EIOS machine learning to detect disease article signals for WHO-AFRO

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Prerequisites

- 1. Install Tensorflow and AutoKeras using the instructions found here https://autokeras.com/install/.
- 2. Run the commands below to install other Python libraries.

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In [1]: !python3 -m pip install striprtf
    !python3 -m pip install scikit-learn
    !python3 -m pip install regex
    !python3 -m pip install --user -U nltk
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Create the training data

- The code belows assume that you exported from EIOS roughly equal numbers of articles previously labeled as sginals and articles not signals.
- The more representative your articles are of all types of articles you are looking for, the better.
- Articles will ideally come from different time periods, sources, be about different diseases, etc.
- Read in the data from the Doc files
- Note: They are actually not in MS Doc format. They are in RTF. So, we need the striprtf python library to convert RTF to TXT.
- The code assumes that for each set of documents, there are article signals in a directory named "signal" and articles that are not signals in a directory named "not_signal."
- Here, I also set the variable max_chars which will be used later to truncate the full text to the first 4,000 characters for model training. Longer text will cause memory issues unless you have a lot of GPU memory.

```
In [2]: import glob
        from datetime import datetime
        from striprtf.striprtf import rtf_to_text
        import pandas as pd
        # Below is the primary path to your training data. You should have "signal" and
        data path = '/mnt/h/My Drive/work/BrightWorldLabs/coreWork/consulting/2023/WHO-A
        dir signal = 'signal'
        dir_not_signal = 'not_signal'
        min_chars = 40 # if the article is less than this number of characters, I will
        max_chars = 4000 # used to truncate the article text because longer text causes
        max_words = 400 # not currently used
        # fields to parse. Some of these fields might be valuable to the model in the fu
        label_title = 'Title: '
        label_about_country = 'About country: '
        label_source = 'Source: '
        label_retrieval_date = 'Retrieval date: '
        label_source_type = 'Source type: '
        label from country = 'From country: '
        label_language = 'Language:
        label_summary = 'Summary: '
        label_full_text = 'Full text: '
        label_translated_text = 'Translated text: '
        article break = '(out of '
        articles = []
        article_columns = ['title', 'about_country', 'source', 'retrieval_date', 'source'
        # loop through all articles and parse them line by line using their labels to pl
        for f in glob.glob(data_path + '/**/' + '*.doc', recursive=True):
            with open(f, 'r', encoding="utf-8", errors='ignore') as file:
                rtf = file.read()
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text = rtf_to_text(rtf) # converts RTF format to plain text.
lines = text.split('\n')
title = ''
about_country = ''
source = ''
retrieval_date = ''
source_type = ''
from_country = ''
language = ''
summary = ''
full_text = ''
translated_text = ''
for line in lines:
    if article_break in line and '1(out of ' not in line:
        # the next two lines creates the article label for machine learn
        signal_type = 'signal'
        if dir_not_signal in f:
            signal_type = 'not_signal'
        article_arr = [
            title,
            about_country,
            source,
            retrieval_date.strftime('%s'),
            source_type,
            from_country,
            language,
            summary,
            full_text,
            translated_text,
            signal_type
        articles.append(article_arr)
        title = ''
        about_country = ''
        source = ''
        retrieval date = ''
        source_type = ''
        from_country = ''
        language = ''
        summary = ''
        full text = ''
        translated text = ''
    if label_title in line:
        title = line.replace(label_title, '')
    elif label_about_country in line:
        tmp_arr = line.split('|')
        about_country = tmp_arr[0].replace(label_about_country, '').stri
        source = tmp arr[1].replace(label source, '').strip()
    elif label_retrieval_date in line:
        retrieval_date = line.replace(label_retrieval_date, '').split('
        try:
            retrieval_date = datetime.strptime(retrieval_date + ' 2023',
        except ValueError as ve:
            retrieval date = datetime.now()
    elif label_source_type in line:
        tmp_arr = line.split('|')
        source_type = tmp_arr[0].replace(label_source_type, '').strip()
        from_country = tmp_arr[1].replace(label_from_country, '').strip(
        language = tmp_arr[2].replace(label_language, '')
    elif label_summary in line:
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summary = line.replace(label_summary, '')
                    elif label_full_text in line:
                        tmp_arr = line.split('|')
                         full_text = tmp_arr[0].replace(label_full_text, '')
                        if len(full_text) > min_chars:
                             full_text = full_text[:max_chars].encode(
                                 'utf-8', errors='ignore'
                                ).decode('utf-8')
                    elif label_translated_text in line:
                        tmp_arr = line.split('|')
                        translated_text = tmp_arr[0].replace(label_translated_text, '')
                        if len(translated_text) > min_chars:
                             translated_text = translated_text[:max_chars].encode(
                                 'utf-8', errors='ignore'
                                 ).decode('utf-8')
                if len(title) > 0:
                    signal_type = 'signal'
                    if dir_not_signal in f:
                         signal_type = 'not_signal'
                    article_arr = [
                        title,
                        about_country,
                        source,
                        retrieval_date.strftime('%s'),
                        source_type,
                        from_country,
                        language,
                        summary,
                        full_text,
                        translated_text,
                        signal_type
                    articles.append(article_arr)
        df = pd.DataFrame(articles, columns=article columns)
In [3]: df.drop_duplicates(subset=['full_text'], inplace=True)
In [4]: # if the full_text exists, use that for training. If not, use the translated_tex
        def set_final_text(row):
            if row['language'] == 'English':
                return row['full_text']
            else:
                return row['translated_text']
        df['final text'] = df.apply(lambda row: set final text(row), axis=1)
In [5]: df
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3	Naufrage d'un bateau au Nigeria : le bilan gri	Nigeria	Le Courrier du Vietnam	1686831480	General News	Viet Na
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917	Attentat contre un dortoir des lycéens en Ouga	Algeria, Uganda	APS: Alg@rie Presse Service	1687091880	General News	Alge
918	Norinco: Le Mali reçoit plus d'armes chinoises	Guinea, Mali	bamada	1687091820	Medical	N
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Downsample the not_signal class to match the number in the signal class.

- Typically for binary classification, it is best to have equal amounts for each class.
- Since I had more not signals, I downsampled the not signal class which means randomly removing articles until the amount matches.

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In [6]: df_final = df[df['final_text'] != ''] # drop those that are not in English and d
        df_signal = df_final[df_final['signal_type'] == 'signal']
        df_not_signal = df_final[df_final['signal_type'] == 'not_signal']
In [7]: print(len(df_signal))
        print(len(df_not_signal))
       144
      220
In [8]: from sklearn.utils import resample
        df_not_signal = resample(df_not_signal,
                                  replace=True,
                                  n_samples=len(df_signal),
                                  random_state=42)
In [9]: print(len(df_signal))
        print(len(df_not_signal))
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Train the model using AutoKeras **TextClassifier**

We will classify the documents as either signals or not signals. Import necessary libraries for machine learning.

