corruption non-governmental or (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Jos - FG Petitioned Over Military Activities**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Seriki AdinoyiJos - Federal Government has been petitioned by the youth and women of Vwang District of Plateau State over the dissatisfactory activities of the Military Special Task Force (STF) kee (By News Poster)...

**! Gambia: Two Directors Testify Before Lands Commission**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Lamin SanyangThe Director of Lands and Survey Mr. Malamin Jatta and the Acting Director of Physical Planning Mr. Momodou FK Colley all testified before the Lands Commission at the High Court in Ban (By News Poster)...

**Uganda: Power Supply Improved This Year**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Ibrahim KasitaUGANDA has doubled electricity! production in a decade, a situation that has tremendously red! uced loa d-shedding, which slowed social and economic progress.East Africa's third largest e (By News Poster)...

**Uganda: 1800 More UPDF Soldiers To Be Sent to Somalia**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Barbara AmongA contingent of 1,800 more Ugandan peacekeepers will be deployed in Somalia to bolster the African Union force in the war-torn country.The group is part of the troops that were passed (By News Poster)...

**Tanzania: Stop Terror Network Before It is Too Late**

**Nigeria: Tightening the Noose Against Corruption**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Chuka OdittahTo further strengthen its anti-corruption crusade across the country, the Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission (ICPC) recently held a one-day workshop fo (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria : Plumber Cuts Off Prostitute's Neck After Sex Romp**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: THREE persons who were fingered in the last month killing of a commercial sex worker (names with held)in a hotel room in Ikotun area of Lagos have been arrested by detectives from the Homicide Unit of (By News Poster)...

**Mozambique: Gas-Fired Power Station for Ressano Garcia**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Maputo - Mozambican Energy Minister Salvador Namburete on Thursday signed a c! oncession contract with the company Gigawatt-Mozambique, granting it the right to build a gas-fired 100 megawatt power stat (By News Poster)...

**Kenya: Six MPs Named in Drug Baron Scandal**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Caroline WafulaNairobi - Six Members of Parliament and a Mombasa tycoon were on Wednesday named in the House in connection with the drugs trade.Internal Security Minister George Saitoti informed th (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Rivers - Conflict Death Toll Rises to 18**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Dennis NakuPort Harcout - Death toll in the communal crisis between Kegbara-Dere and neighbouring Baranyowa-Dere in Gokana local government area of Rivers State rose from 15 to 18 yesterday, as fig (By News Poster)...

**Guinea: Tyranny to Democracy**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Democracy is sweeping Africa; there is no question about that. Governments instituted by the people for the people are slowly replacing tyranny in the name of independence. The Africa of Idi Amin, Jul (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: SA Visa Requirements Normal/! b>**
**Saturday 25-Dec-2010: The decision by the South Africans! to rein troduce visas for Zimbabweans wanting to stay more than 90 days working and studying in that country makes sense.It is apparent from the reasons given by the (By News Poster)...**

**Uganda Ready to Send 4,000 More Troops (news)**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Milton OlupotUGANDA is ready to send 4,000 more soldiers to Somalia. This follows a decision by the UN Security Council on Wednesday to increase the number of peacekeepers supporting the transition (By News Poster)...

**Tanzania: Power Cuts to Continue Through Xmas, New Year**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Samuel KamndayaIt is now official. Tanzanians will celebrate Christmas and New Year in darkness. The country is in yet another scheduled power rationing, denting hopes that the nationwide energy al (By News Poster)...

**Uganda: Mwondha Withdraws From Terror Suspects Trial**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Ruth MubiriJustice Faith Mwondha, has obviated from conducting the trial of 14 suspects accused of the July 11 Kampala twin bomb blasts.Mwondha announced her withdrawal from the case after holding (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: C! hristmas Eve Bombings Kill Dozens**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: At least 38 people have died across Nigeria after a series of Christmas Eve bomb explosions and attacks on churches.Police are trying to defuse the situation amid reports that youths have set up barri (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Land Tenure Bill Goes Out for Public Comment**

Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Monday night's grenade attack in Kenya's capital, Nairobi, is yet another signal that extremist elements operating in Eastern Africa will not go to rest as they plot more terror strikes to enhance the (By News Poster)...

