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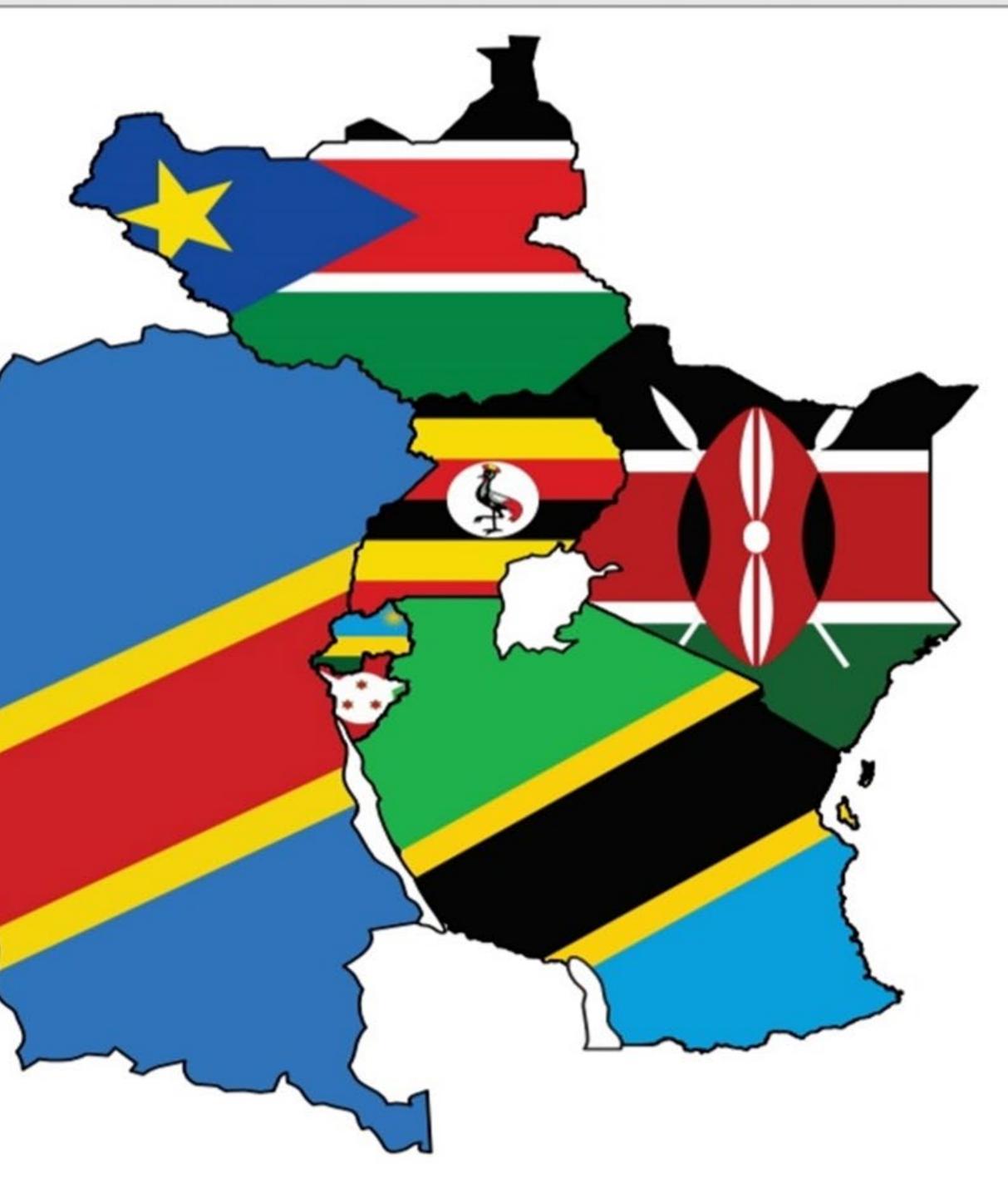