```
In [10]: import logging
         import os
         logging.disable(logging.WARNING)
         os.environ['TF_CPP_MIN_LOG_LEVEL'] = '3'
         import numpy as np
         import tensorflow as tf
         tf.get_logger().setLevel('ERROR')
         from sklearn.model selection import train test split
         import autokeras as ak
```

Split the data for training and testing. The default is an 80/20 split.

```
In [11]: | train_data, test_data = train_test_split(pd.concat([df_signal, df_not_signal]))
```

Data Preprocessing

The libraries below contain puntuation and stopwords lists.

```
In [12]: import nltk
    nltk.download('punkt')
    nltk.download('stopwords')

[nltk_data] Downloading package punkt to /home/scottpez/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package punkt is already up-to-date!
[nltk_data] Downloading package stopwords to
[nltk_data] /home/scottpez/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package stopwords is already up-to-date!
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Out[12]: True

My preprocessing steps include:

- Removing non-utf characters like symbols.
- Removing punctuation.
- Removing stop words.
- Set the label for signals as 1 (positive) and not_signals as 0 (negative).

```
In [13]: import string
         s_words = nltk.corpus.stopwords.words("english")
         punc = string.punctuation
         punc += '',' + ''.' + '"' + '"'
         def remove_non_utf(txt):
             return txt.encode(
                 'utf-8', errors='ignore'
             ).decode('utf-8')
         def create_label(lbl):
             if lbl == 'signal':
                 return 1
             if lbl == 'not_signal':
                 return 0
         def remove_stop_words(txt):
             new_txt = ''
             word len = 0
             for sent in nltk.sent_tokenize(txt):
                 text_tokens = nltk.word_tokenize(sent)
                 tokens without sw = [word for word in text tokens if not word in s words
                 new_txt += ' '.join(tokens_without_sw) + '. '
                 word_len += len(tokens_without_sw)
                 if word_len >= max_words:
                     break
             return new_txt
         def remove_punctuation(txt):
            return "".join([w for w in txt if w not in punc])
```

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x_train = train_data['full_text']
 x_train = x_train.apply(remove_non_utf)
 x_train = x_train.apply(remove_stop_words)
 x_train = x_train.apply(remove_punctuation)
 y_train = train_data[article_columns[-1]].apply(create_label)
 x_test = test_data['full_text']
 x_test = x_test.apply(remove_non_utf)
 x_test = x_test.apply(remove_stop_words)
 x_test = x_test.apply(remove_punctuation)
 y_test = test_data[article_columns[-1]].apply(create_label)
 x_train = np.array(x_train)
 y_train = np.array(y_train)
 x_test = np.array(x_test)
 y_test = np.array(y_test)
 print(x_train.shape) # (25000,)
 print(y_train.shape) # (25000, 1)
 print(x_train[0])
 print(y_train[0])
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Load the data into AutoKeras

