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PRESS RELEASE

HONOURABLE MINISTER DR. UNITY DOW ATTENDS THE TICAD MINISTERIAL MEETING, IN TOKYO, JAPAN

Gaborone, 4th October, 2018: The Minister of International Affairs and Cooperation, Hon. Dr. Unity Dow, will travel to Japan on 4th October 2018 to participate at the Tokyo International Conference on Africa Development (TICAD) Ministerial Meeting scheduled for the 5th to 7th October 2018.

The Ministerial meeting, which will be preceded by a Senior Officials Meeting on 5th October 2018, will review the progress made thus far on measures announced at TICAD V and VI at the Ministerial level and to prepare the agenda for the TICAD VII Summit to be held in Yokohama, Japan from 28th to 30th August in 2019.

In this regard, the Ministerial Meeting will consider the following themes: Trends and Challenges since TICAD VI; Economic Transformation of Inclusive Growth; Building a Healthy, Sustainable and Stable Society for Human Security; and Strengthening Connectivity for Africa and beyond. The Minister will make interventions on these themes, which are considered very relevant to Botswana's development agenda.

Following the TICAD Ministerial Meeting, the Hon. Minister will proceed to London to attend the Illegal Wildlife Trade Conference: London 2018, being held from 11th to 12th October 2018.

The Hon. Minister is expected to return to Gaborone on 14th October 2018.

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