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HONOURABLE MINISTER VENSON-MOITOI ATTENDS THE 2016 GLOBAL AFRICAN INVESTMENT SUMMIT 5-6 SEPTEMBER 2016, KIGALI, RWANDA

Gaborone, 31 August, 2016: The Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Honourable Dr. Pelonomi Venson-Moitoi, will travel to Kigali, Rwanda on 3rd September 2016 to participate in the 2016 Global African Investment Summit.

The Summit, which will be hosted by His Excellency Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda on 5th and 6th September 2016, is touted as the largest investment platform specifically designed for African social and economic development. Rwanda will host the Summit in conjunction with Mr. Sindiso Ngwenya, Secretary-General of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), with the support of notable organisations such as NEPAD, UNECA and the African Forum.

The Summit, which has welcomed over 10 Heads of State as Keynote Speakers over the last 3 years, will this year also focus on bringing investors into the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC) region. The Honourable Pelonomi Venson-Moitoi will be the Keynote Speaker for the Summit Session with the theme "Fuelling Economic Growth Sustainably - Unlocking Africa's Economic and Social Potential to Achieve Long-Term Sustainability and Growth", and will highlight the importance of foreign direct investment into Botswana and the SADC region in her presentation.

The Honourable Minister is expected to return to Gaborone on 7th September 2016.

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