- Use AutoKeras's TextClassifier to fit the model with 5 epochs.
- With AutoML, the typical strategy is to first train with a small number of epochs allowing time for it to try lots of different model types.
- Plus, usuaully it does not take long to decide which model is best.
- Once we find the best model for the data, farther down we will train that model longer for better results.
- I have a Nvidia RTX Titan GPU with 24 GB of memory and the best model selection below takes 2-10 minutes.
- If you increase the max_trials or increase the epochs, it will obviously take longer.
- With more training data, it will train longer and the length of time will grow nonlinearly.
- Farther down, training the best model for longer took less time because it is only one model.
- The training time depends on your computer hardware and the amount of training data

Export the best performing model and try to train longer to obtain better results

- In the step above, we found the best model.
- Now, export that model to a standard Keras model.
- Train the best model longer.

Wall time: 2.62 s

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In [16]: best_model = clf.export_model()
    print(best_model.summary())
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I used EarlyStopping to prevent overfitting the model.

Depending on the training data split, it is training between 14-25 epochs before stopping.

It is training for approxiamately 5-10 minutes.

With more training data, it will train longer and the length of time will grow non-linearly.

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  Epoch 7/100
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  Epoch 8/100
  0.9815
  Epoch 9/100
  0.9722
  Epoch 10/100
  0.9676
  Epoch 11/100
  0.9907
  Epoch 12/100
  0.9954
  Epoch 13/100
  0.9537
  Epoch 14/100
  0.9769
  Epoch 15/100
  0.9769
  Epoch 16/100
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  Wall time: 36.2 s
Out[17]: <keras.callbacks.History at 0x7f891e3dd8d0>
  Evaluate the best model.
In [18]: print(best model.evaluate(x test, y test))
  3/3 [===========] - 0s 14ms/step - loss: 0.5996 - accuracy: 0.
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- Get the actual probability predictions so that I can use them to sort the results.
- Training the model can take a long time, however, once you have trained your model, using it to make predicitons is commonly much less time.
- Here, I am predicting about 90 articles and it only takes about 1-6 seconds.
- Similar to training the model, if you have more training data that takes longer time to train your model and your end model is larger, prediction time will be longer. But still much shorter than training time.

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ياوندي 10 فبراير شباط رويترز قالت وزارة الصحة في الكاميرون اليوم الجمعة إن السلطات قيدت الحرك'] لم على الحدود مع غينيا الاستوائية عقب عدة وفيات غامضة من حمى نزفيةوذكرت الوزارة في بيان أن القيود فرضت ذ ظرا لارتفاع مخاطر انتقال هذا الوباء إلى البلاد ومن أجل اكتشاف أي حالات والتعامل معها في مرحلة مبكرة وأضافت أنه يجري تحري الأمر وتم تعزيز الرقابة الوبائية بدعم من خبراء من منظمة الصحة العالمية ومركز أتلانتا لمكافحة الأمراض و الوقاية منهاوقالت غينيا الاستوائية في بيان يوم الأربعاء إنها سجلت حالة وبائية غريبة على مدى الأسابيع المنصرمة في م نطقة نسوك نسومو ومنطقة كينتيم تسببت في تسع وفياتوأصدرت وزارة الصحة الكاميرونية بيانا أمس الخميس تقول فيه إنها سجلت نحو 20 وفاة في قرى في منطقة كينتيم بغينيا الاستوائية، وهي منطقة متاخمة الكاميرون إعداد محمد أيسم النشرة , ' GPHINrelevance0968 العربية تحرير سها جادو

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['MANICALAND recently recorded seven suspected cholera cases amid disea se s current outbreak Malawi acting Provincial Medical Director Dr Munyaradzi Mukuzunga revealedDr Mukuzunga said suspected cases turned cholera samples test edHe said suspected cases previously reported Chiredzi BinduraTo prevent spread disease Dr Mukuzunga said Ministry Health Child Care put place capacitated sur veillance teams communities health facilities lookout diseaseHe said reporting

suspected cases proved surveillance teams task province able contain disease im ported country Malawi Malawi reported several cholera cases deaths It one cou ntries interact regularly We alert times comes disease This showed us teams t erms surveillance really task We positioned equipment like testing kits strate gic areas know high risks outbreaks disease saidHe encouraged people watch ch olera symptoms visit nearest health facilities soon develop symptoms Diarrhoea one major symptoms cholera encouraging one report nearest health facility Cho lera symptoms include watery diarrhoea frequent also associated vomiting caus es rapid dehydration loss energy It best receive medical assistance urgently m ake salt sugar solution use oral rehydration fluids saidDr Mukuzunga encourag ed rural areas engage village health workers orally rehydrating taking fluidsHe said cholera contracted eating food drinking water contaminated bacterium Vibri o cholera affect children adults causing severe diarrhoeaCholera kill within h ours left untreatedMalawi suspended opening schools major cities Lilongwe Blant yre following deadly cholera outbreak killed 19 people New Year's Day aloneThe outbreak far killed 650 people country outbreak reported March last yearThe Afr ica Centres Disease Control says concerned rise cholera deaths Malawi attribut es patients getting treatment timeGPHINrelevance0992 ',

