Mao - I Would Never Take a Museveni Job

Nobert Mao has arguably been one of the most brilliant MPs among the current crop of politicians.

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Todwong - I'm Not Replacing Mbabazi

A diminished political status for Prime Minister and NRM Secretary General Amama Mbabazi within the ruling NRM has put a bright spotlight on new comer Richard Todwong, 41, the minister Without Portfolio in charge of political mobilisation.

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NRM MPs Can, Should Do Much Better Than This

National Resistance Movement MPs recently started constituency tours to, among other things, explain their resolution to exempt President Museveni from competition for the right to lead the party into the 2016 elections.

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The Anti-Homosexuality Bill

Sex, Politics and Religion in Uganda

By far the most high-profile international story to come out of Uganda of late has been the passing of the anti-homosexuality bill. When I came to Uganda I made a conscious decision not to write about it - other people could do it with greater in insight and expertise.

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Persecution of Gays Intensifies As Rights Groups Go Underground

As she sits in a Kampala hotel holding a mobile phone that rings frequently, Sandra Ntebi tells IPS: "I'm really exhausted. I don't know where to start. We
have many cases pending." Ntebi manages a hotline and is helping Uganda's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) community find alternative, safe accommodation after they have faced harassment.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404241253.html

Govt Responds to Pro-Gay Petition
In its defence filed in the Constitutional court yesterday, government rejected claims that the Anti-Homosexuality Act (AHA) contravenes the Constitution of Uganda.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404090194.html

Economy and Tourism

External Debt Hits U.S. $6.40 Billion
Uganda's external debt has jumped from $2.45bn in 2007 to $6.40bn as of December 2013, the 2014/15 national budget framework paper shows.
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Regional Leaders Agree to Set Up Oil Refinery in Uganda
Efforts by Uganda to build an oil refinery in Hoima, western Uganda have been boosted after Kenya and Rwanda agreed to support the venture as a regional project, an official from the Ministry of Infrastructure has revealed.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404141180.html

Agriculture, Forestry & Environment

Maize, Banana, Tea Exports Drop
It is a sweet-sounding lyrical phrase that Uganda is the food basket of the east African region.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404230325.html

Mineral-Rich Karamoja to Get Electricity
Karamoja sub-region, one of the areas in Uganda known to be heavily endowed with minerals, is to be connected to the national power grid, a development that could attract more investors to the region.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404220392.html

Land Minister Promotes Women's Land Rights With Help From World Bank
Uganda has received a $54 million loan from the World Bank to raise public awareness about land tenure, especially the rights of women to own land, Daudi Migereko, Uganda's Minister of Lands, Housing and Urban Development said on Monday.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201403260987.html

Regional Affairs

Rumble in the Belgian Bungle
Conflict in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), particularly in the eastern Kivu provinces, can be traced to its convoluted history of migration, citizenship and property rights.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404040651.html
South Sudanese, Who Are Again Refugees in Uganda, See No Reason to Ever Go Home
When Joseph Anyang Ngong took his family home from Uganda in 2005, he thought a safe and secure future lay before them in Sudan's Bor region. Now that his family are back in Uganda as refugees for a second time, he can see no reason to ever return to South Sudan.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404161544.html

Germany Pushes Human Rights
The German government’s commissioner for human rights tells DW he intends to address controversial topics on a trip to Africa, such as the rights of sexual minorities.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404180680.html

Local Affairs
Govt Votes to Provide Gender-Sensitive Reparations Fund
More than six years after the war in Uganda came to a formal end, the country has taken a landmark first step by unanimously adopting a resolution that opens the door to the country’s first gender-sensitive reparations fund.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404250474.html

Ugandans Trading in Fake HIV Results
Uganda was back in the international spotlight today - and in bad light.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404040119.html

The Lost Jews of Uganda
Before Israel was chosen as the Jewish homeland, Britain offered part of Uganda to Theodore Herzl's Zionist group in 1903. This did not eventuate but somehow a resilient Jewish community still came into existence on a dusty, hilltop town in Uganda. KIM HARRISBERG spent a Shabbat with the Abayudaya community.
http://allafrica.com/stories/201404151414.html

Arts, Education and Sports
Literary Postcard - Why Ugandan Pupils Are Better Than Kenyans in Poetry
Prof Peter Amuka is a leading literary scholar and folklorist. Recently he lamented that book reviewers concentrate on prose, and avoid poetry.
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Ugandan School Wins Microsoft Global Award
Gayaza High School, Uganda were declared winners by technology giants Microsoft for their idea on how to transform education using technology.
http://allafrica.com/stories/20140410289.html

We Shall Be Ready for Anyone, Says Micho As He Eyes Morocco 2015
As Africa eagerly awaits the preliminary round draw for the 30th Africa Cup of Nations Morocco 2015, Uganda coach Milutin Sredojevic "Micho" has set his sights on ending the country's long absence from the continental soccer showcase declaring that "The Cranes" will be ready for any team they will be pitted against.
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