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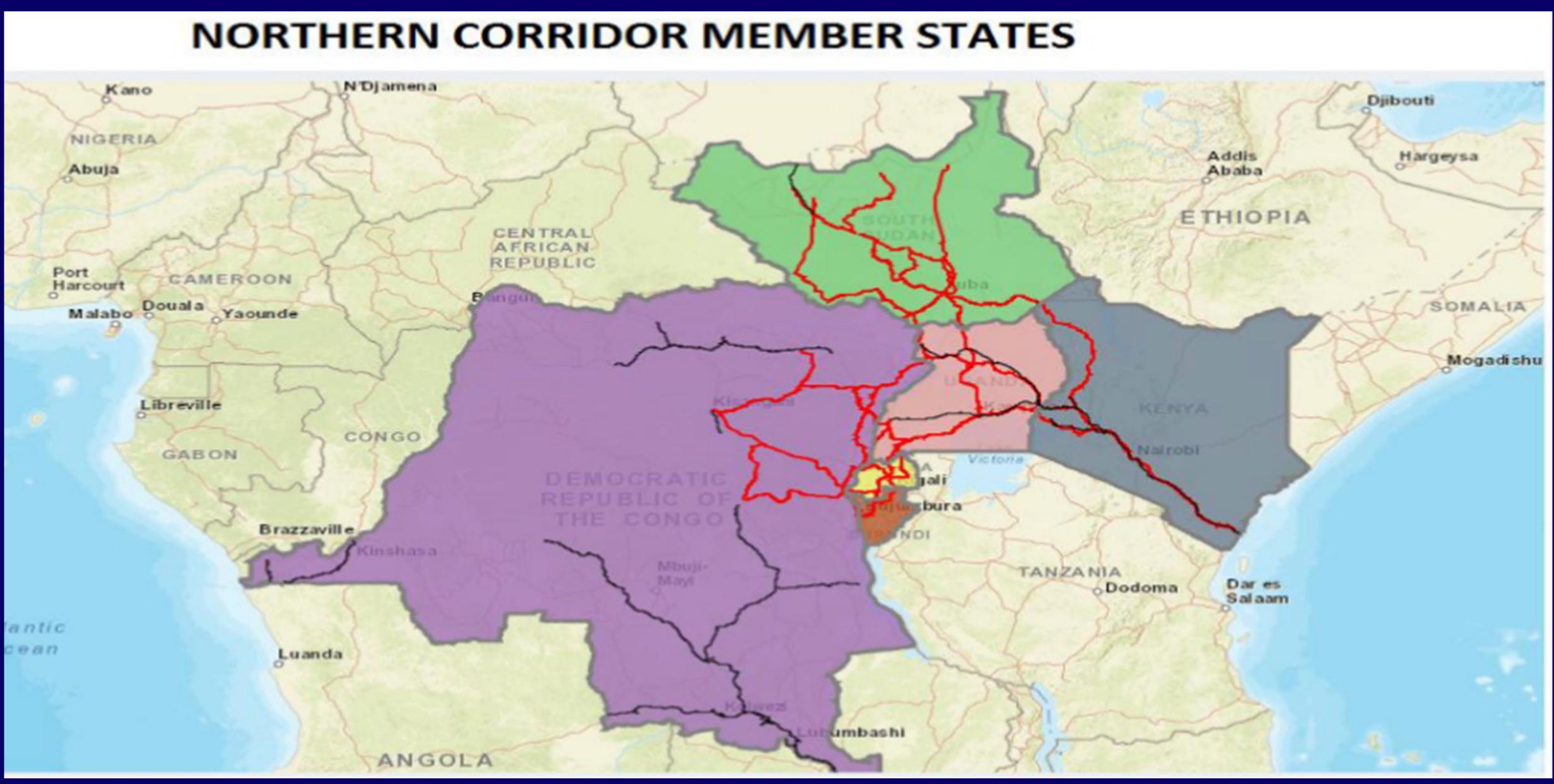