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['Guinée équatoriale une fièvre hémorragique tue 20 personnes le Camer oun en état alertePublié le 10022023 à 13h58 par Arnaud Nicolas MawelPartager2 O personnes tuées par la fièvre hémorragique en Guinée équatoriale Frontière Ca merounGuinée équatorialeLes autorités administratives et sanitaires disent avoi r pris des dispositions et renforcé la surveillance épidémiologiqueSelon les au torités sanitaires du Cameroun il aurait eu 20 morts dans la journée du 08 fév rier 2023 dans certains villages de la province Kie Ntem en Guinée équatoriale Le ministre camerounais de la Santé publique parle de plusieurs décès inexpliqu é survenus depuis quelques semaines Les villages guinéens concernés sont limit rophes des districts de santé Ambam KyeOssi et Olamze dans la région du Sud C ameroun « Toutes les victimes sont décédées dans un tableau de fièvre hémorrag ique » précise le ministre camerounais Manaouda MalachieAu regard du risque i mportation de la maladie sur le territoire camerounais les autorités prennent des mesures « Les autorités administratives ont restreint les mouvements à tra vers la frontière CamerounGuinée équatoriale » informe le ministre de la Santé publique Le membre du gouvernement ajoute que son ministère en collaboration avec les sectorielles et l appui de l OMS et de CDC Atlanta initié plusieurs actionsCe sont entre autres « la conduite des investigations sectorielles dans les zones à risque ... le renforcement de la surveillance épidémiologique la densification des activités de sensibilisation et de mobilisation communautaire » assure le Dr Manaouda Malachie Il invite le personnel soignant à notifier i mmédiatement et à isoler tout cas suspect en évitant de les déplacerAux populat ions des localités concernées le ministre de la Santé exhorte de contacter le 1510 face à « tout décès dans ces localités toute personne présentant une hémo rragie de tout orifice naturel toute personne présentant une fatigue céphalée s fièvre » Est aussi recommandé le respect stricte des mesures hygiène comme « se laver régulièrement les mains à l eau propre coulante et au savon éviter le contact avec les fluides corporels des personnes malades compris les rappor ts sexuels non protégés éviter le contact avec les animaux sauvages malades o u trouvés morts laver les aliments et les consommer bien cuits et chauds » Le ministre invite les populations à ne pas alarmer face à la situation car le di spositif de surveillance et de riposte est en place et renforcéTags 20 morts ١,

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['La fièvre dengue gagne du terrain non seulement à Rodrigues mais aussi à Maurice Avec les premiers cas de cette infection virale causée par une piqûr e de moustique infectée Aedesmoustiques tigres aux humains détectés à Rodrig ues la propagation se fait sentir à Maurice Les statistiques épidémiologiques rendues publiques par le ministère de la Santé indiquent que depuis le 3 juin la situation établit comme suitMaurice 33 cas dont quatre importésRodrigues dont 33 ont été guérisÀ hier le ministère de la Santé confirme 22 cas acti

fs à Maurice et 14 à RodriguesÀ Maurice des patients de la fièvre dengue ont é té identifiés à GrandBaie BeauBassin BaieduTombeau RocheBois PetitRaffray LeHochet PortLouis RicheTerre Pamplemousses SainteCroix Lalmatie L Escal ier RivièredesCréoles Solitude Vacoas Goodlands et Troud EauDouceGPHINrele vance0981 ',

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ross provinces December 17216 cases reported five provinces declared measles ou tbreak namely Limpopo 110 cases Mpumalanga 64 cases North West 27 cases Gauteng 10 cases Free State 5 cases Measles spreads person person breathin g coughing sneezing Signs symptoms measles include rash high fever cough r unny nose red watery eyes People spread measles 4 days 4 days rash Measles lead serious complications pneumonia even deathGPHINrelevance0691 ',

