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The mission of the Head of State HE Evariste in Egypt was beneficial, not only for Burundi, but also for the region



n wednesday, november 9, 2022, the President of the Republic His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye, accompanied by the First Lady of the country, returned from a working mission to the Arab Republic of Egypt, where he had taken part in the activities of the Summit of United Nations on Climate Change, COP-27.

In a lively press briefing upon his arrival at Melchior Ndadaye International Airport in Bujumbura, His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye said that the mission was crowned with success for Burundi and for the region, given that on the sidelines of activities of the COP-27, he had the opportunity to discuss with several regional and international leaders, on issues of common interest.

Regarding the activities of COP-27, His

Excellency Évariste Ndayishimiye indicated that Burundi learned several lessons especially that it still needs to take another step to deal with the consequences of climate change.

Returning to the national environmental project "Ewe Burundi Uram-

baye", he regrets that there are still people who have not yet understood the importance of the said project and others who do not want to carry it out. Burundian Number One takes the opportunity to launch a vibrant appeal to all citizens to avoid bushfires, and to the administrative authorities and the population to combine their efforts to protect the environment.

Regarding the regional situation, the current President of the EAC, His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye stressed the urgency of addressing the security crisis in eastern DRC. In this regard, His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye indicates that he had the opportunity to bring together in consultation the Heads of State of the East African Community on the security situation in the East of the DRC, a meeting which was held with the aim

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of seeing what could be a lasting solution to this crisis. His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye urges all countries to contribute to the peace efforts initiated by the Democratic Republic of Congo and the Region. The beginning of the dialogue session is scheduled for November 16, 2022 in Nairobi, Kenya.

The stay of the Burundian President in the Arab Republic of Egypt was also an opportunity for him to meet, in addition to his counterparts from the EAC, the Presidents of South Africa and that of Zimbabwe, the President of the European Council as well as the Secretary General of the UN Antonio Guterres who encourages Burundi for its step taken in terms of socio-economic development, and especially on its role in restoring the political and security situation in the DRC.

Finally, in his meeting with his counterpart from the host country, His Excellency Abdel Fattah Al-Sissi, the President of the Republic of Burundi His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye said that they discussed ways and means to strengthen the ties of friendship and bilateral cooperation. As such, the Arab Republic of Egypt agrees to build and equip the Embassy of Burundi in this country. (www.presidence.bi)

During COP27, President Evariste Ndayishimiye pleaded for the creation of innovative financial mechanisms adapted to the regional context



n tuesday november 8, 2022, the 27th Conference of Parties, COP 27 was held in Sharm El Sheikh, Republic of Egypt. Burundi was represented by the Head of State, His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye.

In his speech, the President of the Republic Evariste Ndayishimiye indicated that the funding for the implementation of the National Determined Contribution (CDN) in Burundi is largely insufficient to finance the desired changes. They are fragmented and deployed in silos by a multitude of international agencies with no real long-term effects for communities and Burundi's resilience to climate change.

"What matters today for Burundi is to take up the challenge of restoring its level of forest cover and combating the permanent degradation of these forests while meeting food security needs and the legitimate aspirations of its agricultural development. and industrial," he said, adding that this requires producing more food and wood on existing land to reduce the demand for new land that is simply not available. According to the Burundian Number One, his country therefore wants to stimulate investment in solutions at scale, by investing in models that have been tested and are ready to be replicated to have a real transformational impact.

"Now is not the time to fund pilot projects but to immediately accelerate large-scale deployment," he suggested. President Ndayishimiye has also indicated that there are huge development dividends in engaging in more intensive and labor-intensive commodity production and processing. This objective is all the more important today given the growing interest in the link between stability, food security, climate change and biodiversity, sparked by extreme climatic events, the war in Ukraine and the growing needs of international markets for certified products without deforestation, he continued.

"Among the solutions put forward are sovereign bond issues to finance portfolios of projects meeting predefined criteria through long-term loans at low interest rates and performance-based payments such as payment for environmental services (PES)", said the Burundian Head of State, who ended by calling on United Nations agencies and international financial institutions to design this type of innovative financial mechanism such as forest performance bonds (FPB) adapted to the regional context and level of risk perceived by capital markets.

