

OBAMA MEMORABILIA FROM AFRICA COLLECTION

Obama Memorabilia from Africa is a special collection of ephemera housed in the African Middle East Division and is technically part of the African Pamphlet Collection, which is also maintained in the division. The majority of the items in the collection, which has more than 150 objects, were acquired by the Library of Congress' Overseas Field Office in Nairobi, Kenya. U.S. embassies on the continent and the Embassy of Kenya in Washington, DC also made significant contributions to the collection. Other materials were later donated to the collection from individuals and organizations that had access to relevant materials.

The Obama Memorabilia from Africa Collection draws a variety of object formats from the African continent, but also contains related materials from other parts of the world such as France, Lebanon, United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The Obama Memorabilia from the African Section's Collection in AMED, which includes newspapers, electoral buttons, photographs, magazines, tee shirts, textiles and music CD's, among other formats, comes primarily from Kenya, where Barak Obama Sr. hailed from, but also from Uganda, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Nigeria, Ghana, Niger, Cameroon, South Africa, Angola, Tanzania, Zambia, Sudan and Somaliland.

The African Section was formally established in the Library of Congress in 1960 was also the date that the African Pamphlet Collection was established. The 1960s were pivotal times in sub-Saharan Africa as a number of countries gained independence. Supported initially by a grant from the Carnegie Corporation and later by funds appropriated by Congress, the section continues to advise and cooperate in the Library's acquisition program, provide reference and bibliographic services, and maintain liaison with other research and teaching institutions in the United States and abroad.

The Library of Congress Office in Nairobi, Kenya, is one of six overseas offices located around the world. It acquires and catalogs publications from twenty-nine countries in Africa for the collections of the Library of Congress. The Nairobi Office first opened its doors in fiscal year 1966 as a National Program for Acquisitions and Cataloging (NPAC) office serving the Library of Congress for eastern and southern African publications. The Cooperative Acquisitions Program for the East Africa Region was initiated in 1992 and assist with acquisitions of African monographs and serials for many other libraries and universities in the United States.

This finding aid can be used to search formats, countries of origin and specific items by using the word in the search, for instance "Kenya" or "newspaper" or "Obama Kanga Cloth" to locate materials in the collection.

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1	Interview Transcript about President Lager	Paper	Letter paper printout	Kenya
2	T-shirt Images	Paper	25 images of t-shirt designs	United States
3	Gala Night Programme for Kenya Public Relations	Paper	Glossy paper with small Obama image depicting program of events for 2008 gala night and awards	Kenya
4	PR of Kenya Invite Campaign Button	Paper	Invitation too 2008 Public Relation Sco, of Kenya Gala	Kenya
5	Library of Congress Information Bulletin	Glossy Paper	LOC Information Bulletin Volume 70, Issue 4. Includes article "Read Across America: First Lady Kicks of Literary Event at Library." April 2011	United States
6	Library of Congress Information Bulletin	Glossy Paper	LOC Information Bulletin Volume 68, Issues 1-2. Includes article "Obamabilia Collection Ranges from Campaign Buttons to Beer Lables." Jan-Feb 2009.	United States
7	Calendar	Calendar Reprinted on Photo Paper	"America's First Black 'First Lady' Michelle Obama." 2009	United States
8	Inaugural invite	Invitation Reprinted on Photo Paper	Invitation to Inaugural party	Kenya
9	Obama Family	Poster Photo	Small card with color photo of Obama family at acceptance speech	Ethiopia
10	Obama Speech	Poster Photo	Small card with color photo of Obama giving speech	Ethiopia
11	Obama and Parents	Poster Photo	Small card with color image of Obama and father, and Obama and mother	Ethiopia
12	Poster of Obama	Poster	Color photo of Obama. "Barrack Obama 2008." - 2 copies	Uganda
13	Electoral poster	Poster	Blue monocolor image of Obama. "Ndiyo Tunaweza Obama." Modified "O" logo with colors of Kenyan flag.	Kenya
14	Ministry of Health HIV Poster	Poster	Color photos of Obama being tested for HIV and of Obama speaking	Kenya
15	Tourism Booklet	Booklet	Kenya tourism booklet with Obama picture	Kenya
16	The Rising Sun	Comic Book	Obama Story 1: The Roots	Nigeria
17	The Rising Sun	Comic Book	Obama Story 2: The Cradle	Nigeria
18	The Rising Sun	Comic Book	Obama Story 3: The Dream - 2 copies	Nigeria