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['The National Institute Communicable Diseases NICD reported confirmed case human rabies Limpopo Province December 2022The case involved 8yearold boy Mbokota Village Makhado Municipality Vhembe DistrictHe admitted hospital feve r confusion delirium trouble breathing hemiplegia On examination addition child oral ulcers thrush septic swelling lower lip swelling around eyes assoc iated discharge discharge ears Signs mild cerebral edema notedA reverse transc riptionpolymerase chain reaction RTPCR detected rabies virus RNA antemortem s aliva sample collected The details possible dogbite exposure still unknownAs 1 3 December 2022 total 13 laboratory confirmed human rabies cases reported South Africa These cases Eastern Cape n7 Limpopo n4 including case reported Kw aZuluNatal n2 provinces A six probable cases identified ie clinically epid emiologically keeping diagnosis rabies without laboratory confirmation These cases reported Eastern Cape Province n5 KwaZuluNatal Province n1 GPHINrelev ance0936 ',

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['At least 20 people admitted Ruiru level 5 hospital Kiambu County sympt oms cholera drinking contaminated water Christmas weekend Those hospitalized m ainly Gatongora Murera Kiratina Prison area far two people reported succumbed dreaded disease Medical staff facility declined talk journalists relatives vi ctims blamed outbreak contaminated water food Peter Mwaura resident Gatongora said problem began people area consumed water mixed sewage entered water taps D ecember 23 2022 He accused local water company discharging raw sewage Ruiru r iver exposing thousands consumers downstream possibility contracting cholera At least one person died cholera far something must done urgently check spread We asking Governor Wamatangi intervene Mwaura statedMary Njuguini hails Gaton gora said sister got sick drinking water neighbour developed diarrhoea vomiting She said charged Ksh5700 tests done hospital cover medicine buy chemistsRelativ es escort sick woman wards Ruiru level 5 hospital PHOTOOliver Musembi Another patient 45yearold Ruth Nabari said eaten food roadside vendor Murera Kwa Tom a rea Sunday started exhibiting diarrhoea vomiting according son Japheth BwireSo far 29 people Theta Murera areas said recovered far disease according Murera ward MCA Moses Ngatha An unknown number admitted Gachororo health centre ',

['Did know dangerous predator planet nt shark lion croc hippo It s m osquito With summer around corner families making plans spend December holida ys areas malaria occurs take look malaria protect children diseaseThe mosquito primary vector malaria serious sometimes fatal parasitic disease Mosquito pop ulations mosquitoborne diseases increased globally result global warming climat e changeWhile many South Africans unaware dangers malaria poses claims lives t ens thousands people year When comes statistics malaria kills people cancer experts estimating malaria kills million people worldwide yearWhat exactly malaria Malaria mosquitoborne infectious disease humans animals caused protozoans type unicellular microorganism parasite The disease typically spread bite infe

cted female mosquito introduces organisms saliva person circulatory system T he parasites mature reproduce liver entering bloodstreamMalaria symptoms appear 10 15 days bitten include fevers headaches vomiting sweating cold shivers body achesMalaria cases sometimes misdiagnosed symptoms closely resemble common flu If left untreated infection lead coma death severe casesWhich areas prone malaria Malaria primarily transmitted lowaltitude areas northeastern South Afr ica Mpumalanga including Kruger National Park northern KwaZuluNatal Maputala nd eastern northern parts Limpopo among highrisk areas Kosi Bay Sodwana Bay mediumrisk areas North West Province Northern Cape lowrisk Malaria transmissi on occurs seasonally South AfricaMalaria dangers babies young children pregna nt womenMalaria kills estimated 3 000 African children age five every day Howe ver exact number deaths unknown data unavailable many rural areas many cases undocumentedPregnant women especially vulnerable malaria pregnancy lowers woman immunity malaria making susceptable infectionMalaria also blame stillbirth pr eterm birth low birth weight babiesMalaria PreventionThere ABCD malaria preven tion Awareness Bite prevention Chemoprophylaxis taking antimalarial medicat ion exactly prescribed prompt Diagnosis treatmentDisease transmission reduced using mosquito nets insect repellents prevent mosquito bites using mosquitocont rol measures spraying insecticides draining standing water Despite need effec tive vaccine though efforts develop one ongoing Malaria prevention medication s available travellers malariaendemic countries Antimalarial medications avail able suffering diseaseHow prevent malariaPrevention better cure simple precaut ions help protect family malaria Make doctor appointment six weeks travellin g malariainfested areas take prescribed antimalaria medication When outdoors mosquitoinfested areas wear protective clothing long sleeves pants use mosqui to nets beds Nets lightweight tightly woven extremely effective keeping mosq uitos away tent bed night ',

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group 59 years 118 cases 41 followed 14 years 28 10to14 years 15 The worsthit Limpopo 128 cases Others North West Gauteng Mpumalanga Free StateM easles highly contagious disease caused virus Patients present fever rash small red flat spots They form blisters itchy painful Other signs include cough red eyes running nose said NICDPrevention control vaccination It never late vaccinate — free charge primary health services TimesLIVEGPHINrelevance0969',

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iming determine presence food poisoning The authorities actively investigating incident affected family receiving comprehensive assistance cope heartwrenching situation ',

