



Copper **\$14,215/t** ▼ **-1.6%** | Cobalt **\$34,620/t** → | Tin **\$50,150/t** ▼ **-2.7%** | Gold **\$4,060.40/oz** ▼ **-2.2%** |
Brent **\$113.17/bbl** ▲ **+4.0%** | CDF per USD **2,265** →

Market data — end-of-day close · LME cash settlement · LME/Fastmarkets Cobalt · COMEX front-month · ICE Brent front-month · BCC indicative rate · as of 22 Oct 2026.
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SITUATION MAP — EVENTS (LAST 24H)

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



- 1** UPDF-FARDC joint operations target three ADF commanders — Bunia
- 2** Five Mobondo militia members arrested in Mai-Ndombe — Kwamouth
- 3** Agriculture Minister faces parliamentary no-confidence motion — Kinshasa
- 4** Investigation opened into threats against Western nationals — Kinshasa
- 5** Five students killed by lightning strike in Tanganyika — Nyunzu

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

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

SECURITY & CONFLICT

UPDF and FARDC intensify joint operations against ADF in Ituri

ELEVATED

Uganda's military and the DRC armed forces held a joint security meeting at FARDC headquarters in Bunia on 22 October to intensify coordinated operations against the Allied Democratic Forces (ADF) in Ituri Province. UPDF Mountain Division Commander Maj Gen Stephen Mugerwa identified three senior ADF commanders—Abwakasi, Musa Baruku, and Mayor Ssebagala—as priority targets for capture or neutralization. Recent operations yielded one ADF fighter killed, recovery of a firearm and IED materials, and rescue of four abductees. FARDC Brig Gen Bonney acknowledged that joint operations have helped recover previously insurgent-occupied territories and allowed displaced communities to resume activities with fewer security disruptions.

REPORTED Chimp Reports

Five Mobondo militia members arrested in Mai-Ndombe

ELEVATED

FARDC arrested five Mobondo militia members in Kwamouth, Mai-Ndombe province on 22 October, suspected of involvement in an assassination that occurred on a Saturday (prior to the report date) in Vanga village, Mbutie. The detainees belong to the faction of refractaire militia chief Cobra and were reportedly deployed to attack customary chiefs installed by a rival faction formerly led by ex-chief Matondo, who has since joined the pacification commission. The five were transferred to Mbakana on the outskirts of Kinshasa. Village chief Kimomo Stany Libie called for enforcement operations against Cobra's faction, which continues to levy illegal taxes on farmers in the region.

REPORTED Actualite.cd

Five students killed by lightning strike in Tanganyika

GUARDED

Five students died on 22 October after being struck by lightning during a severe rainstorm at Institut Mulimba in Kisengo, Nyunzu territory, Tanganyika province. Multiple other persons were injured in the incident. Local civil society attributed the deaths to the lightning strike during heavy rain accompanied by thunder and lightning.

REPORTED Actualite.cd



PUBLIC HEALTH

Ebola outbreak rebounds in DRC amid cross-border spread

HIGH

The virus has spread to Nigeria, which confirmed its first case in over a decade on 3 October (a woman who travelled from Uganda), creating a more complex outbreak landscape across Africa. The Bundibugyo strain is circulating across multiple African countries.

REPORTED CGTN Africa · La Libre Belgique · Al Jazeera Arabic

US imposes new Ebola travel declaration for DRC

ELEVATED

The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced a new declaration requirement for all air passengers to the United States, effective 3 November 2026, requiring them to confirm they have not been in the DRC in the previous 21 days. The measure aims to prevent Ebola importation and builds on earlier travel restrictions introduced in May 2026 (preventing DRC visitors from boarding commercial flights to the US) and extended in July to US citizens. Airlines must ensure passenger compliance, and the CDC will brief major carriers on implementation on Friday. The announcement follows Nigeria's confirmation of its first Ebola case in over a decade on 3 October.

REPORTED Business Insider Africa

DRC-Congo-UNHCR tripartite closes refugee return session

GUARDED

The 6th tripartite session between the DRC, Republic of the Congo, and UNHCR on voluntary refugee returns to the DRC concluded on 22 October in Brazzaville after three days of work. DRC Vice-Prime Minister and Interior Minister Shabani Lukoo Bihango Jacquemain and Republic of the Congo Social Affairs Minister Irène Marie-Cécile Mboukou signed the final report and communiqué. The DRC government reaffirmed its commitment to encouraging voluntary returns of refugees and improving conditions for returnees.

