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**S.Africa: The Big Socialist Tax Rip-off... How the ANC taxes a few of us to death for the masses**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: South Africa has a lot of taxes, and South Africa's tax base is really quite small. As unemployment in this country gets worse and it is the masses who are losing jobs more than anything... the ANC me (By Jan)...

**"Zimbabwe Today" by Robb WJ Ellis (23-02-2011)**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Howzit Foreign currency mid-rates updated... -o00o- We have all watched the popular uprisings in Tunisia and Egypt - and now, of course, the current rebellion in Libya. Many people have wonde (By The BeardedMan)...

**ZIM CRISIS NEWS/ A CALL FOR FORMATION OF A LIBERATION POLITICAL PARTY IN ZIMBABWE**
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**Tanzania: Central Bank, Experts Differ on Effects of Power Crisis**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Alawi MasareDar es Salaam - The Bank of Tanzania (BoT) says the economic growth projection of seven per cent this year will be attained despite persistent power problems.But some local economists a (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Union (TAU) to intervene in hate speech case**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Johannesburg - The "Shoot the Boer" song has a direct bearing on farm violence, the Transvaal Agricultural Union of SA (TAU SA) said after it applied to intervene in a hate speech case against Julius (By Bommer)...

**CÃ´te d'Ivoire: Sexual Violence and Other Human Rights Abuses Must Stop**
Wednesday 23-Feb-! 2011: Human rights violations including sexual violence and un! lawful k illings are being perpetrated by forces loyal to both Côte d'Ivoire's outgoing President Laurent Gbagbo and internatio (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: Seven Activists tortured in Zimbabwe Police Custody**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: 23 February 2010 HARARE Forty six (46) Zimbabwe activists that include former MDC MP Gwisai have been arrested some few days ago for holding a peaceful meeting. They are being accused of plotting (By Jan)...

**Zanu-PF Calls On Supporters to Shun Political Violence**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: ZANU-PF has urged its supporters to shun violence and maintain peace.Speaking at a belated Christmas party in Mbare constituency at the weekend, Zanu-PF secretary for administration Cde Mutasa urged t (By News Poster)...

**MDC-T Pays Lip Service to GPA On EU Sanctions**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Sittings of the Senate have been few and far between. Interestingly though, these have, more often than not, been quite animated.Zimbabwe's Upper House of Parliament is, as it turns out, a gallery of (By News Poster)...

**Amnesty International Mission Report (document)**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: An Amnesty International research team has just returned from a four week mission to Côte d'Ivoire where they investigated ongoing human rights violations connected with the disputed Novem (By News Poster)...

**Kenya: Race Against Time As Kuria, Trans Mara Residents Surrender Illegal Guns**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Angwenyi GichanaHundreds of residents living along the cattle rustling-prone border have acquired illegal guns to protect themselves and their cows. However, some of them have surrendered their dea (By News Poster)...

**Zims Urged to Follow Egypt, Tunisia Libya's Lead**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Alex BellVarious campaigns hoping to defy Robert Mugabe's clampdown on civic action have been launched, trying to encourage Zimbabweans to follow the lead of other African countries protesting agai (By News Poster)...

**South Africa white genocide: Agri SA: Farm murders hurt economy**
! Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Bloemfontein - The wave of farm murders! has tri ggered mounting concern within the agricultural community which is demanding immediate steps to stop it, the commercial farming body Agri SA said on Wedn (By Grazy)...

**Nigeria: Oil Reserves Dry up in the Country**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Adeola YusufCORRESPONDENT, Adeola Yusuf reports that while oil majors are clinking glasses in celebration of more oil discoveries in neighbouring West African countries, the oil reserves in Nigeria (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: FG to Tap From U.S.$20 Billion Global Upstream Investment Surge**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Adeola YusufLagos - Minister of Petroleum Resources, Deizani Alison-Madueke, on Tuesday declared that Nigeria is determined to tap from the global upstream investment, which has grown by $20 billio (By News Poster)...

**Central Africa: Bemba's Commanders Looked On As Soldiers Abused Civilians**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Wakabi WairagalaThe trial of former Congolese vice president Jean-Pierre Bemba today heard how commanders of the Movement for the Liberation of Congo (MLC) militia looked on as soldiers committed a (By News Poster)...

