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CELEBRATORY EARLY RELEASE – MONDAY 4TH MAY, 2026

In celebration of the remarkable achievement of Team Botswana in securing a historic Gold Medal in the 4x400m Debswana World Athletics Relays Gaborone 2026, the Government extends its heartfelt congratulations to the athletes and their coaches for this outstanding feat of excellence, discipline, and national pride. This milestone has brought immense prestige and global recognition to the Republic of Botswana.

In recognition of this impressive performance and as a tribute to the team's dedication, the Government has approved an early release of Public Officers. Accordingly, all Public Officers are released from duty at **1245hrs** to join the nation in celebrating this historic moment.

To those worked tirelessly behind the scenes, your efforts are deeply appreciated.

In implementing this decision, Accounting Officers are requested to ensure that skeletal staff remain on duty to minimize disruption to service delivery.

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