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19	The Rising Sun	Comic Book	Obama Story 4: The Process	Nigeria
20	The Rising Sun	Comic Book	Obama Story 5: The Fulfillment	Nigeria
21	People Magazine	Magazine Cover reprinted on Photo Paper	Color image of President and First Lady dancing at Inauguration	United States
22	Today's Black Woman	Magazine Cover reprinted on Photo Paper	Color photo of Obama and first lady. "Standing by Her Man..." July 2007	United States
23	Msafiri Magazine	Magazine	Msafiri Magazine. Kenya Air. - 2 copies	Kenya
24	Paris Match	Magazine	Color photo of Obama family. "Barack Obama: L'homme de l'année." 2008	France
25	Nagadras	Newspaper	Front page with photo of Obama and his family (White and Black)	Ethiopia
26	A Verdade	Newspaper	Front page with photo of Obama (color)	Mozambique
27	The southern suburbs tatlter	Newspaper	Front page with photo of Obama (color) with other students	South Africa
28	Adis Nagar	Newspaper	Front page with photo of Obama(Black & White). " It's Obama"	Ethiopia
29	Kenya Daily Nation	Newspaper	Color photo of the first family, Obama's family	Kenya
30	Kenya Daily Nation	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama & the First Lady. "Obama's Pledge"	Kenya
31	Kenya Daily Nation	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama & the First Lady. "Hard work ahead"	Kenya
32	East African Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama & the First Lady. " Mr. President"	Kenya
33	East African Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama & the First Lady. "The party is over....."	Kenya
34	The Times	Newspaper	Front page. Color photo of Obama. " Massive Victory Party for Obama".	Zambia
35	The Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "A Sprint to the Finish." 11.04.2008	Kenya
36	The Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Obama's Dream Team." 11.08.2008	Kenya
37	The Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. B&W photo of Obama's father. "Obama's Dad and his Many Loves." 11.15.2008	Kenya
38	The Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Palin Blamed for Obama Attacks. 11.10.2008.	Kenya

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39	Daily Trust	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Great Victory! Amazing History!" 11.05.2008	Nigeria
40	The Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Party Mood as Obama on Course for Victory." 11.03.2008	Kenya
41	Daily Nation	Newspaper	Small color photo of Obama and US Map. "Roadmap to Obama's Victory." 10.30.2008	Kenya
42	The Star	Newspaper	Front page with B&W photo of Obama. Inside page with color photo of Obama family. "Barack to the Future." 11.06.2008	South Africa
43	The Metro Herald	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Yes We Can." 11.07.2008 - 2 copies	United States
44	District Chronicles	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "In my Lifetime." 11.07.2008 - 3 copies	United States
45	Rolling Out	Newspaper	Stylized image of Obama's face. "Barack Obama: Our New Commander in Chief." 10.30.2008	United States
46	Daily Nation	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama and first lady dancing. "Hard Work Ahead." 01.22.2009 - 5 copies	Kenya
47	The Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama and first lady dancing. "The Party is Over." 01.22.2009 - 6 copies	Kenya
48	The Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama and first lady during swearing in. "Mr. President." 01.21.2009 - 6 copies	Kenya
49	Daily Nation	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama and first lady during swearing in. "Obama's Pledge." 01.29.2009 - 5 copies	Kenya
50	This Day	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Obama in Historic Victory." 11.05.2008	Nigeria
51	Nairobi Star	Newspaper	B&W photo of Obama. "President." 11.05.2008 - 2 copies	Kenya
52	The Standard on Sunday	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Courting Obama." 11.09.2008	Kenya
53	The Standard on Sunday	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. " Obama ney nia!" 11.02.2008	Kenya
54	Daily Nation	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Obama's Defining Moment." 11.04.2008	Kenya