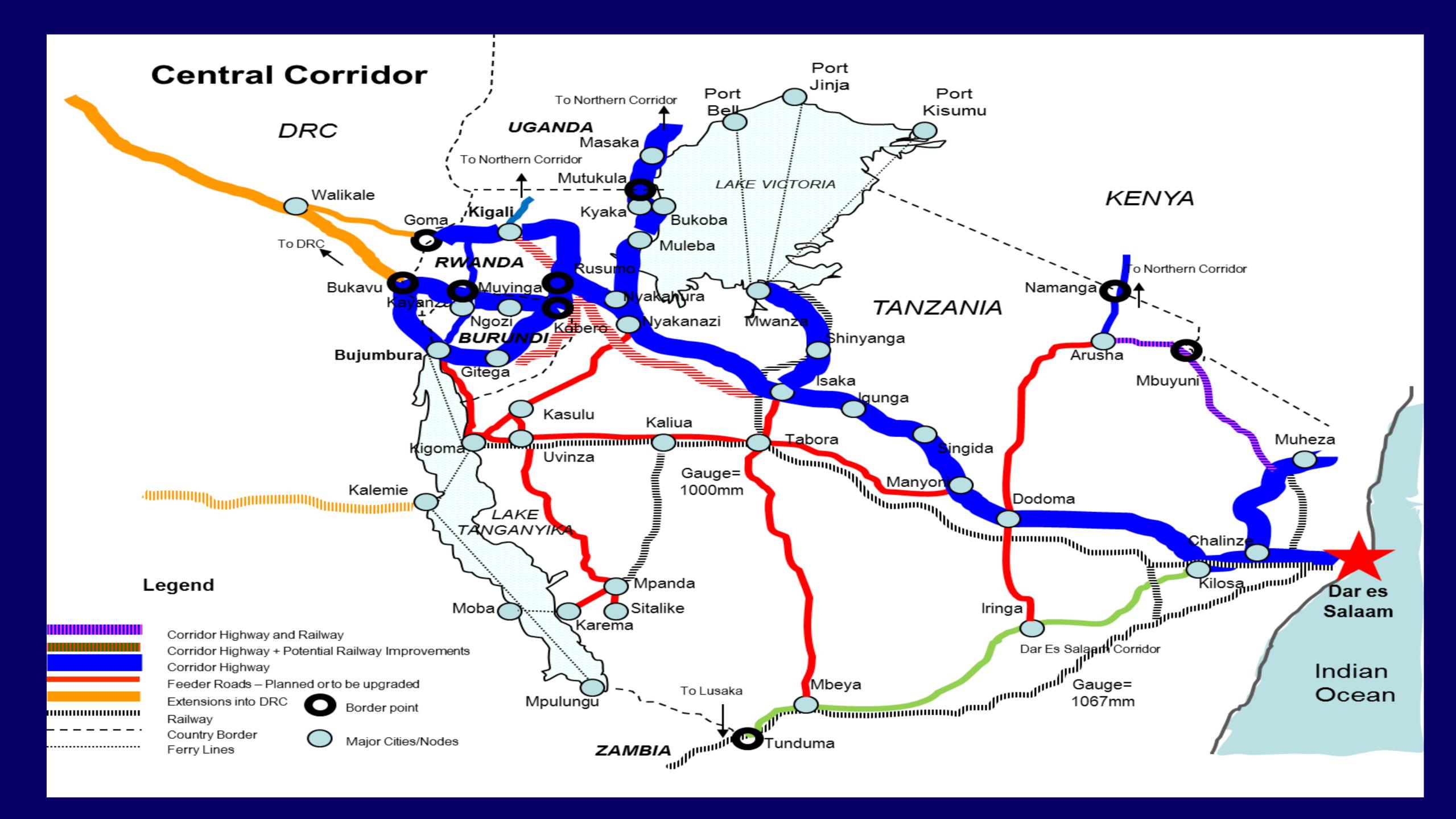
Seals/Tracking

- Internal road checkpoints -
- Seals are conventional and at risk of tampering -
 - Cost -
 - Private sector seals -
- Seals are electronic and not transferable to other countries -
 - Complexity of multiple tracking systems -
 - Transferability of tracking devices -
 - Legal validity -
- Regulatory agencies are not resealing containers after opening them (leaving it to brokers to reseal) -
 - Other -