These mechanisms must combine green bond market mechanisms with large-scale financial guarantees and results-based payment models that fall within the framework set by the UNFCC, he concluded. (www.presidence.bi)

The Prime Minister receives in audience great personalities



n monday november 7, 2022, the Prime Minister Lieutenant General of Police Gervais Ndirakobuca received in audience six Ambassadors namely: the EU Ambassador to Burundi, Tanzania, Italy, Algeria, Egypt and Nigeria. He also received in audience the Apostolic Nuncio in Burundi, the President of the National Social Dialogue Committee (CNDS) His Excellency Sylvestre Ntibantunganya and the Principal Counselor at the Turkish Embassy. In audience with the EU Ambassador to Burundi, their exchanges focused on the elements of deepening relations between Burundi and the European Union. The European Union Ambassador to Burundi Mr. Claude Bochu said that to extend these exchanges, they wanted to have sectoral dialogues where the Government of Burundi has major priorities. He added that the European Unionalso has the ambition to contribute in the areas of justice, energy, agriculture and the environment.

The Tanzanian Ambassador to Burundi for his part encouraged the Government of Burundi for its vision. He was accompanied by the Managing Director of the CRDB bank and announced that in a few days, this bank intends to facilitate investors including traders operating in Burundi who will pay for their goods in Bujumbura and will go to Dar es Salaam to recover them already paid.

Regarding the Apostolic Nuncio in Burundi His Excellency Dieudonné Datonou, he promised the support of the Holy See to the Government of Burundi. He also announced that in february 2023, on the occasion of the celebration of 60 years of cooperation between Burundi and the Holy See, a high delegation will come to Burundi to celebrate this great event.

In audience with the President of the CNDS, His Excellency Sylvestre Ntibantunganya who had come to discuss with the Prime Minister on the achievements already made in the missions of this committee, he spoke of the constraints encountered but also of the prospects. The Prime Minister encouraged this committee to always be at the side of employees and employers.

With the Ambassador of Italy, discussions focused on Italian development cooperation working in Burundi, including the tomato conservation project. This project has begun to bring improved seeds to Burundi and intends to extend and distribute these seeds to all agricultural cooperatives with a view to multiplying them. (www. rtnb.bi)

The Prime Minister calls on the administrative authorities to fight against fraud and corruption



tuesday november 08, 2022, the Prime Minister Lieutenant

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General of Police Gervais Ndirakobuca paid a visit to the province of Ngozi where he met in the capital of the province, administrative officials, military, police, representatives of the population, representatives of political parties, religious denominations, civil society, trade unions, cooperatives, traders from Ngozi province. The objective of the meeting is the evaluation of the situation in relation to the development of the country

In his welcoming address, the Governor of Ngozi province indicated that his province is characterized by peace and security and that the population is quietly going about their development work. He said that the provincial authorities are at work in the fight against fraud, prohibited drinks etc.

In his speech, Prime Minister Lieutenant General of Police Gervais Ndirakobuca thanked the population in general and the Governor in particular of Ngozi province who are doing their best to ensure peace and security. He asked officials in the various sectors, both public and private, to fight against fraud, corruption, embezzlement of public property, injustice.

The Prime Minister also invited them to establish good governance and democracy in the country. He also invited the administrators to sensitize the population on development work in order to eradicate poverty in the country so that every mouth has food and every pocket money as the President of the Republic wishes. (www. rtnb.bi)

Prime Minister visits Karusi province



private sectors, political and religious leaders, the Prime Minister said that the purpose of this meeting was to make a selfassessment of the stage already taken in development, deux years after the establishment of the new institutions resulting from the general elections of 2020.

It was also a question for the Prime Minister to explain what responsible and hard-working Government means as well as its missions which are, among

he Prime Minister Lieutenant General of Police Gervais Ndirakobuca continues his visit to the various provinces of the country. On Thursday, November 10, 2022, he was in Karusi province where he was warmly welcomed by the population with traditional songs and dances.

The Governor of Karusi province Mrs. Dévote Nizigiyimana told the Prime Minister in his welcoming address that the population of Karusi province lives in peace and goes about their daily work normally. Nevertheless, she deplores the dysfunction of the judicial sector due to the lack of operating resources.

In his speech, Prime Minister Lieutenant General of Police Gervais Ndirakobuca first congratulated the Governor of Karusi on her appointment as head of Karusi province and wished her every success in her new duties.

In this meeting with officials from the various public and

other things, the improvement of the well-being of the population without discrimination, for a sustainable and inclusive development.