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sday Reuters reporter scene said Friday Torrential rain fell Congo South Kiv u province caused river overflow led significant damage loss life villages Bush ushu Nyamukubi provincial government said statement Thursday without providing death toll A Reuters reporter Bushushu saw humanitarian workers recovering bod ies debris Friday counted least 72 bodies many women children Local administr ator Thomas Bakenga said Thursday night least 17 people killed floods around 40 people missing Reporting Crispin KyalaWriting Sofia ChristensenEditing Alexan der Winning ',

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['Kigali May 3 UrduPoint Pakistan Point News 3rd May 2023 At leas t 109 people died flooding northern western staterun Rwanda Broadcasting Agenc y RBA said quoting figures local authorities. The rain fell last night caus ed disaster Northern Western Provinces. RBA said website. It said 95 people perished hardest hit Western Province another 14 Northern Province adding floodwaters swept away homes infrastructure led closures.',

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['A former top security chief Nigeria retired Commissioner Police Lagos State Alhaji Abubakar Tsav stated routine posting officers Nigerian Army profe ssional strategy aimed reinvigorating military operation He said interview sel ect journalists country wake recent reposting military commanders across countr y Nigerian ArmyCP Abubabar Tsav rtd stated standard security formations regu lar postings reposting ensure cases familiarity complicity reduced barest minim It standard practice officers stay particular command long period reduce i ncidences familiarity complicity criminal elements locations If look operation s Nigerian Police security agencies would realize always postings reposting wa y reinvigorating operations maximum efficiency He stated postings security sec tor purely professional purposes witchhunting would want believe People must understand sensitivity operations security operatives It far different conven tional practice civil public service Here dealing protection human lives prope room sentiments Nigerians must come terms fact whenever security agenc ies carry routine postings purely operational reasons nothing more When asked redeployment Major General Olusegun Adeniyi theatre operations NorthEast Nigeri a connected recent conduct posted videos troops operations northeast stated no thing would case Nigerian Army Lt Gen Tukur Buratai evolved professionally acti ve fighting force I tell free us security sector understand dynamics involved warfare We also follow security issues carefully I tell redeployment Major Ge neral Olusegun Adeniyi nothing videos went viral social media space igerian Army today evolved past stage people insinuating Not man like Lt Gen T ukur Buratai statesman core It must noted sensitivity northeast operation req uires Chief Army Staff carries holistic review frontline commanders performance s whole one rare attempt showcase oneself world war Commander One need top ec helon Nigerian Army know Lt Gen Tukur Buratai given opportunity would promote Major General Olusegun Adeniyi officer excellent job So must understood redepl oyment routine line operations Nigerian Army operation NorthEast Nigeria Boko Haram war one Nigerian Army would play gallery It asymmetric war room pe rsonal selfish pursuit The overarching objective remains best interest country officers soldiers Nigerian Army Therefore I strongly believe posting nothing r ecent actions overall wellbeing Nigerian Army interest state On war insurgency Tsav stated less time Nigerian troops would cause celebrated citizens troops c am group began violent campaign Nigeria never time like morale fighting troops b',

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['Copyright 2023 The Associated Press All rights reserved The coffins Florence Masika son Zakayo Masereka killed suspected rebels retreated Saturday s attack Lhubiriha Secondary School carried burial Nyabugando Uganda Sunday June 18 2023 A bereaved Ugandan border town Sunday began burying victims brut al attack suspected extremist rebels left least 42 people dead students secur ity forces stepped patrols along frontier volatile eastern Congo AP PhotoHaja rah Nalwadda KAMPALA - A bereaved Ugandan border town Sunday began burying vic tims brutal attack school suspected extremist rebels left 42 people dead stude nts security forces stepped patrols along frontier volatile eastern Congo One eight people wounded Friday night s attack 38 students killed died overnight said Selevest Mapoze mayor town MpondweLhubiriha Most relatives come take bo dies morgue said In addition 38 students victims include school guard three civilians At least two members family buried Sunday Some students burned be yond recognition others shot hacked death militants armed guns machetes attack ed Lhubiriha Secondary School coed privately owned located 2 kilometers mile Congo border Ugandan authorities believe least six students abducted taken po