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55	The Star	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Obama Dream within Reach." 11.04.2008	South Africa
56	The Standard	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama and family, as well as a B&W photo of Obama's father and color photo of stepmother. "My Life with Obama Senior" 11.11.2008	Kenya
57	Cape Argus	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama. "Landslide." 11.05.2008	South Africa
58	Daily Nation	Newspaper	Color photo of Obama with U.S. map by state. "Obama's Agenda." 11.07.2008	Kenya
59	Sowetan	Newspaper Cover	Full page color photo of Obama. "Man of the World." 11.06.2008	South Africa
60	Sowetan - Opinion and Analysis	Newspaper Article	Color photo of Obama family. "Boost for Racial Equality." 11.06.2008	South Africa
61	Sowetan - News	Newspaper Article	Color photo of Obama and first lady. "Today is the Day to Rejoice." 11.06.2008	South Africa
62	The Star	Newspaper Article	Color photo of woman watching televised Obama speech. "Oooobaaaama! Celebrating a Milestone Moment." 11.06.2008	South Africa
63	The Times	Newspaper Article	6 color photos depicting Obama, voters, and art images of Obama. 11.05.2008	South Africa
64	a Capital	Newspaper Reprint	Color photo of Obama. "NÃO ESPEREN MILAGRES."	Angola
65	Roue de l'Histoire	Newspaper Reprint	B&W photo of Cheikh Boureina Abdou Daouda. "Réaction de Cheikh Boureina Abdou Daouda à l'élection de Barack Obama à la magistrature suprême des Etats-Unis." November 2008.	Niger
66	Cameroon Tribune	Newspaper Reprint	B&W photo of Obama. "C'est Obama." 2 copies	Cameroon
67	Repères	Newspaper Reprint	B&W photo of Obama and White House. "Le vioci donc a la Maison Blanche." 12.08.2008 - 2 copies	Cameroon
68	le Rêpublican	Newspaper Reprint	Color image of Obama. "Les USA émerveillent le monde." 11.12.2008	Cameroon
69	Front of page from Tribute & Reperes	Newspaper Reprint	Front page with picture of Obama	Cameroon

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70	As-Salam	Newspaper Reprint	Small B&W photo of Obama. "Péripéties et enseignements de l'élection de Barack Obama aux USA." November 2008	Niger
71	Roue de l'Histoire	Newspaper Reprint	B&W photo of Obama. "Le rêve du Dr. Martin Luther King Concretise." 11.05.2008	Niger
72	The Events. Al-Hawadith	Newspaper Reprint	Image of dove pulling flag with drawing of Obama's face	Lebanon
73	al-Mustaqal	Newspaper Reprint	Color photo of Obama in front of White House.	Lebanon
74	Ethiopia Obama	Photo	Photo of obama inside Africa sil houette	Ethiopia
75	Obama Dalla Dalla (by Christie Johnson)	Photo	Van with the picture of Obama, USA flag and aTanzania house	Tanzania
76	Announcement	Reprinted Photo	B&W photo of Obama and first lady. "Obama Clinches Nomination." 06.03.2008	United States
77	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of first lady hugging woman at National Mentoring Summit. 2011	United States
78	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of first lady smiling and sitting with book at Read Across America. 2011	United States
79	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of first lady reading <i>Cat in the Hat</i> at Read Across America. 2011	United States
80	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of first lady speaking at National Mentoring Summit. 2011	United States
81	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of first lady shaking hands at Read Across America. 2011	United States
82	Michelle Obama and Cat in the Hat	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of Michelle Obama clapping with Cat in the Hat at Read Across America. 2011	United States
83	Michelle Obama with Dr. Billington and Arnie Duncan	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of Michelle Obama reading at Read Across America. 2011	United States
84	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of Michelle Obama with circle of women.	United States
85	Michelle Obama and Nelson Mandela	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of Michelle Obama and Nelson Mandela sitting	South Africa
86	Michelle Obama with Desmond Tutu	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of Michelle Obama speaking with Desmond Tutu	South Africa
87	Photograph (Dennis Bailey, Country Director, CORD)	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of boy holding collage poster of Obama election - 2 copies	Uganda

