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Central African Republic	Liberia	Somalia
Chad	Madagascar	Tanzania
Comoros	Malawi	Togo
Congo, Dem. Rep.	Mali	Uganda
Eritrea	Mozambique	Zimbabwe
Ethiopia	Nepal	

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Cambodia	Mauritania	Tonga
Cameroon	Micronesia, Fed. Sts.	Tunisia
Congo, Rep.	Moldova	Ukraine
Cote d'Ivoire	Mongolia	Uzbekistan
Djibouti	Morocco	Vanuatu
El Salvador	Myanmar	Vietnam
Ghana	Nicaragua	West Bank and Gaza
Guatemala	Papua New Guinea	Yemen, Rep.
Honduras	Samoa	Zambia
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