

REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA

ADMINISTRATION JUSTICE

PRESS RELEASE

RE: Appointment of Hon. Justice O. B. K Dingake to position of Judge of the Residual Special Court for Sierra Leone

- 1. The Administration of Justice has the honour to inform the nation that on the 16th of October, 2013, the Secretary General of the United Nations, BAN Ki-moon, appointed Hon. Justice Dr. OBK Dingake to the roster of Judges of the Residual Special Court of Sierra Leone.
- 2. The Residual Special Court of Sierra Leone continues the mandate of the Special Court for Sierra Leone, a judicial body that was set up by the United Nations and the government of Sierra Leone to preside over the prosecution of persons who bear the greatest responsibility for serious violations of International Humanitarian Law, committed in Sierra Leone after the 30th of November, 1996, and during the Sierra Leone civil war. The court lists offices in Freetown and The Hague.
- 3. This assignment is an affirmation of the highest confidence the international community have in the judicial system and the Government of Botswana.
- 4. Hon Justice Dr. Dingake is a jurist and scholar of international repute. His career path straddles academia, corporate world and the judiciary.
- 5. We have all the confidence that Judge Dingake will execute his assignment with fairness and integrity and make us all proud.
- 6. This appointment is not a full-time assignment, and Judge Dingake will sit from time to time as may be required by the President of the Court.
- 7. The Chief Justice takes this opportunity on behalf of the entire judiciary and the people of Botswana to wish Hon. Justice Dr. Dingake all the best in his new international assignment.

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