BANK OF BOTSWANA

Press Release

COUNTERFEIT BANKNOTES IN CIRCULATION

The public is hereby informed that counterfeit P10 banknotes have been

discovered in circulation.

The counterfeit note is a photo/scanned copy of a genuine banknote and

hence, the shinny metallic windowed security thread appears as grey

patches on the front of the banknote. The portrait on the counterfeit is

black/grey instead of the green colour. The counterfeit banknotes

generally appear darker than the genuine P10 banknote. Also, the P10

counterfeit banknote is printed on a paper that closely approximates a

genuine banknote material but is slightly thicker and coarser than ordinary

printing paper and does not illuminate under ultra violet light.

The public is urged to be vigilant and exercise care when accepting

banknotes of all denominations. Suspicious banknotes should be

reported to the nearest Police station or Bank of Botswana offices.

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