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Kenya and Uganda Unite to **Eliminate Trade Barriers, Boost Regional Integration**

Kenya and Uganda have taken a major step toward strengthening trade cooperation and regional integration.

During a ministerial meeting held in Mbale City, Uganda, the two countries agreed to eliminate all tariff and nontariff barriers that have hindered crossborder trade. The agreement was reached between Kenya's Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry and Uganda's Ministry of State for Trade, Industry and Cooperatives.

Under the deal, all products originating from Kenya and Uganda will be treated as transfers rather than imports, effectively eliminating discriminatory excise duties, levies, and charges. The two nations also agreed to ease congestion at the Malaba and Busia borders to facilitate the smooth flow of goods, services, and people.

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