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BOTSWANA HOSTS THE 6TH EDITION OF THE SADC INTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRIES GAMES

Gaborone, 9 September 2016: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation is hosting the 6th Edition of the SADC Inter Foreign Affairs Ministries Games from 9th to 11th September 2016, as part of the celebrations of Botswana's 50th Anniversary of Independence, under the theme "*United and Proud*".

The Games aim to strengthen the bonds of friendship and cooperation that subsist among SADC Ministries of Foreign Affairs and further consolidate regional integration through cultural and sports diplomacy. Some 300 Foreign Affairs officials from Botswana, Lesotho, South Africa and Swaziland will compete in a number of friendly sporting events including a 8km fun run/walk, soccer, netball, volleyball, aerobic, chess and snooker.

The main events will take place at the Sir Seretse Khama Barracks Stadium, in Mogoditshane, on Saturday 10 September 2016, from 0630hrs. Winners will be awarded trophies at a Prize Giving Ceremony to be held in the evening of 10 September 2016 at Oasis Motel.

Members of the Media are invited to provide coverage of the SADC Inter Foreign Affairs Ministries Games on 10 September 2016. For more information, please contact the Event Coordinators, Mr. Solomon Seeco at +267 72347382 and Mr. Kereng Baleki at +267 71501985.

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