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88	Photograph (Reuters: Irada Humbatora)	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of man wearing t-shirt with Obama in front of American flag - 2 copies	Ethiopia
89	Barack Obama Barbershop	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of man in front of Barack Obama Barbershop doorway	unknown
90	Obama Café	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of man with cup and saucer in front of Obama Café sign - 2 copies	Ethiopia
91	Man Reading Obama Newspaper	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of man by sales cart reading newspaper with Obama on cover	Syria
92	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of first lady sitting with woman	South Africa
93	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of Michelle Obama hugging children outside	South Africa
94	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of Michelle Obama reading <i>Green Eggs and Ham</i> at Read Across America. 2011	United States
95	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of Michelle Obama hugging girl at National Mentoring Summit 2011	United States
96	Michelle Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of Michelle Obama waving	United States
97	Michelle and Barack Obama	Reprinted Photo	Color photo of President and First Lady laughing	United States
98	Michelle Obama Collage	Reprinted Photo	42 images of Michelle Obama in collage	United States
99	Van with Obama window	Reprinted Photo	B&W photo of Obama's face over American flag on van back window - 2 copies	Tanzania
100	Obama and Maathi	Reprinted Photo	Photo of Senator Obama and Wangari Maathai	Kenya
101	Obama Café and Hargeisa	Reprinted Photo	Photo of Obama Café and Restaurant	Hargeisa, Somaliland
102	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	1. White. "Kenya Says Yes We Can!"	Kenya
103	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	2. Red. Front says "Obama '08." Back says "Change We Can Believe In"	Kenya
104	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	3. Black. Front says "Obama: Change We Can Believe In." Back says "Ja Kogelo"	Kenya
105	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	4. Color image of Barack Obama. "Barack Obama '08."	Kenya
106	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	5. Color image of Obama in front of Capitol. "You Made It, Barack Obama."	Kenya
107	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	6. Color image of Obama with campaign posters. "Our Man Barack Obama."	Kenya

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108	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	7. White. "Yes We Can Obama '08"	Kenya
109	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	8. White. "Barack Obama Success Achieved."	Kenya
110	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	9. White. Front says "Support Barack Obama." Back says "Yes We Can!"	Kenya
111	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	10. White. Front says "Team Obama '08." Back says "Yes We Can!"	Kenya
112	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	11. B&W image of Obama. "Congratulations! Barack Obama"	Kenya
113	Obama T-shirt	T-shirt	12. Front shows color image of Obama with Kenyan Flag. Back says "Obama."	Kenya
114	Obama tee-shirt from Zanibar	T-shirt	White T-Shirt with a color picture of Obama. "Zanzibar for Obama Change. Yes We Can"	Tanzania
115	Ethiopia Tee Shirt	T-shirt	Yellow shirt with photo of Obama and flag. Printed with the term " Thank you God".	Ethiopia
116	Hongera Barack Obama Textile White	Textile	1. and 9. B&W image of Obama's face with maps of Africa	Tanzania
117	Ndíyo Tunaweza	Textile	2. Kanga cloth. "Ndíyo Tunaweza." (Yes We Can.)	Tanzania
118	Hongera Barack Obama Textile Blue	Textile	3. and 4. Kanga cloth in Swahili. "Congratulatoins Barack Obama/ God Has Granted Us Love and Peace." - 2 textiles	Tanzania
119	Barack Obama Flag Textile	Textile	5. Obama with images of White House and American and Kenyan flags	Kenya
120	Hongera Barack Obama Orange	Textile	7. B&W image of Obama's face in center of American flag	Tanzania
121	Hongera Barack Obama with Flags Blue	Textile	8. B&W image of Obama's face with U.S. flags and blue background	Tanzania
122	Obama and John Mills	Textile	10. White background with red and blue outlined squares.	Ghana
123	Batik of Obama Family	Textile	Batik image of Obama family with black cloth background	unknown
124	National Flag	Textile	Color Flag of Kenya	Kenya
125	Obama Back Pack	Textile	Black backpack with a photo of Obama, US capitol	Ethiopia
126	Kanga Cloth Akwaaba (welcome) Obama	Textile	Blue cloth with yellow spots, photo of Obama. (color)	Ghana

