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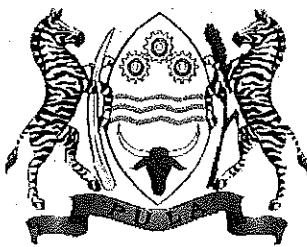
The enclosed communication, available in English and French, is transmitted to the permanent missions of the States Members of the United Nations at the request of the Minister of International Affairs and Cooperation of Botswana and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Comoros.

18 October 2018

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La communication ci-jointe, disponible en anglais et en français, est transmise aux missions permanentes des États Membres de l'Organisation des Nations Unies à la demande du Ministre des affaires étrangères du Botswana et des comores.

Le 18 octobre 2018



Republic of Botswana



Union of the Comoros

26 September, 2018

Excellency,

We have the honor to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Botswana and the Government of the Union of the Comoros have established diplomatic relations as of today, 26 September 2018. Attached is the Joint Communiqué we have signed on behalf of our respective Governments to this effect.

We therefore kindly request Your Excellency to circulate this letter and the enclosed Joint Communiqué to all Member States of the United Nations for their information.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

DONE at NEW YORK, USA this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA

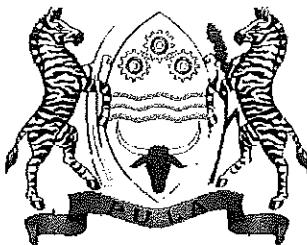
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HON. DR. UNITY DOW  
Minister of International Affairs  
and Cooperation

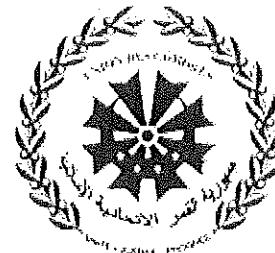
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S.E. M. SOUEF MOHAMED EL-AMINE  
Minister of Foreign Affairs and  
International Cooperation



Republic of Botswana



Union of the Comoros

**JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ ON THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS  
BETWEEN  
THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA  
AND  
THE UNION OF THE COMOROS**

The Government of the Republic of Botswana and the Government of the Union of the Comoros, desirous of promoting and strengthening the relations of friendship and cooperation existing between the two countries, have decided to establish diplomatic relations as of the date of the signing of this Joint Communiqué.

The Government of the Republic of Botswana and the Government of the Union of the Comoros reaffirm their common adherence and commitment to the principles of non-alignment, principles and purposes enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and the provisions of international law, particularly in the promotion of international peace and security, respect for the sovereignty and independence of States, and non-interference in their internal affairs.

The Government of the Republic of Botswana and the Government of the Union of the Comoros have agreed to establish diplomatic relations at the Ministerial level in accordance with the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, of 18 April 1961.

In witness, thereof, the undersigned Representatives have signed this Joint Communiqué in duplicate, in the English and French languages, both texts being equally authentic.

**DONE** at NEW YORK, USA this 26<sup>th</sup> day of SEPTEMBER 2018.

**FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA**

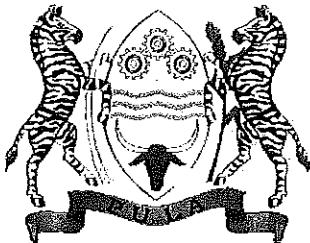
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**HON. DR. UNITY DOW**  
Minister of International Affairs  
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**FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE UNION OF THE COMOROS**

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**S.E. M. SOUEF MOHAMED EL-AMINE**  
Minister of Foreign Affairs and  
International Cooperation



Republic of Botswana



Union des Comores

## COMMUNIQUÉ CONJOINT SUR L'ÉTABLISSEMENT DE RELATIONS DIPLOMATIQUES ENTRE LA RÉPUBLIQUE DU BOTSWANA ET L'UNION DES COMORES

Le Gouvernement de la République du Botswana et le Gouvernement de l'Union des Comores, désireux de promouvoir et de renforcer les relations d'amitié et de coopération existant entre les deux pays, ont décidé d'établir des relations diplomatiques à compter de la date de signature de ce communiqué conjoint.

Le gouvernement de la République du Botswana et le gouvernement de l'Union des Comores réaffirment leur adhésion et leur attachement communs aux principes de non-alignement, aux principes et aux objectifs inscrits dans la Charte des Nations Unies ainsi qu'aux dispositions du droit international, en particulier la promotion de la paix et de la sécurité internationales, le respect de la souveraineté et de l'indépendance des États et la non-ingérence dans leurs affaires intérieures.

Le Gouvernement de la République du Botswana et le Gouvernement de l'Union des Comores ont convenu d'établir des relations diplomatiques au niveau ministériel conformément à la Convention de Vienne sur les relations diplomatiques du 18 avril 1961. En foi de quoi, les représentants soussignés ont signé le présent communiqué conjoint en deux exemplaires, en anglais et en français, les deux textes faisant également foi.

FAIT à NEW YORK, USA le 26 SEPTEMBRE 2018.

POUR LE GOUVERNEMENT DE  
LA RÉPUBLIQUE DU BOTSWANA

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HON. DR. UNITY DOW

Ministre des affaires internationales  
et de la coopération

POUR LE GOUVERNEMENT DE  
L'UNION DES COMORES

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S.E. M. SOUEF MOHAMED EL-AMINE

Ministre des affaires étrangères  
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