

PROMOTING BOTSWANA'S INTERESTS ABROAD

ENGAGEMENTS AT HEADQUARTERS

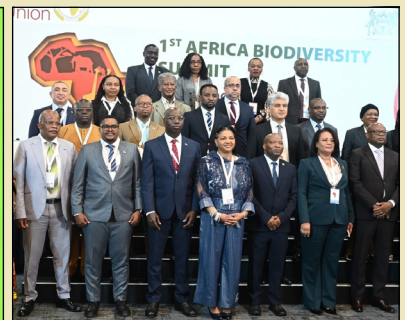
BOTSWANA REAFFIRMS COMMITMENT TO MULTILATERALISM AT AFRICA BIODIVERSITY SUMMIT

The Minister of Environment and Tourism, Honourable Wynter Mmolotsi, this morning addressed the ministerial segment of the ongoing Africa Biodiversity Summit, reaffirming Botswana's commitment to the principles of multilateralism.

He announced that Botswana would become a full party to the Maputo Convention, urging other Member States to also accede to the agreement. "It is essential that we build frameworks that are both technically sound and culturally relevant, ensuring that they empower communities while safeguarding our environment," said Minister Mmolotsi.

In his remarks, Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development, Sustainable Environment and Blue Economy at the African Union, H.E. Moses Vilakati, emphasised that the meeting underscores Africa's Agenda 2063, particularly its vision of investing in nature-based solutions. He highlighted the importance of ensuring that African countries play their role in sustaining biodiversity, stating:

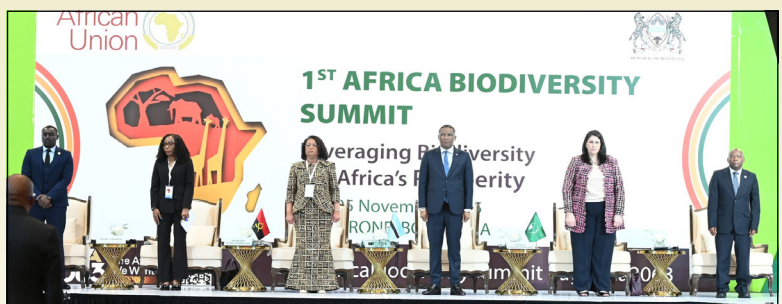
"The world needs Africa, and Africa needs the world to believe in its transformative programmes," said Commissioner Vilakati.



PRESIDENT BOKO CALLS FOR ALIGNMENT OF BIODIVERSITY STRATEGIES ACROSS AFRICA

President of the Republic of Botswana, Advocate Duma Gideon Boko, in his address at the recently concluded 1st Africa Biodiversity Summit, emphasized the importance of developing and aligning national biodiversity strategies and action plans with the Africa Strategy and Action Plan as well as other global biodiversity instruments. He noted that such alignment is essential to ensure a commonality of purpose and coordinated action across the continent.

President Boko further underscored that the central issue for Africa lies in improving citizen livelihoods and ensuring that people benefit from the continent's rich biodiversity. He stressed that biodiversity conservation must serve as a foundation for creating sustainable jobs and driving inclusive economic growth through the efforts of regional economic communities, civil society, the private sector, and international partners.



BOTSWANA RECEIVED THE SECOND AND FINAL CONSIGNMENT OF ANTI-RETROVIRAL MEDICATION FROM THE REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE.

On 6th November 2025, Botswana received the second and final consignment of Anti-retroviral medication from the Republic of Zimbabwe, under the loan (80%)-donation (20%) arrangement.

The consignment was welcomed at CMS by, among others, the Ambassador of Zimbabwe to Botswana H.E. Batiraishe Henry Mukonoweshuro, Ambassador of Botswana to Zimbabwe H.E. Sarah Molosiwa.

Botswana and Zimbabwe enjoy strong bonds of friendship and cooperation based on mutual interests, shared historical and cultural ties.

Cooperation between the two countries covers a wide range of areas including health, agriculture, defence and security, education, energy, environment, mining, tourism, as well as trade and investment from the Education sector.



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ENGAGEMENTS AT DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS

BOTSWANA MISSION IN FRANCE

BOTSWANA DELEGATION AT THE 43RD SESSION OF UNESCO GENERAL CONFERENCE

Botswana delegation at the 43rd Session of UNESCO General Conference held in Samarkand, Uzbekistan. Honourable Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education, Ms Nono Kgafela-Mokoka led the Botswana delegation to a historic UNESCO 43rd General Conference held outside headquarters for the first time in forty (40) years.

Hon. Minister is accompanied by Charge d'affaires, Mr. Tshepo Mogotsi, Deputy Permanent Secretary-Education Support, Mr. Matshediso Steve Bothasitse and other Government senior officials. The General Conference appointed Ambassador Khondker M. Talha, Ambassador of Bangladesh to France and Permanent delegate of Bangladesh to UNESCO, as the new Chairperson of the 43rd General Conference for the period of two (2) years.

On the 5th November 2025, the General Conference will also appoint the new Director General of UNESCO Dr. Khaled El-Enany from Egypt. On the margins of the 43rd General Conference, Hon. Minister held bilateral meetings with the Assistant Director General (ADG) for culture, Mr. Ernesto Ottone Ramirez, ADG for Education, Ms. Stefania Giannini and two Directors from the Education sector.



BOTSWANA MISSION IN BRAZIL

AMBASSADOR ATTEND THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL COAL CONGRESS

The Ambassador of the Republic of Botswana to the Federative Republic of Brazil, Her Excellency Benetia Tumelo Chingapane, attended the First International Coal Congress held in Maracaibo, Zulia State in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela from 28-30 October 2025.

The objective of the Coal Congress centered on boosting the country's coal production and export capacity, diversifying its economy away from oil, and establishing strategic alliances within the global mining industry. The Congress also aimed to attract industry captains in the mining industry and explore possibilities for establishing strategic partnerships to develop Venezuela's coal reserves.

Botswana's participation in the Congress focused on knowledge sharing and technology transfer since Botswana is also a coal producing country. How Botswana could benchmark on mining technology and transportation processes utilised in Venezuela which could assist Botswana to produce clean energy for both domestic consumption and export. Botswana has an estimated 212 billion tons of coal reserves.



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MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
"Promoting Botswana's Interests Abroad"

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Show: Botswana Tonight

📅 06th November 2025

INTERVIEW

FOCUS: THE AU PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL (AU PSC) AND BOTSWANA'S ROLE AS CHAIR OF THE AU PSC

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Ambassador Legwaila Joseph M. J. Legwaila
May his soul rest in peace.*

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STATE VISIT

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11th - 13th November 2025

Her Excellency Mrs. Droupadi Murmu

President of the Republic of India

Welcome to Botswana



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