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POLITICS & GOVERNMENT

Agriculture Minister faces no-confidence motion in parliament

ELEVATED

Agriculture Minister Muhindo Nzangi faced a no-confidence motion filed on 22 October by National Assembly Deputy Bolumbe Bakando, who alleged the minister failed to address her concerns during an oral question-and-debate session in plenary. Bakando cited a note from the President's chief of staff alerting the minister to an alleged diversion of 57 million US dollars prior to the parliamentary debate. She stated she had secured signatures from multiple colleagues to support the motion and called for an end to the 'hemorrhage' of funds, emphasizing that Nzangi, as a deputy himself, should set an example.

REPORTED 7sur7.cd

Investigation opened into threats against Western nationals in Kinshasa

ELEVATED

An investigation was opened on 22 October after a viral video showed Fils Mukoko, a ruling UDPS party member and director-general of Kinshasa's sanitation authority (RASKIN), threatening Western residents in the capital. Government spokesman Patrick Muyaya condemned the remarks as "absolutely horrific" and not representing the government. National Assembly President Aimé Boji stated the comments violated the Constitution and harmed DRC-Belgium relations. Mukoko was subsequently dismissed from his position.

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Prime Minister participates in women's leadership dialogue

GUARDED

Prime Minister Judith Suminwa Tuluka participated on 22 October in a high-level dialogue organized by the UDPS Women's League and the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) on the theme 'Women's Leadership and Governance: The Path to Excellence.' The event included the signing of a headquarters agreement between the DRC and FES and highlighted priorities including promotion of women's leadership and equal opportunity, increased women's participation in governance and peace processes, mobilization of women for the announced national dialogue, and preparation of concrete proposals on peace, justice, and related matters.

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POLITICS & DIPLOMACY

President Tshisekedi attends Luanda Biennial on water governance

GUARDED

President Félix-Antoine Tshisekedi arrived in Luanda, Angola on 22 October for the opening of the 4th Luanda Biennial, a pan-African high-level forum on peace and non-violence. The event, jointly organized by the Angolan government, African Union, and UNESCO, brought together numerous continental leaders around the theme 'Strengthening water governance in Africa as a lever for conflict prevention, mediation and resolution.' Tshisekedi advocated for equitable water governance as an instrument of peace and proposed expanding the 'African Coalition for Water Security,' which he had called for in July in N'Djamena, Chad, to include crisis prevention and mediation.

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ECONOMY & MACRO

PHC agro-industrial firm wins 2026 Model Employer award

GUARDED

Plantations et Huileries du Congo (PHC), an agro-industrial enterprise, received the 2026 National Model Employer award from the Ministry of Labour and Employment, recognizing its management of 12,000 direct employees under contract.

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ENERGY

Hydrocarbon minister pursues fuel supply security technology

GUARDED

Hydrocarbon Minister Acacia Bandubola Mbongo announced on 22 October a focus on innovative technology to secure fuel supply to Kinshasa, aiming to prevent supply tensions and address rising consumption.

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 MINING & EXTRACTIVES**Mining Ministry attends ITIE executive committee meeting**

GUARDED

Mining Minister Louis Watum Kabamba participated on 22 October in the 142nd ordinary meeting of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (ITIE) Executive Committee in Kinshasa, chaired by State Minister and Planning Minister Guylain Nyembo. Discussions covered implementation progress of the ITIE process in the DRC, development of transparency reports for the mining and forestry sectors, preparation for the country validation scheduled for 2026, and DRC's participation in the pre-conference and global conference.

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 WATCHLIST

- ▶ Monitor WHO and DRC Ministry of Health daily situation reports on Ebola case counts, geographic spread, and cross-border containment measures; track implementation of US CDC travel restrictions (effective 3 November) and any expansion to other countries.
- ▶ Monitor casualty figures and territorial gains from UPDF-FARDC joint operations; assess ADF response and any shift in attack patterns; track civilian displacement and humanitarian impact in Ituri.
- ▶ Monitor Cobra faction militia activity and response to arrests in Maï-Ndombe; assess effectiveness of disarmament and demobilization processes; track civilian protection measures.
- ▶ Monitor parliamentary vote on no-confidence motion against Agriculture Minister Muhindo Nzangi; track investigation into alleged 57 million dollar fund diversion; assess outcome and any ministerial changes.

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