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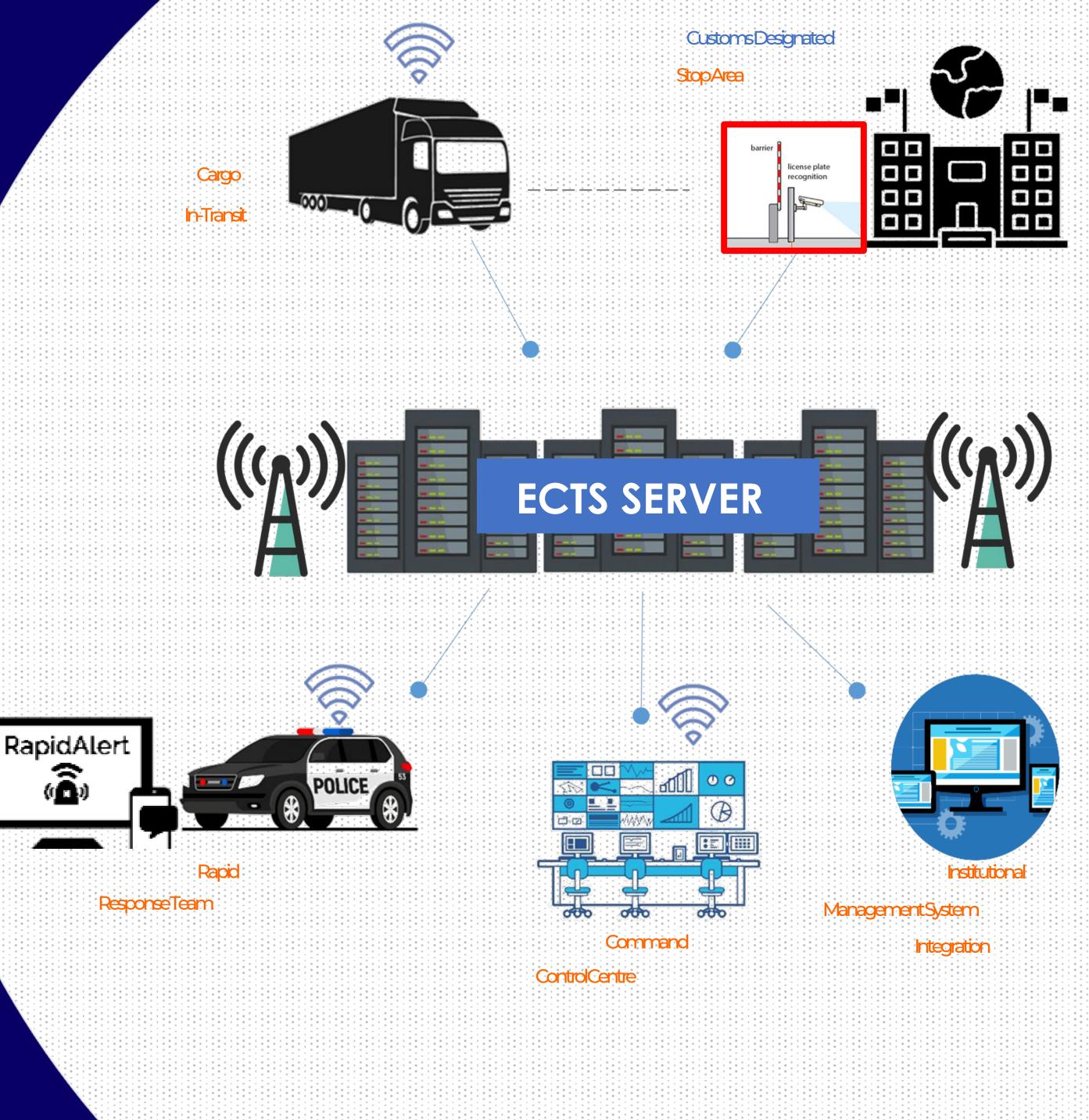


Electronic Cargo Tracking System

A customized solution designed specifically to meet unique requirements for protecting the integrity of transit goods. The system combines the mechanical security of standard seals with:

Delivering real-The electroni€ime assurance of security offer€grgo integrity by RFID

Traceability of illegal operations to address organized crime, theft, trade fraud and contraband smuggling.



