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PRESS RELEASE

HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT APPOINTS BOTSWANA ENVOY TO ZAMBIA

GABORONE, 30 July 2019: The Ministry of International Affairs and Cooperation wishes to announce that His Excellency the President, Dr. Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi, has appointed Mr. Alpheus Matlhaku as Botswana's High-Commissioner-designate to the Republic of Zambia.

Mr. Matlhaku brings to the Foreign Service a wealth of experience and knowledge spanning over 30 years. He has worked for the Government of Botswana from 1976 in various professional capacities. Mr. Matlhaku joined the Civil Service as an Economist in the then Ministry of Finance and Development Planning, rising to the position of Employment Coordinator and Secretary to the National Employment, Manpower and Incomes Council (NEMIC). He also served as Under Secretary in the Office of the President, and was later promoted to the position of Deputy Permanent Secretary (Development) in the same Ministry. He also served as Deputy Permanent Secretary to the then Ministry of Works, Transport and Communications and later on, as Clerk of the National Assembly.

The High Commissioner-Designate is expected to take up his appointment in the Republic of Zambia in September, 2019. He replaces the former High Commissioner of Botswana to Zambia, Mr. Lebonaamang Thanda Mokalake, who retired early this year.

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