Botswana: President Mokgweetsi Masisi extends the lockdown, initially scheduled to end on April 30, to May 7.

Burundi: Election campaigns with large gatherings at political rallies spark concerns over the spread of the virus.

DRC: The mineral-rich province of Haut-Katanga begins a 24-hour lockdown to help authorities contact trace.

Gabon: The government eases lockdown restrictions in the capital, Libreville.

Malawi: A high court indefinitely extends an order barring the government from imposing a 21-day lockdown.

Morocco: Authorities exempt journalists from curfew.

Nigeria: President Muhammadu Buhari announces a “phased and gradual” lifting of restrictions in Abuja and Lagos.

Nigeria: U.S. President Trump promises to donate ventilators to Nigeria.

Nigeria: The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) creates two more laboratories to increase testing capacity.

Tanzania: Musician Mwana FA (Khamis Mwinjuma) leaves hospital after being treated for Covid-19 for 28 days.

Uganda: The health minister denies repatriating 14 foreign truck drivers who tested positive for coronavirus.

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FIGURE(S) OF THE DAY: 330+
Confirmed cases in Morocco’s prisons.

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