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['KAMPALA June 18 Reuters Uganda's President Yoweri Museveni Sunday ordered troops western Uganda attackers group links Islamic State killed least 37 secondary school students Members rebel Allied Democratic Forces ADF kill ed students late Friday Lhubirira Secondary School Mpondwe near border Democratic Republic CongoMilitary police said attackers also abducted six students fled towards Virunga National Park across border Their fate unknown Museveni said soldiers joined pursuit area includes Rwenzori Mountain ADF launched insurgency Museveni 1990s We sending troops area south Rwenzori Mountain said statement Their action desperate cowardly terrorist action therefore save We bringing new forces Uganda side continue hunting Congo side On Saturday p

rivately owned NTV Uganda television said death toll stood 41 staterun New Vision newspaper said 42 New Vision said 39 dead students killed attackers set b omb fled The attack drew widespread international condemnation including Unite d Nations African Union East African s Intergovernmental Authority Development Ugandans shocked attack Parents across country please panic children safe remain safe They evil people trying harm children manage Janet Museveni Fi rst Lady Education Minister said late Saturday Museveni said government would also investigate lapses enabled attack happen Was alarm sounded How nearby s ecurity people respond Why people Congo side intelligence splinter group etc Museveni said The ADF largely defeated Ugandan military remnants fled vast jun gles eastern Congo since maintained insurgency attacking civilian military tar gets Congo Uganda In April ADF attacked village eastern Democratic Republic C ongo killing least 20 people ',

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['failed rebellion The Wagner Group brutalizes civilians Central Africa n Republic Mali elsewhere crush dissent fend threats leaders power In exchan ge Russia gains access natural resources ports weapons shipped receives payme nts enrich Kremlin help fund operations elsewhere including war Ukraine Neith er Russia African leaders dependent Wagner fighters interest ending relationsh ips But many questions linger aftermath Wagner stunning revolt lead thousand s fighters stationed across many African nations whether Moscow absorb fighters Russian army The situation extremely volatile said Nathalia Dukhan senior i nvestigator The Sentry USbased policy organization published investigative rep ort Tuesday accusing Wagner carrying various humanrights abuses African countri But learnt investigating analyzing Wagner Africa past 5 years group resili ent creative fearless predatory less likely Wagner empire instantly fall lik e house cards Beyond financial rewards Putin also sought use Wagner fighters help expand Russia presence Middle East Africa He seeks security alliances au tocrats coup leaders others spurned neglected US Europe either bloody abuses competing Western strategic interests Asked whether Wagner weekend mutiny cou ld erode Russia positions Africa Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov told staterun TV network security assistance African countries would continue He sp ecifically mentioned Central African Republic Mali noted Russian government of ficials maintained contact leaders thereLavrov told RT seen sign panic sign ch ange African nations revolt Moscow But amid uncertainty least confusion exac tly comes next In Mali least 1000 Wagner fighters replaced French troops brou ght fight Islamic extremists US alleges Kremlin uses country waystation arms s hipments Russian forces Ukraine But Malian government denied using Wagner purp ose training An officer Malian Air Force spoke condition anonymity unauthorize d comment publicly said Russian fighters play important combat role At moment enough pilots military aircraft combat helicopters flown Wagner men If Russi a asks Malian government stop cooperating Wagner obliged greater interest Ru ssian government Wagner officer said As part deal end rebellion Putin prese nted Wagner fighters three options either join Russian military go Belarus li ke Prigozhin return home It clear options also applied Wagner fighters Africa In Central African Republic statue capital Bangui pays tribute Russian merce naries helped keep President FaustinArchange Touadera power ',

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onREAD ALSO Mr Kamara said Twitter live bullets fired office inside party head quarters https twittercomsamurakamara201status1673045382668902402 ti2KB76PL Z8qcBhlBlQIBMA amp s19 But police statement said members APC paraded Freetow announcing public election The Office National Security earlier warned par ty members declaring result elections said lies electoral umpire On Tuesday European Union Election Observation Mission EOM Sierra Leone preliminary obse rvation report stated Voters commitment democratic process challenged viole nce lack transparency critical stages elections EU EOM preliminary observation s concludes Voters commitment democratic process challenged violence lack tr ansparency critical stages elections Full text EU EOM Sierra Leone 2023 eoms12023 June 27 2023 Support PREMIUM TIMES journalism integrity credibilit yGood journalism costs lot money Yet good journalism ensure possibility good s ociety accountable democracy transparent governmentOladeinde Olawoyin reports Business amp Economy Development Lagos Metro PREMIUM TIMES A First Class gr aduate Mass Communication University Ilorin Ilorin nominated journalism categ ory The Future Awards Africa 2017 Aside maintaining column titled SATURDAY SA also writes art culture pieces weekends Twitter TIRE Oladeinde ',

