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Mao makes U-turn on resignation; Mr Norbert Mao has said he will not resign his position as DP president despite promising to do so if the party did not get more MPs in the 11th Parliament. [Read More](#)

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US naval ship to boost safety in East Africa; America has deployed the first naval ship to Eastern Africa in over a decade to boost maritime security and allow freedom of navigation in the region. [Read More](#)

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Govt names team to advice on Covid-19 vaccine access; Government has constituted a 10-member committee to advise and support the national taskforce on Covid-19 on deployment and access of Covid-19 vaccine. [Read More](#)

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Rural energy enterprises view agriculture sector as high risk; a new study shows that lack of robust energy services in Africa's agriculture sector is a major obstacle to the sector's growth. [Read More](#)

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Tensions flare at IUIU Mbale; a somewhat not functional online learning platform called Academica ERP system has spurred concerns among students at Islamic University in Uganda (IUIU) main campus in Mbale. [Read More](#)

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Misused facemasks could cause more infections than they prevent; a section of the Ugandan public is wearing facemasks that no longer protect from the dangers of contracting COVID-19. Instead, the masks they are using are riskier than not using one mostly because of prolonged use and irregular washing. [Read More](#)

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Kyagulanyi threatens to withdraw petition; the former NUP presidential candidate, has threatened to withdraw his petition from the Supreme Court challenging the victory of his rival and incumbent President Museveni. Kyagulanyi said he has asked the party lawyers to make a formal application to the court laying down their demands that the court must obey or they withdraw their case. [Read More](#)

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BOU maintains credit relief for borrowers as COVID-19 effects persist; the Bank of Uganda has extended for six months effective April 1, 2021 the Credit Relief Measures that the banking industry offered their borrowers to help them overcome the impacts of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic on the economy. [Read More](#)

And finally; How WhatsApp's new privacy policy will affect businesses; have you seen a pop up of your new WhatsApp privacy policy on your phone screen? Was it an inconvenience? Did you simply 'accept the new rules'? Did you read through the policy? [Read More](#)

Today's scripture; **Proverbs 21:3**

ESKOMorning quote; "Quality means doing it right when no one is looking." By ~ Henry Ford

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