



Bank of Botswana

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PUBLIC NOTICE

FAKE FACEBOOK ACCOUNT PURPORTING TO BE OF GOVERNOR OF BANK OF BOTSWANA, MR MOSES PELAELO AND UNAUTHORISED USE OF BANK OF BOTSWANA LOGO/FACEBOOK

Bank of Botswana (Bank) would like to warn the public of a fake Facebook account purporting to be that of Governor, Mr Moses Pelaelo and, without authority, linked to the Bank of Botswana Facebook. The Bank disassociates itself from the page and the fake content posted therein, which is not in line with the Bank of Botswana mandate.

The Facebook page, Governor Moses Pelaelo_ Bank of Botswana, is used to peddle a scam advertising a fraudulent investment opportunity. The fake account uses certain high-profile individuals and entities, including His Excellency the President, Dr Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi, to lure unsuspecting members of the public to invest money in this scam. Furthermore, the advertisement promises unrealistic returns on investment and falsely alleges endorsement by the Botswana Government.

The Bank, therefore, advises the public to ignore the fake Facebook page and its content as it is false and misleading; it is neither authorised by the Bank nor in any way linked to Government and/or endorsed by any public agency in Botswana. The Bank is never involved in financial transactions nor partnerships with individuals or commercial entities, in the manner stated, nor is the Bank of Botswana involved in a mobile banking. Therefore, the public is cautioned to be aware of this misinformation intended to deceive and defraud unsuspecting members of the public. Furthermore, the public should neither act on the content posted on that page, respond nor follow such pages.

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