

# **BANK OF BOTSWANA**

## **Press Release**

### **COUNTERFEIT P100 AND P200 BANKNOTES IN CIRCULATION**

The public is hereby alerted of the existence of P100 and P200 counterfeits in circulation. The counterfeits are copies of a genuine P100 banknote bearing serial number AC1211512 and P200 banknotes bearing serial numbers AB2795795 and AB4992387. Both the holographic stripe and the windowed security thread appear as dark patches on the front and back of the counterfeits. Furthermore, the counterfeits are made of ordinary commercial paper, and therefore, have a smooth surface when compared to genuine banknotes.

The public is urged to be vigilant and exercise caution when accepting banknotes from any source, and should closely examine its security features. Any suspicious banknotes discovered should immediately, be reported to the nearest Police station or Bank of Botswana offices in Gaborone or Francistown.

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