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HONOURABLE DR. LEMOGANG KWAPE TO HOST THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE DURING HIS COURTESY VISIT TO BOTSWANA

GABORONE, 17th **May 2021**: The Ministry of International Affairs and Cooperation wishes to inform that Honourable Dr. Lemogang Kwape, Minister of International Affairs and Cooperation, will host the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade of the Republic of Zimbabwe, His Excellency Ambassador Dr. Frederick Shava, on **18**th **May 2021** in Gaborone.

Honourable Shava will be in Botswana for one day as part of his courtesy visits to SADC countries following his appointment as the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in February 2021. The two Ministers are expected to discuss issues of mutual interest, including agenda issues before the SADC Organ on Politics, Defence and Security.

Botswana and Zimbabwe enjoy longstanding bilateral relations underpinned by close cultural, historical and familial ties. As strategic partners, the two countries cooperate in various fields, including defence and security, health, tourism, trade and investment, and agriculture.

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