

From January 2024 to 2026, Uganda will take on the chair of Global South Association of 120 countries after hosting the Non Allied Movement (NAM) Summit in Kampala in January 2024.

President Museveni will take over from Azerbaijan President Ilham Aliyev to lead the second biggest group of countries after the United Nations. Formed in 1961, at the height of the Cold War between the West and East, NAM has over 120 members: 53 from Africa, 39 from Asia, 26 from Latin America and Caribbean , and two from Europe.

National Organizing Committee Lucy Nakyobe said that focus would be on bringing together leaders from around the world to address pressing global issues. The summit comes at the time when countries like the US and UK have issued a fresh security alert.

The United States and United Kingdom's diplomatic missions this month issued a warning to their respective nationals about going to big events, especially religious services.

Additionally, the UK government has advised its citizens not to visit Queen Elizabeth National Park or Semuliki National Park, where last month a British and South African couple, along with their Ugandan guide, were killed by a militant group known as the Allied Democratic Forces (ADF).

However, Nakyobe assured the international community that Uganda was secure despite the recent travel advisories by the US and UK.

"I assure you all that the country is secure and ready to receive the international visitors coming in January. We are ready for our guests"

She added that the airport was undergoing extensive readjustment. Including expansion of the main terminal building.