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## **PRESS RELEASE**

## HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT TO PARTICIPATE AT THE EXTRAORDINARY SADC DOUBLE TROIKA SUMMIT

**GABORONE, 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021:** The Ministry of International Affairs and Cooperation wishes to inform that His Excellency Dr. Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi, President of the Republic of Botswana, and Chairperson of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) Organ on Politics, Defence and Security will participate at the Extraordinary SADC Double Troika Summit, scheduled for **27<sup>th</sup> May 2021**, in Maputo, Mozambique.

The Double Troika Summit will be preceded by an Extraordinary Organ Troika Summit, a Double Troika Ministerial Session and Senior Officials meeting which will be held on the same day. The Double Troika Summit will consider the report of the SADC Technical Team which was tasked to assess the threat of terrorism in Mozambique by the Extraordinary SADC Double Troika Summit of 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

The Extraordinary Double Troika Summit will be attended by Mozambique (current Chair of SADC); Malawi (Incoming Chair); United Republic of Tanzania (Outgoing Chair); Botswana (current Chair of the SADC Organ); South Africa (Incoming Organ Chair) and Zimbabwe (Outgoing Organ Chair).

His Excellency the President, will be accompanied by the Minister of International Affairs and Cooperation, Honourable Dr. Lemogang Kwape and Senior Government Officials.

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