Officials and representatives of the population of Karusi province had the opportunity to submit their grievances and concerns to the Prime Minister. In particular, they indicated that the population is faced with soaring food prices, the scarcity of rains and the unavailability of Brarudi products.

The population of Karusi province would like to have a public university. It also calls for the rehabilitation of inter -municipal roads which are in poor condition and the sale of broken down vehicles located in front of the offices of the province and that the funds be put in the public treasury. (www. rtnb.bi)

Lifeway Company contributes to the development of the livestock sector



n tuesday november 8, 2022, the Lifeway Company represented by Mr. Prosper Ndangamira in collaboration with the Ministry in charge of livestock held a meeting in Buringa in Commune Gihanga, for the various actors in the field of breeding. The theme chosen for this meeting is "partnership and investment of the private sector in livestock farming in Burundi: challenges and opportunities." Partners from the Netherlands and Kenya took part in these activities.

According to Mr. Prosper Ndangamira, director of Lifeway, this company has 5 components, namely: green Farm, a modern breeding farm with more than 650 cows, Nobilis Pharma: a wholesale veterinary pharmacy, Sunway: a regional training and capacity building of the various stakeholders in the livestock sector; seasky: a modern dairy and Foseco: a livestock feed processing unit.

The Director of Lifeway indicated that the Buringa

farm has been in existence for more than ten years and practices artificial insemination and embryo transfer.

The Assistant to the Minister in charge of Livestock Mr. Emmanuel Ndorimana who represented the Government in these activities welcomed the initiative of the groupLlifeway which supports the Government in the implementation of the food selfsufficiency policy of the population. He added that these initiatives are to be encouraged and recommends others to follow suit.

As indicated by Mr. Emmanuel Ndorimana, this project comes in response to the call launched by the Head of State His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye in his policy of socio-economic development of the Country so that each mouth has something to eat and each pocket has money.

With regard to the wholesale veterinary pharmacy, it will allow the creation of pharmacies of quality products which will be distributed to breeders in order to contribute to the improvement of the state of health of farm animals, specified Mr. Emmanuel Ndorimana.

As for the responsible and hard-working Government, through the Ministry in charge of livestock, it will spare no effort to encourage and support any private investor in the various sectors, including livestock.

During the presentations, it was noted that the livestock sector in Burundi faces certain challenges including the absence of a balanced diet for livestock, the insufficiency of certain medicines for livestock and few veterinarians. (www.rtnb.bi)

Towards the rehabilitation of the widows of the crisis of 1972



n tuesday november 8, 2022, the office of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (CVR) orga-

nized in the political capital Gitega, a meeting for

representatives of the women's forum at the national level and at the level of the country's provinces, a meeting which focused on a few dates in the tragic history of Burundi.

It was a question of presenting to the women's Administrative Assembly the missions of the CVR, the achievements to its credit as well as the prospects for the future. The performance of the national women's forum was followed by a documentary film which recounts the tragic events of 1972. The representatives of the women's forum had the opportunity to learn about the realities hitherto hidden according to Pierre Claver, on the crimes ignoble, perpetrated during the years 1960-1972, the realities hidden because imprescriptible, he insisted.

In his speech for the occasion, the President of the CVR, Ambassador Pierre Claver Ndayicariye recalled that Burundi has always fallen into cycles of violence because of crimes that have gone unpunished. "And the truth about the tragedies that have bereaved Burundi must be established to be brought to the collective memory", insisted the president of the CVR.

Ambassador Pierre Claver Ndayicariye took this opportunity to urge the women gathered in the national women's forum to never instill in their children divisionist ideas based on ethnic groups, clans, regions or religions. He asked them to rather be actors of reconciliation in their households, in their surroundings, in their workplaces and throughout the country. The participants in this meeting had answers to the various questions they asked, questions of light on the macabre events that have marked the history of the country. The President of the CVR also started that the planners, authors and executors of the 1972 killings have already been identified and that this commission is relying on transitional justice to try to heal the collective memory.

In terms of prospects, the President of the CVR indicated that this commission plans to organize public hearings and hearings behind closed doors to allow victims and perpetrators to forgive themselves. And to invite the members of the national women's forum to establish the list of widows of 1972 on all the hills of the country so that they are rehabilitated.

Finally, Ambassador Pierre Claver Ndayicariye said that in order to establish an effective reconciliation, monuments of memory and reconciliation will be erected and that a day dedicated to the victims will be instituted. (www.rtnb.bi)

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