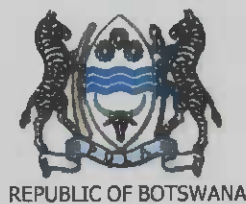


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ADDITIONAL DIVISION OF THE HIGH COURT AT MAUN

1. The public is duly informed that an additional Division of the High Court has been established at Maun and is currently operating from the Maun Magistrate's Court premises, pending relocation to the new premises at Plot 126 Boseja Ward, adjacent to Maun Supplies Depot.
2. On the 5th of February 2019 at the Opening of the Legal Year, the Hon Chief Justice informed the nation that the Judiciary will be opening a court at Maun. This commitment has now been put in place and registration of cases has commenced.
3. In terms of Section 95(4) of the Constitution of Botswana as read with Order 77 Rule 5 of the Rules of the High Court, the Hon Chief Justice has designated Court 4, at Maun Magistrates Court as a seat of the High Court with effect from Wednesday 4th December 2019.
4. The High Court is the High Court for the whole of Botswana and as such one can register a case in any of the four High Court Divisions. However, for those members of the public residing at Maun and its surrounding areas it will be expedient for them to use this Division instead of travelling long distances to Francistown, Gaborone and Lobatse to access High Court services and facilities.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 9th DAY OF DECEMBER 2019

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