**Liberia: Nation at 'Critical Juncture' in Post-War Recovery - Ban**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Liberia has reached "a critical juncture" in its long recovery from civil war as it prepares for its second democratic elections later this year, and considerable work remains to be done before the Un (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Revealed - the Cost of Electricity Fr! om Coal**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Yugendree NaidooThe hidden costs of generating electricity from coal have been calculated in groundbreaking research by Harvard Medical School's Centre for Health and Global Environment.The results (By News Poster)...

**Ghana: Food Price Hike Drives 44 Million People Into Poverty**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Daniel NonorRising food prices have driven an estimated 44 million people into poverty in developing countries since last June as food costs co! ntinue to rise to near 2008 levels, according to new W (By New! s Poster )...

**South Africa: Dept Clarifies Reports on Sale of Arms to Libya**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Pretoria - The Department of Defence and Military Veterans has moved to clarify media reports regarding the sale of arms by South African arms manufacturers to Libya, calling them misleading.During a (By News Poster)...

**Somalia: 12 Killed in Continue Clashes in Mogadishu**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: At least 12 people ! have been killed in latest wave of violence that rocked different parts of Mogadishu, witnesses and medics said.In the restive capital of Mogadishu, fierce shelling and gun battles (By News Poster)...

**Africa: Urban Agriculture Innovations Feed Sub-Saharan Cities**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Toni BacalaAs hunger cuts deeper through the divides of urban poverty and human rights in sub-Saharan Africa, innovations in urban agriculture hold promising solutions."There is increasing recognit (By News P! oster)...

**Nigeria: Seventeen Killed in Fresh Plateau Violence**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Onoja AuduJos - Mercenaries, who on Monday threatened to invade Jos, Plateau State capital, struck in the early hours of Tuesday in Bere village of Barkin Ladi Local Government of Plateau North Sen (By News Poster)...

**Sudan: Govt Says Darfur Rebels Could Be Involved in Libya Turmoil**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Khartoum - Sudan does not rule out the veracity of leaks on the involvement of rebel groups from its own western region of Darfur in the unfolding unrest in Libya, the country's foreign ministry said (By News Poster)...

**Liberia: Sa! cred Cov enant to Study War No More - Woods Says Liberia Will Rise Again**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Public Works Minister Samuel Kofi Woods says Liberians "have decided to enter a sacred covenant to Study war no more, and that "Liberia is on an irreversible path of progress.Minister Woods said the c (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Crude Oil Exports - Looming Dark Cloud**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: That the United States (U.S.) is very! determined to ensure energy security and self-sufficiency can be easily garnered from a recent announcement by its Energy Information Administration (EIA).The age (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Plateau - 18 Killed Again**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Achor Abimaje and Philip NyamJos and Abuja - At least eighteen people were yesterday confirmed killed in a pre-dawn attack on Bere village near Dorowan Tsoho, Fan district, a border community betwe (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Jimoh Ibrahim Gets Ghanaian Banking License**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Ejiofor AlikeThe Bank of Ghana yesterday in Accra, handed over Class "A" Banking License to the Energy Bank Ghana Limited established by a Nigerian business mogul, Jimoh Ibrahim, at a ceremony witn (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Police Headquaters Lease Agreement Invalid - Public Protector**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Nthambeleni GabaraPretoria - The R500 million lease agreement of the new South African Police headquarters in Pretoria has been ruled as "improper and maladministration" by Public Protector, Adv Th (By News Poster)...

**KZN Agricultural Sector Set for Revival**
Wed! nesday 2 3-Feb-2011: By Kemantha GovenderDurban - The KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Government will take advantage of the potential in the agricultural sector to increase its contribution to the regional economy.This is one of (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: 18 Killed As Jos Boils Again**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Seriki AdinoyiThe last appears not to have been heard of the Jos crises as no fewer than 18 people were gruesomely killed in their sleep by suspected Fulani assailants in a! pre-dawn attack on Bere (By News

**Zambia: Copper Prices Remain High**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By James Muyanwa and Maimbolwa MulikelelaThe copper market is facing a widening deficit until new supply comes on stream in late 2013, giving Zambia definite hope to continue in the glare of rising pr (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: Rising Food Prices Stoke Inflation**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Tawanda MusarurwaRISING food prices were the major impetus to an increase in the country's annual inflation rate - 3,3 percent in January from 3,2 percent in December.According to the Consumer Coun (By News Poster)...

