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VISIT TO BOTSWANA BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT (UNCTAD) DR. MUKHISA KITUYI

Gaborone, 27 March 2019: The Ministry of International Affairs and Cooperation wishes to inform that the Secretary General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) Dr. Mukhisa Kituyi, will visit Botswana from the 27th to 30th March, 2019.

The visit follows an invitation extended by His Excellency the President, Dr. Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi, during the World Investment Forum held in Geneva, Switzerland, in October 2018. The UNCTAD Secretary-General will be joined by a group of eminent personalities and resource persons from the international development policy sphere, who will engage with Cabinet, and share their insights on global developments and their linkages to Botswana's development agenda.

The discussions will focus on the strategies that need to be put in place to transform Botswana from a resource-based to a knowledge-based economy.

UNCTAD was established by the United Nations in 1964 to deal with trade, investment and other development issues. The overarching aim of the organization is to strengthen trade, investment and development opportunities in developing countries and assist them in their efforts to integrate into the world economy.

Dr. Kituyi and his delegation will depart on 30th March 2019.

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