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INAUGURAL BOTSWANA-CHINA JOINT IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Gaborone, 21 May, 2019: The Ministry of International Affairs and Cooperation wishes to inform that the Vice Minister of Commerce from the People's Republic of China, His Excellency Mr. Qian Keming will undertake a one-day official visit to Botswana on 22 May 2019. The Vice Minister will attend the Inaugural Session of the Botswana- China Joint Committee on Economy, Trade, Investment and Technical Cooperation being held on **22 May 2019** in Gaborone.

The Joint Committee will be Chaired by the Acting Minister of International Affairs and Cooperation, Honourable Nonfo Molefhi, and co-Chaired by Vice Minister of Commerce from the People's Republic of China, His Excellency Mr. Qian Keming. The meeting follows the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding on Economic, Trade, Investment and Technical Cooperation between Botswana and China in August 2018, during the State Visit to China by His Excellency the President, Dr. Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi

The main objective of this Memorandum is to coordinate and promote the implementation of cooperation in the fields of economy, trade, investment and human resource development. As such, the Joint Committee will provide oversight on Botswana projects with China.

The Vice Minister and his delegation will depart Gaborone on 23rd May, 2019

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