**Namibia: Attack On State's New Treason Trial Evidence**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Werner MengesThe prosecution in the marathon main Caprivi high treason trial came up against a new challenge this week: a defence bid to force the trial to a speedier conclusion by getting a court (By News Poster)...

**Africa: Green Economy Key to African Growth, Says UN**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By John MuchangiDeveloping countries like Kenya will achieve higher growth by movi! ng into what is known as Green Economy, a new UN report says. The model challenges a long-held view that developing co (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Budget Expected to Focus on Job Creation**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Cape Town - Jobs, infrastructure development and small and medium enterprise (SMEs) promotion are likely to form the key focus of Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan's Budget Speech today.When Gordhan del (By News Poster)...

**Côte d'Ivoire: Rapes and Abuses Committed by Security Forces and the Forces Nouvelles, Says Amnesty International**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Human rights group Amnesty International said that Côte d'Ivoire became a "human rights black hole" after the disputed November 2009 presidential elections, with both sides carrying out rapes an (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: 12 Killed in Plateau Midnight Attack**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Jos - Twelve people were killed and several others injured in a fresh attack on Rwang Fang village in Mangu Local Government Area of Plateau in the early hours of Tuesday by unknown assailants.Among t (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: C! ompanies Must Get Into Southern Sudan Early - Sisulu**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Cape Town - South African businesses must take advantages of opportunities in Southern Sudan as soon as possible, with the state set to gain independence on 11 July, said Minister of Defence and Milit (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: Farmers to Get Cash for Tobacco**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Elita Chikwati And Faith MhanduTOBACCO farmers are now getting a cash payment for almost all their deliveries after the! Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe increased the cas h payment threshold from US$2 000 (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Fulanis Sack Benue Community**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Terna DokiMakurdi - Tears and blood rent the air following three days of serial raids by Fulani night marauders on vengeance mission in three districts of Gwer West Local Government Area of Benue S (By News Poster)...

**Kenya: Barclays Raises Dividend After Record Sh10 Billion Full Year Profit**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Geoffrey IrunguBarclays Bank of Kenya's share price jumped by the highest margin at the Nairobi Stock Exchange buoyed by news that its after tax profit had touched the Sh10 billion mark.The bank's (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Security Men Demolish Kidnappers' Hideout in Isu**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Uche NwosuOwerri - A house allegedly used to camp kidnapped victims at Umunegbele, Aboh na Umuopara area of Dim-na-nume in Isu Autonomous

Poster)...

**Tanzania: Mobile Labs Boost Govt Drive Against Bogus Fuel**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Joseph MwamunyangeNairobi - The government has launched three mobile laboratories, as part of efforts to curb rising cases of fuel adulteration and dumping.Haruna Masebu, the director general of th (By News Poster)...

**Namibia: Taxi Driver Jailed for Robbing Passenger**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Werner MengesAn armed robbery in which items worth close to N$4 000 were stolen from a taxi passenger in Windhoek landed a taxi driver and two co-accused with five-year jail terms each on Friday la (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Do you know someone who owns a firearm?/! a>**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Very interesting view, to us and the USA citizens. (Grazy) by Dion Goldie There are many people who should never own a firearm. The most obvious is any convicted or would-be criminals. The firearm (By Grazy)...

**Uganda: Journalist Shot By Soldiers, Faces Possible Arrest**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: A journalist who was shot by the military on 18 February 2011 while covering an election fracas in eastern Uganda has been threatened with arrest while recovering in hospital.Julius Odeke, a freelance (By News Poster)...

**Libya: Egyptians, Other Foreign Nationals Fleeing Libya**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Some 10,000 Egyptians fleeing the violence in Libya are now crowding the border between the two countries, according to Egyptian security sources. Meanwhile, Cairo has aupped security at the border cr (By News Poster)...

