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## **PRESS RELEASE**

The Office of the President wishes to inform members of the public that with respect to the publication that has been made in official calendars and diaries, showing Tuesday  $2^{nd}$  July 2019 as a public holiday, the Government of Botswana would like to clarify that such is not the case.

Although the date in question was declared a public holiday in 2018, the same does not apply in 2019 as  $Section\ 2\ (1)\ (i)$  of the Public Holidays Act provides that, if a public holiday falls on a Sunday, then the following Monday shall be observed as a holiday.

Therefore, on the basis of the foregoing, the public is advised that since Sir Seretse Khama Day will be observed on Monday 01<sup>st</sup> July 2019, Tuesday 02<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 is not legally provided for as a public holiday.

Any inconvenience caused by this error, is highly regretted.

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