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# Are Europe's woes responsible for sluggish EAC integration?

### Editor,

**RE:** "Is East African integration slowing down?" (The New Times, March 21)

One possible explanation of the slowing down could be the impact of Brexit and the turmoil, if I can call it so, happening in European Union. Until up to recently,

The European Union was considered by many countries as a good example in unifying economies for the common progress of the members.

Now that the future of the European Union is seen to be in doubt by many analysts, even our East African members may be beginning to think that the whole East African Community project might not be viable in the long run.

I personally believe that Brexit and other ills European Union is facing today should instead provide our countries an important lesson that would help them formulate a better East African Union than the one they had envisaged, even if it meant revisiting the whole concept. Otherwise, abandoning the project would be a missed development opportunity.

#### Seth

IT'S CLEAR there are some dishonest members in this arrangement called EAC, who are bent on stabbing other members

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#### in the back.

I know there are national interests every country is pursuing, but that should not be to the detriment of a good working relationship in the community.

There have been abrasive and bare

knuckles in the way things are done. If this is not managed well then the Njonjo prophecy will come to pass. I hope am wrong but I fear I may be right.