**Libya: Migrants Fleeing Violence in Nation Begin Arriving in Tunisia**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: IOM staff at Tunisia's border with Libya report that migrants have begun to cross into Tunisia in efforts to escape the violence in the North African country and to get back to their home countries.Al (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: Mhlauri's Final Call**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Robson SharukoZIFA have given Charles Mhlauri until Sunday to commit himself to their offer to become the Warriors' substantive coach or the association will open the doors to other candidates with (By News Poster)...

**Zimbabwe: Former MP And Others Arrested For Political 'Plot'**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Former MDC MP for Highfield, Munyaradzi Gwisai, and 45 co-accused who were arrested in! connection with plotting to oust a constitutionally-elected G! overnmen t are expected to appear in court today.Acco (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: BUDGET IN A NUTSHELL**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan is putting pedal to the metal with his 2011/12 national budget, blasting ahead with infrastructure spending of R800bn with no plans to cut the budget deficit. While (By Bommer)...

**South Africa: 2010 Matric results adjustments explained.**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Please note the subjects that was adjusted upwards include Maths and science. These are the subjects we really need the children to do well in so we can grow our technology base. ONCE AGAIN HE ANC (By Bommer)...

**South Africa: Trillions have Gordhan flummoxed**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Cape Town - South Africa's rising national government debt has even the finance minister flummoxed, it emerged on Wednesday. Delivering his Budget speech, Pravin Gordhan told MPs that the debt was (By Grazy)...

Community of Nwangele Local Government Area, Imo State has (By News Poster)...

**Libya: FREEDOM LOVING ANC AGAIN SUPPORTS A TYRANT**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Lauren Hess Cape Town - The South African government has called for a peaceful resolution to the crisis in Libya but on Wednesday stopped short of telling Muammar Gaddafi to step down. Hundreds (By Bommer)...

**Kenya: Barclays Bank Beats Falling Rates On Loans to Post Sh10.5 Billion Profit**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Kaburu MugambiNairobi - Barclays Bank of Kenya's profit after-tax for the year ended December 2010 rose 75 per cent from Sh6 billion to Sh10.5 billion a significant growth as banks face falling int (By News Poster)...

**Tanzania: Azania Bank Issues 100 Billion Loans to SMEs**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Arusha - AZANIA Bank Limited had issued over 100bn/- loans by the end of December last year to small land medium enterprises (SMEs).Speaking during the occasion to establish the Mbauda-Corner branch o (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Telecoms Infrastructure - IHS Gets N12 Billion From World Bank**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Kunle AderinokunThe World Bank has provided $79 million - that is, about N11.8 billion - financing for IHS Plc, one of Nigeria's leading telecommunications infrastructure providers, to help it deve (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: FG Offers $600 Million Dividend to Oil Communities**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Chineme OkaforThe Federal Government h! as said oil-producing communities will earn about N1.1 billion! as annu al dividend payments from oil revenues as part of incentives in the much-anticipated Petr (By News Poster)...

**Nigeria: Mayhem As Jonathan Visits Kwara**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Hammed ShittuA semblance of hell broke loose Tuesday in Ilorin, the Kwara State capital as members of rival political parties violently attacked each other, destroying campaign bill boards and infl (By News Poster)...

**Africa: Taking Up Arms in Support of Women Peacekeepers Around the World**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: By Ian PottsArmed with AK-47s and a unique insight, female soldiers may be the future of United Nations peace building."[W]e are working to enhance our female presence as a peacekeeping force," said U (By News Poster)...

**South Africa: Budget In A Nutshell**
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**South Africa: Fuel levy hike to hit motorists**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Pretoria - Vehicle owners, already hard hit by the oil price increase, face an increase in the fuel levy by 10 cents per litre on petrol and diesel effective from April 6 2011. The Road Accident F (By Grazy)...

**South Africa: VAT hike may fund NHI**
Wednesday 23-Feb-2011: Cape Town - A hike in VAT is one of the options that government will consider to fund its planned national health insurance (NHI) scheme, Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan said on Wednesday. "We will (By Grazy)...

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