



## BOTSWANA STOCK EXCHANGE

# PRESS RELEASE

### Kopano Bolokwe Steps in as Acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

#### For Immediate Release, 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2024:

1. Following the appointment of Mr. Kopano Bolokwe to the position of Acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO), as announced on 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2024, the Board wishes to further announce that Kopano will officially commence his duties effective 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024.
2. Commenting on the appointment, Ms. Neo Mooki, the Board Chairperson said: "We are pleased to welcome Kopano as our interim CEO. With exceptionally rich, professional and leadership experience, as well as understanding of the BSE culture, we have confidence that Kopano will provide the much-needed leadership that will steer the Company towards the attainment of its strategic vision. I pledge to him the unwavering support of the Board"
3. In accepting his appointment Kopano said: "It is a great honour and privilege to serve the BSE Limited at the helm, and I am humbled by this token of confidence from the Board and Shareholders. Undoubtedly, it is as result of the investment and exposure that my predecessors gave me. It is through the

*relentless collegiality of my colleagues in advancing enterprise wide-operational excellence that I have professionally progressed to this extent. On this note, I am reminded of Sir Isaac Newtown's saying that, "If I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants", including the giants within our realm of stakeholders. As an organisation, we have strengthened our foundation for our next phase of growth as we continue to be guided by a compelling vision to become a world-class securities exchange. With the support of our Board, Shareholders and Staff, I am excited to drive this vision forward to help propel Botswana towards a high-income economy".*

4. Lastly, the Board wishes to inform stakeholders that the recruitment of the substantive CEO is ongoing, and the appointment of the substantive CEO will be communicated in due course.

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