**West Africa: Regional Leaders to Meet on Cote d'Ivoire Crisis**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Tokunbo AdedojaNew York - Ahead of today's meeting of leaders of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) in Abuja over Cote d'Ivoire's political crisis, United States President Barac (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: 20 Killed in Jos Bomb Blasts**
Saturday 25-Dec-20! 10: By Gonji Palang And Achor AbimajeJos - Four bombs went off in Kabong area of Gada Biyu, Jos, the Plateau state capital yesterday, killing twenty people and leaving seven injured.Although no arrest had (By News Poster)...

**Ethiopia: Five-Year Plan to Halve New HIV Infections**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Addis Ababa - Ethiopia's government has come up with an ambitious plan to halve new HIV infections, quadruple its annual condom distribution and put 85 percent of people who need life-prolon! ging HIV m (By News Poster)...

**Mozambique: Food Price Controls to Remain in Effect**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Maputo - The Mozambican government has promised to keep in effect, for at least the first quarter of 2011, most of the measures adopted in September to subsidise prices and rein in public expenditure. (By News Poster)...

**Sudan: UN-African Mission Voices Concern Over Ongoing Darfur Clashes**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: The United Nations-African Union peacekeeping mission in Darfur (UNAMID) voiced grave concern today over the ongoing clashes between the Sudanese Armed Forces and rebel movements in the strife-torn re (By News Poster)...

**Uganda: Defilers Infect 55 Girls With HIV**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Moses NampalaFIFTY-five girls below the age of 12 have contracted HIV/AIDS in Tororo district after being defiled this year. A total of 276 girls were defiled in the district between January to Sep (By News Poster)...

**Liberia: Stolen Xmas Susu Money Leaves Tears**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Peter N. TobyMembers of the Courage Financial Club (Susu) in New Georgia Estate risk celebrati! ng an empty Christmas after thugs, allegedly hired by the club's vice president, Korpo Arku, stole thei (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: Thousands Stuck At Chaotic Beitbridge Border Post**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Tererai KarimakwendaConditions at Beitbridge have been described as 'chaotic' and 'depressing' by Finance Minister Tendai Biti, after he visited the border post on Monday.Accompanied by transport m (By News Poster)...

**Somalia: Insurgents Call on Al Qaeda for Aid**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Mogadishu - Somalia's Al Shabaab, which US alleges to be Al Qaeda's proxy in Somalia, on Thursday demanded support and aid from Al Qaeda organization.Speaking at a ceremony marking the unity of Al Sha (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Citizens to Enjoy More Electricity Next Year - FG**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Oscarline OnwuemenyiAbuja - The Federal Government has said it is committed to increasing its investment in the energy sector as well as enhance the conditions for private sector involvement in the (By News Poster)...

**Ministry Welcomes Conviction of Serial Killer**
Sat! urday 25-Dec-2010: Pretoria - The ministry responsible for wom! en has w elcomed the ruling of the Durban High Court, which found Thozamile Taki guilty of killing 13 women.Taki was convicted on Thursday of 13 counts of mur (By News Poster)...

Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Pretoria - Government is pressing ahead with it plans to pass into law the Land Tenure Security Bill, which aims to sec! ure land rights for farm dwellers.The bill, which was recently! approve d by Cabine (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Driver 32 Times Over Legal Limit**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Nthambeleni GabaraPretoria - Law enforcement officials nabbed a drunk motorist with blood alcohol content 32 times over the legal limit near Queenstown in the Eastern Cape on Wednesday.When the mot (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Failed Roads Threaten Christmas Celebrations**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Charles KumoluIt is three days to Christmas and the yearly exodus has began. In the face of this annual practice, one thing that has remained frightening is the state of Nigerian roads .Whereas man (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Pipeline Attacks, Power Outages Cripple Refineries**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Chika Amanze-NwachukuNigeria's four refineries with combined capacity to refine 445,000 barrels per day of crude oil have been completely shut.The implication is that Nigeria will now be importing (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: First Lady Sues Weekly for Quoting Wikileaks Cable**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Reporters Without Borders is outraged by the libel! suit which President Robert Mugabe's wife, Grace Mugabe, has brought against the independent weekly "The Standard" for quoting a US diplomatic cabl (By News Poster)...

**Côte d'Ivoire: The Real Tragedy is That We've Seen This So Many Times Before**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Jenerali UlimwenguNairobi - The tragedy that has become Cote d'Ivoire is unfortunately one of those déjà vu situations that continue to haunt the African continent.We have been here b (By ! News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Delta Militant Gets New Appeal Date**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Moses JolayemiThe suspected mastermind in the October 1 twin bomb blasts in Abuja, Mr. Henry Okah, has finally secured a date for his appeal. Okah who is facing trial in Johannesburg, South Africa (By News Poster)...

**Côte d'Ivoire: U.S. Discussing Ways to Augment U.N. Force**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Stephen KaufmanThe Obama administration is in discussions with a number of countries in the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) on how to ensure that U.N. forces "can continue to mai (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: Western Countries Urge Elector! al Refor ms**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Lance GumaA grouping of western countries called the 'Friends of Zimbabwe' has urged the government to implement major electoral reforms, to ensure free and fair elections. The Fishmongers Group, a (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Court Grants Suspected Gun Runners Bail**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Ahuraka Yusuf IsahAbuja - An Abuja High court yesterday granted bail to an Iranian Azim Aghajani, charged for allegedly conspiring to import and importing containers! loaded with assorted calibers o (By News Poster)...

**Provincial Governor Attacks Setsan**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Maputo - The governor of the southern Mozambican province of Inhambane, Agostinho Trinta, has launched an attack on the Food and Nutritional Security Technical Secretariat (SETSAN), which had roused h (By News Poster)...

**Mozambique: AD-Hoc Commission on Constitution Approved**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: Maputo - The Mozambican parliament, the Assembly of the Republic, on Wednesday approved a resolution moved by the majority Frelimo Party to set up an Ad-Hoc Commission to draft constitutional amendmen (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: DDC Machines Theft - Suspects Arraigned Amidst Confusion**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Akinwale AkintundeThere was palpable tension on Wednesday as the Nigerian Police arraigned four suspects in connection with the alleged stealing of 20 Direct Data Capturing Machines, DDC, before th (By News Poster)...

**AfricanCrisis2 AmericanCrisis - Analysing some statistics for the first time - An evening of statistics**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: I have run some statistics that I have wanted for years but just never got around to. I wanted to see certain ratios to try to make sense of what people do and do not like on my sites. I won't reve (By Jan)...

**AfricanCrisis AmericanCrisis - Some ideas? What do you think of this?**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: I want to ask for some more input from you. 1. What do you think about voting and rating reader's comments? Then we can draw more attention to the better written stuff and give it higher priority, (By Jan)...

! **Namibia: Standard Bank Manager Arrested After Months On Run**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: By Denver KistingAFTER months on the run, the former Standard Bank Rundu manager, Henry Kisting, suspected of defrauding this bank of millions of dollars, is behind bars. Kavango Acting Regional Comma (By News Poster)...

**[Joke] Humor: A Jewish Christmas joke... Which South African Muslims might also share...**
Saturday 25-Dec-2010: A Jewish friend of mine told me this joke about Christmas. He was telling me recently he was doing some work for a Muslim businessman who told him a similar story. In a nutshell it goes something l (By Jan)...

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