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127	Kanga cloth	Textile	Cloth with a color photo of Obama, White House and flag. "Heko Rais Obama Wakenya Twakutakia Kila La Heri (Bravo President Obama/ We Kenyans Wish You All the Best)	Kenya
128	Baseball cap	Textile	Obama baseball cap	Kenya
129	Baseball cap	Textile	Black and yellow baseball cap with white stars. "Obama."	Kenya
130	Baseball cap	Textile	Navy and white baseball cap. "Obama" in red font.	Kenya
131	Music CD	CD - multiple	"Obama for change." Ouma Basement	Kenya
132	Music CD	CD - disk and case	"Obama Wuod Alego." Lady Moureen	Kenya
133	Music CD	CD - disk and case	"Heko Obama." Ngona Katulilu	Kenya
134	Music CD	CD - disk and case	"Yes We Can." Queen Babito	Kenya
135	Music CD	CD - disk and case	"Obama." Blaze Africa	Kenya
136	Music CD	CD - disk and case	"Yes We Can." Tumsifu	Kenya
137	Music CD	CD - disk and case	"Obama." Otieno Small	Kenya
138	Music CD	CD - disk and case	"Senator Barack Obama." Uagwasi Production	Kenya
139	Music CD	CD - disk and case	"Obama in the White House." Superstar Atonny Sifa	Kenya
140	Music CD	CD - disk only	"Obama for Change." Kenge Kenge	Kenya
141	Obama Banners	Banners	Color photo of Obama and first lady	Uganda
142	Obama Banners	Banners	Color photo of Obama speaking	Uganda
143	Electoral Bumper Sticker	Sticker	Color image of Obama with American flag. "Obama the US President"	Kenya
144	Electoral Bumper Sticker	Sticker	Blue monocolor image of Obama with American and Kenyan flags. "Obama."	Kenya
145	Obama Electoral Button	Button	Round white button with rainbow. "Obama Pride."	Kenya
146	Obama Electoral Button	Button	Rectangle with color photo of Obama. "Change that Works for You. Barack Obama US President. Son of Kenya"	Kenya
147	Obama Electoral Button	Button	Round with color image of male lion. "Kenya: Proudly Obama's Roots"	Kenya
148	Obama Electoral Button	Button	Round. B&W image of Obama	Kenya
149	Obama Electoral Button	Button	Round. Color image of Obama. "Obama."	Kenya