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['PROTECTING THE SAHEL AND BEYOND HOW SAFEGUARDING AGAINST CORRUPTION C OULD MAKE THE GREAT GREEN WALL A REALITY In world grappling environmental thre ats Great Green Wall Sahara Sahel Initiative GGWI emerged African solution b uild sustainable future across vast Sahel region Launched 2007 initiative sou ght provide green shield advancing desert preserve fertile land agriculture str engthen climate resilience across area directly Sahara spanning Senegal Mauri tania Mali Burkina Faso Niger Nigeria Chad Sudan Eritrea Ethiopia Djibo uti Aiming strike delicate balance ecological restoration protection basic hum an rights tangible benefits millions people across region would include increa sed food security enhanced access vital natural resources job opportunities l and management restoration efforts Today initiative traverses immense expanse African continent thirty countries multiple organisations involved Its structu re designed comprehensive inclusive inherent complexities given mammoth scale Despite commitment good governance GGWI experienced critical implementation co ordination challenges For initiative carried successfully effective implement ation require transparency accountability increased participation civil socie ty organisations wider community What GGWI purpose governance structure The GGWI conceived response challenges desertification poverty food insecurity Af rica s Sahel region Ultimately GGWI aims restore 100 million hectares degrade d land create 10 million jobs sequester 250 million tonnes carbon 2030 using i ntegrated land management approach The African Union AU launched initiative 2007 continues oversee project received backing various organisations includi ng United Nations World Bank several donor countries The initiative spread ev ery geographical region African continent thirty countries engaged various stag es implementation The Pan African Agency Great Green Wall PAAGGW created 201 O coordinate monitor implementation GGWI mobilise necessary resources together AU 11 countries directly Sahara wall span These 11 countries created national agencies focal points supervise coordinate implementation national GGWI priorit y actions These agencies work closely local communities nongovernmental organ isations stakeholders At community level local organisations groups involved farmers indigenous communities Their involvement crucial valuable knowledge ex perience local environment In 2021 world leaders One Planet summit launched G reat Green Wall GGW Accelerator hosted United Nations Convention Combat Dese aims support PAAGGW increase speed GGWI deliver results T rtification UNCCD his includes adopting structured approach implementation scaling successful in itiatives harmonising impact measurement reporting better integrating private sector civil society research innovation GGWI efforts ',

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ting forests farmers Switzerlandbased Barry Callebaut also biggest chocolate maker world estimated produce fifth company cocoa beans In recent times foc using infusing sustainability cocoa supply chain Ivory Coast West African coas t The Straits Times April went plantations Ivory Coast capital Abidjan provide cocoa gets transformed finest Barry Callebaut chocolate productsThe Swiss cocoa giant operates 45 countries employs global workforce 13000 people generates sa les 81 billion Swiss francs S 121 billion annually The appetite chocolate A sia grown past decade cocoa businesses grinding 904094 tonnes cocoa 2022 6066 22 tonnes 2012 according Cocoa Association Asia But nonprofit groups raised c oncerns cost poor communities global South including Ghana Ivory Coast farm p opular ingredient forests cleared cocoa monocultureIn May Barry Callebaut ref ined postponed targets make chocolate sustainable 2025 felt time needed - 2030 - systemic change take place Mr Nicolas Mounard Barry Callebaut vicepresident sustainability farming told media April 27 company needs five years ensure ing redients come sustainable sources - contribute deforestation whose products tra ced farm produced Sustainable ingredients expected make 75 per cent production 2025 said Mr Mounard He added company working European Union meet sweeping an tideforestation law approved AprilUnder law listed goods including cocoa sol d come deforested land contributed forest degradation Dec 31 2020 This aligns Barry Callebaut efforts map entire supply chain ensure cocoa traced plantation s encroach virgin forests The Straits Times given demonstration farm boundari es Tiassale 140km Abidjan monitored using satellite data app The app alert f irm whenever change farm boundaries results decrease forest coverOther efforts focused improving farmers livelihoods greater yields Barry Callebaut expectin g hit original target raising 2025 incomes 500000 cocoa farmers poverty Farmer Noel N Dri Yao 53 owns plantation Tiassale said support Barry Callebaut hel ped produce 420kg beans bulk cocoa harvested Three years ago joined cooperati ve Barry Callebaut works produced 300kg beans He earns living cocoa farming like nearly quarter Ivory Coast population according data compiled state regul ator CoffeeCocoa Council As member cooperative Mr N Dri Yao gets insecticide subsidised fertiliser help labour groups employed chocolate maker prune fractio n trees ',

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The department appeal s general public maintain strict compliance personal hygiene especially food p reparations social gatherings funeral services Blue Drop reportThe cholera d eaths Gauteng Free State Mpumalanga symptomatic widespread collapse water sani tation infrastructureAccording Department Water Sanitation s Blue Drop Watch Re port released 6 June drinking water areas Hammanskraal Parys Phake contaminat ed faecal bacteria E coliThe source outbreak still yet identified however dep artment stated pollution Apies River Rooiwal sewage treatment plants likely cau se cholera outbreak HammanskraalREAD MORE SA s drinking water quality dropped due defective infrastructure neglectLast month City Tshwane announced would a llocate R450 million next three years complete first phase upgrades Rooiwal wat er plantAt least R25 billion needed second phase projectThe Rooiwal system rele ases water Leeuwkraal Dam extracted Temba Water Treatment Works distributed ho useholds HammanskraalIn addition city also revealed looking provide financial assistance families died choleraGPHINrelevance0989 ',

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