Regional Electronic Cargo Tracking System Seals

- Tracks transit cargo cleared from the port of entry and monitors its movement up to the country of destination within East Africa
- Addressed the challenge of transit cargo diversion once cleared from the port of entry
- Saved on cost of physical escort and demurrages
- Loss of cargo in case of road accidents.
- The risk of revenue losses reduced
- Non Stop



Track & trace



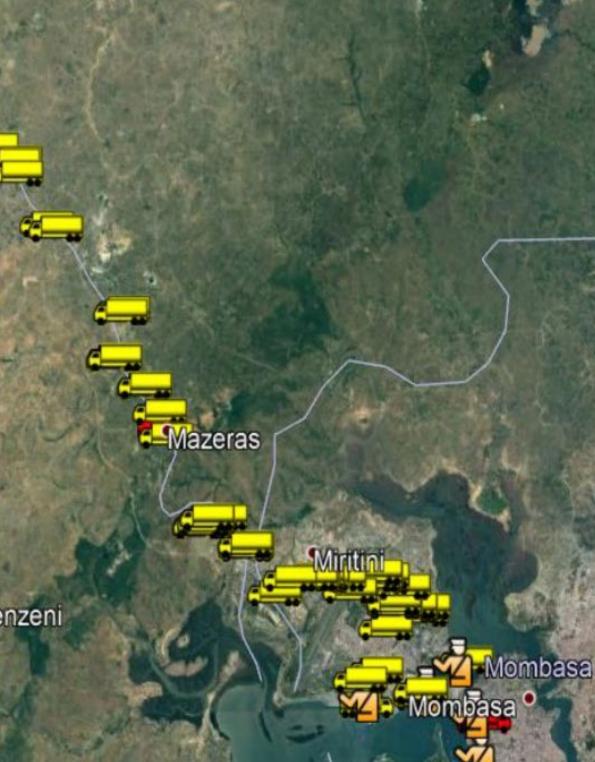
....In real time

Mombasa Port Gate 18,19,20 TO KAMPALA CBC

ESeal No	: 60D5006748
Reg No	: KCE401X/ZF2151
Event	: DATA MOVEMENT
Location	0.14 KM NW of : Mombasa Rd, Kenya
Speed	: 9kmph
Date Time	2018-03-07 16:26:34
Shipment	etails

Shipment Details

T1 Ref / Entry No	: D29141
Departure	MOMBASA PORT GATE 18,19,20
Destination	: KAMPALA CBC
Route	MSA-KLA- : MOMBASA-KAMPALA VIA MALABA
Estimated Exit Time	: 2018-03-11 04:53
Directions: T	o here - From here





- ☐ The Single Customs Territory and Other Trade Facilitation measures has facilitated the free movements of goods in EAC and its neighbours.
- The RECTs helped in eliminating diversion of cargo, reduced inspections at Customs check points and secured the cargo, for example in case of accidents, if seals are tempered with, the Rapid Response Unit intervenes and secure the cargo.
- The system also helped seal loopholes that cause losses in revenue through suspected under-declaration of the value of exports or theft of cargo.
- □ It is evident that the Cargo Tracking System with Single Customs Territory and other TF measures has reduced time and costs.
- The RECDTS protected lives, promoting safe trade and especially continuous flow of trade, supported health related protocols and facilitated safe trade. Trade flow continued despite the pandemic.
- Due to Covid-19 testing at Malaba traffic stretched 70km long. The Regional Electronic Cargo and Driver Tracking System helped to reduced congestion at OSBPs.

Conclusion





Traffic -70km during covid 19

Way forward

- return on investment is guaranteed.
- ports operations, OSBPs, Customs Systems, etc.
- maintenance of the soft and hard infrastructure.

EAC is planning Add value to the cargo tracking system by interfacing it to smart gates with ability to retire the customs bond automatically. The development of EAC bonds is underway. Additional resources are needed for infrastructure (soft and hard) because

EAC with support of AfDB and WCO is conducting a Regional Time Release Study to assess the performance all Trade Facilitation measures implemented along the Corridors; from

• EAC has developed also a digital OSBP Performance measurement tool. It will also help to monitor the OSBP cargo and people crossing time, satisfaction of users and the

Reference

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