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150	Electoral Buttons	Button	Color Photo of Obama	Kenya
151	Obama Electoral Button	Button	Round. Color image of Obama with flag. "Barack Obama 2008"	Kenya
152	Obama Electoral Button	Button	Round. B&W image of Obama over red, white, and blue. "Obama for President."	Kenya
153	Electoral Ornament	Ornament	Oval ornament with braided red string. "Change We Can Believe in: Barrack Obama."	Kenya
154	Food wrappers	Wrappers	6 lollipop wrappers and 2 biscuit wrappers with Obama's face - already processed by preservation	Kenya
155	Tamborine	Instrument	Tamborine. Outside black with white stripes. Inside red. "Kogelo Obama."	Kenya
156	Obama pendant, earrings & keychains with flag of Ethiopia	Box carton, metal, plastic key	Pendant with a pic of Obama. Earring with Obama pic & USA flag key with photo of Obama	Ethiopia
157	Perfume Bottles with Boxes	Liquids	"Yes We Can." White box with color photo of Obama family	United Arab Emirates
158	Perfume Bottles with Boxes	Liquids	"OBAMA." Black box with writing	United Arab Emirates
159	Glass Beer Bottle	Glass bottle	"Citizen Special"	Kenya
160	President Beer Bottles and Newspaper Ads	Beer bottle and reprinted color newspaper adv	Bottle with the term "President". Colored adv paper with pic of beer and "cheers!"	Kenya
161	Obama Whiskey & Brandy Bottles with Radio Advertisement	Plastic Bottles and CD's	Whiskey and Brandy Bottles with name of Obama. The CD's with the picture of whiskey and Brandy	Zambia
162	Bubble Gum Boxes	Card board boxes(2) with gum	2 colorful card board boxes with fake gum pieces	Kenya
163	Michelle Obama Inaugural doll (Danbury Mint)	plastic doll with fabric dress	Doll representing Michelle Obama in replica Inaugural dress	Great Britain
164	Michelle Obama action figure	plastic doll in b/w dress	Doll representing Michelle Obama in black and white dress with moveable arms/legs/waist	United States
165	Obama in Mali	photographic book	29 page book of photos depicting Obama memorabilia in Mali	United States
166	President of the United States: Hussein Barack Obama calendar	poster calendar	cardboard one-sheet 2013 calendar w/ assorted Obama photos	Kenya(?)

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167	Obama tee shirt	cotton tee shirt	white tee shirt with single photo of Obama and caption "Forward 2012"	Kenya
168	Obama tee shirt	cotton tee shirt	Black tee shirt with embroidered image of Obama with Kenya Coat of Arms and Obama for America logo	Kenya
169	Obama tee shirt	cotton tee shirt	Beige tee shirt with embroidered image of Obama with American and Kenyan flags	Kenya
170	Obama tee shirt	cotton tee shirt	white tee shirt with image of the First Famil and caption "Obama" above and "Forward 2012" below photo	Kenya
171	Coffee mug	ceramic coffee mug	white mug with photo of Obama and caption "Forward 2012"	Kenya
172	The Standard	newspaper	headline w/ color photo "It happened because of you. Thank you.	Kenya
173	Daily Nation	newspaper	Obama Triumph	Kenya
174	The Daily Times	newspaper	Veep Lauds U.S. Elections	Malawi
175	Le Renouveau	newspaper	Obama defeat Romney et remporte un second mandat historique	Burundi
176	The Nation	newspaper	U.S. elections a model-VP	Kenya
177	Habari Leo	newspaper	Obama arajea 'White House'	Tanzania
178	NIPASHE	newspaper	Obama Atakisa	Tanzania
179	Daily News	newspaper	World Hails Obama's Victory	Kenya
180	Bukedde	newspaper	OYEE- Ebirala ku Buwanguzi bwa Obama	Uganda
181	Bukedde	newspaper	Obama	Uganda
182	The Guardian	newspaper	JK (Jakaya Kikwete) congratulates Obama, promise to boost ties	Tanzania
183	The Standard	newspaper	In Black and White	Kenya
184	The Citizen	newspaper	The road ahead	Tanzania
185	Mwanachi	newspaper	Obama	Tanzania
186	Tanzania Dailma	newspaper	Obama aishika Marekani	Tanzania
187	FUKO (Chitembuka/Chichewa)	newspaper	Barack Obama has been elected again to be president of America	Malawi