

Tanzania seizes \$30m diamond stash

The Tanzanian Government has confiscated diamonds worth nearly \$30m after accusing UK company Petra Diamonds of having declared a lower value when trying to export the gems. A report on the [News24](#) site notes that Finance Minister Philip Mpango said the diamonds extracted from the Williamson Diamonds mine had been 'nationalised'. **The mine is 75% owned by Petra Diamonds, with the remaining stake held by the Tanzanian state.** The diamonds were seized on 31 August at the airport in Tanzania's main city of Dar es Salaam as they were being shipped to Belgium.