Botswana: Government closes schools as a precaution.

Kenya: Selected by AU and WHO to host the Africa Center for Disease Prevention and Control (Africa CDC).

Kenya: Patients stranded as medics avoid hospitals.

Niger: Government directs closure of schools and suspends public gatherings for 30 days.

Nigeria: Governors to set up isolation centers in 36 states.

Rwanda: Suspend all flights for 30 days amid outbreak.

Sierra Leone: President announces military deployment to border entry points in order to prevent COVID spillover.

South Africa: Government institutes price controls for sanitizer, meat, COVID-19 treatment and other essentials.

South Africa: Independent Electoral Commission postpones by-elections scheduled for this week.

MEDIA TRENDS

#StopTheSpread; #FightCOVID19; #CoronaVirusUpdate; #KenyaShallOvercome; #StayAtHomeChallenge

"Is @NGRPresident @MBuhari in hiding? What kind of morbid silence is this from the leader of a country that is experiencing a ratcheting up of health crisis?" - Former Minister Ezekwesili

Nigeria: 20K+ on “symptoms of coronavirus”

African countries with COVID-19 cases that have upcoming general elections this year.

*Data compiled from WHO Regional Office for Africa and online media sources.