



Copper **\$14,545/t** ▲ +1.8% | Cobalt **\$56,290/t** → 0.0% | Tin **\$56,075/t** ▼ -0.1% | Gold **\$4,390.70/oz** ▲ +0.4% |
Brent **\$88.52/bbl** ▲ +1.7% | CDF per USD **2,265.56** → flat

Market data — end-of-day close · LME cash settlement · LME/Fastmarkets Cobalt · LBMA Gold Price PM · ICE Brent front-month · BCC indicative rate · as of 17 Aug 2026.
Prices pulled from source at collection, not model-generated.

SITUATION MAP — EVENTS (LAST 24H)

● SECURITY ● PUBLIC HEALTH ● MINING ● POLITICS ● ECONOMY ● GEOPOLITICS



- 1 **Opposition C64 rejects referendum bill** — Kinshasa
- 2 **President announces national dialogue address** — Kinshasa

THREAT LEVEL **CRITICAL** **HIGH** **ELEVATED** **GUARDED** — also the coloured bar beside each item

VERIFICATION **CONFIRMED** corroborated by 2+ sources **REPORTED** single source

SECURITY & CONFLICT

International Contact Group Calls for Confidence-Building Measures in Eastern DRC Conflict

CRITICAL

The International Contact Group (GCI) for the Great Lakes region called on parties to the conflict in eastern DRC to implement confidence-building measures, including the release of 15 detainees held by Kinshasa toward the AFC/M23.

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MINING & RESOURCES

Rubaya Mining Centre: Mass Displacement from Mining Expansion

ELEVATED

Approximately 100 families were displaced and rendered homeless following the demolition of their homes in Rubaya mining centre (Masisi territory, North Kivu) to make way for mining concession expansion. The displaced families are left without shelter or compensation. The identity of the mining operator responsible has not been publicly confirmed.

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POLITICS & GOVERNMENT

Opposition Coalition C64 Reiterates Opposition to Referendum Bill

HIGH

The C64 opposition coalition reiterated its call for abandonment of a proposed law setting conditions for organizing a referendum, signalling continued political tension over constitutional change.

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President Tshisekedi Announces National Dialogue Address

HIGH

President Félix-Antoine Tshisekedi announced he will deliver an address to the nation to clarify the scope of an inclusive national dialogue, following opposition pressure.

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POLITICS & DIPLOMACY

DRC-Gabon Visa Exemption Agreement

HIGH

President Félix-Antoine Tshisekedi and Gabonese President Brice-Clotaire Oligui Nguema signed a reciprocal visa exemption agreement on 15 August 2026 in Libreville.

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WATCHLIST

- ▶ Implementation of DRC-Gabon visa exemption agreement and any follow-on trade/security cooperation.
- ▶ Parliamentary vote on referendum bill and opposition C64 coalition response.
- ▶ Timing and content of President Tshisekedi's national dialogue address.
- ▶ Release of 15 detainees by Kinshasa toward AFC/M23 and impact on conflict de-escalation.
- ▶ Rubaya mining displacement: government compensation response and mining operator accountability.
- ▶ M23/AFC military activity in eastern DRC and international mediation progress.

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