

**For Immediate Release**

**CAAB REINSTATES AIR BOTSWANA ERJ170 AIRCRAFT**

**Gaborone, 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022:** The Civil Aviation Authority of Botswana (CAAB), today reinstated the Certificate of Airworthiness on Air Botswana ERJ170 Aircraft registration A2-ABM grounded on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022 over safety concerns.

Air Botswana has submitted all required records of completed inspections and tasks recommended by the aircraft manufacturer and CAAB. The Authority reviewed the submissions and determined that all recommended tasks have been satisfactorily completed.

Members of the public are therefore informed that the Air Botswana ERJ170 is back in service.

CAAB remains dedicated to ensuring the safety of passengers, crew, and those on the ground.

**Ends.**

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## **EDITORS NOTES:**

### **ABOUT CAAB**

*The Civil Aviation Authority of Botswana (CAAB) is responsible for the regulation and development of air transport, providing air navigation services, managing airports and advising Government on all aspects of civil aviation.*

*It is a Statutory Corporation established by the Civil Aviation Act of 2004 and commenced full operations as an autonomous regulator on 1st April 2009. The continued existence of CAAB was provided for by the Civil Aviation Act, 2011 which repealed the previous Act establishing the Authority. Before its establishment, most of its functions were performed by the former Department of Civil Aviation (DCA).*

*CAAB under its airport's management portfolio, is responsible for the operational oversight of Sir Seretse Khama, Kasane, PG Matante and Maun International Airports as well as the Selibe-Phikwe and Ghanzi Airport. The Authority is also responsible for strategic airfields dotted across the country, which are essential in cases of emergency rescues and are useful for the tourism sector.*

*In 2016, the CAAB was recognised by the European Union and bequeathed an award by the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO), both for the Botswana's progress in resolving safety oversight deficiencies and continued improvement of the effective implementation (EI) of applicable ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPS) ranking Botswana well above the world average.*