BANK OF BOTSWANA

PRESS RELEASE

DYE-STAINED BANKNOTES WARNING

The Bank of Botswana has been informed that there was a robbery in Selibe-Phikwe on Saturday November 27, 2004, involving approximately P76 000 in various denominations. The Bank has confirmed that smoke boxes were used to transport the money. While it is not yet known how well the smoke-boxes worked and, therefore, how much of the money was dye-stained, the Bank wishes to alert the public that the criminals may try to put the affected banknotes into circulation. The public is reminded to be vigilant and refrain from accepting, possessing and circulating such notes.

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