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Award Ceremony for Japan's Radio Day to Hon. Mr. Kabo Morwaeng

Gaborone, 22 June 2023 – On Japan's Radio Day, the Minister of State President of the Republic of Botswana, Hon. Mr. Kabo Morwaeng received an award from H.E. Mr. MATSUMOTO Takeaki, Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications of Japan.

On the 22nd June, at the Ministry for State President, H.E. Mr. OHMORI Setsuo, Ambassador of Japan to Botswana, handed the certificate to Minister Morwaeng in recognition of his contribution to the development of the Japanese Terrestrial Digital Broadcasting System (ISDB-T) in the Republic of Botswana, making it the first country to adopt the system and achieving a complete transition to digital broadcasting in October 2022.

During the ceremony, Minister Morwaeng appreciated Japan for its contribution to the developing partnership with Botswana, saying that he expected further cooperation in the broadcasting sector.

H.E. Major General, Gotsileene Morake, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Japan, attended the award ceremony held in Tokyo, Japan on 1st June 2023, and received the certificate on Minister Morwaeng's behalf.

Hon. Morwaeng is the second official from Botswana to receive the award after His Excellency Dr. Mokgweetsi Eric Masisi, President of the Republic of Botswana, was honoured in 2013, when he was the Minister of Presidential Affairs and Public Administration. President Masisi, in his then capacity, contributed to the promotion of the digitalization of terrestrial broadcasting in Botswana (making it the first African country to adopt the ISDB-T system).



Hon. Mr. Morwaeng, Minister of State President (Centre)

Hon. Mr. Mthimkhulu, Assistant Minister of State President (Left)

H.E. Mr. Ohmori, Ambassador of Japan to Botswana (Right)



Amb. Mr. Ohmori reading the certificate to Minister Morwaeng