

# **Establishment of the Directorate of Intelligence and Security**

## 4. Establishment and composition of Directorate

(1) There is established, under the Office of the President, a Directorate to be known as the Directorate of Intelligence and Security.

(2) The Directorate shall comprise—

- (a) a Director General;
- (b) a Deputy Director General;
- (c) directors; and
- (d) such other officers and support staff as are referred to in section 10.

## 5. Functions of Directorate

(1) Subject to subsection (3), the functions of the Directorate are to—

(a) investigate, gather, co-ordinate, evaluate, correlate, interpret, disseminate and store information, whether inside or outside Botswana, for the purposes of—

(i) detecting and identifying any threat or potential threat to national security,

(ii) advising the President and the Government of any threat or potential threat to national security,

(iii) taking steps to protect the security interests of Botswana whether political, military or economic;

(b) gather ministerial intelligence at the request of any Government ministry, department or agency and, without delay, to evaluate and transmit as appropriate to that ministry, department or agency, such intelligence and any other intelligence at the disposal of the Directorate which constitutes ministerial intelligence;

(c) regulate, in co-operation with any Government ministry, department or agency entrusted with any aspect of the maintenance of national security, the flow of intelligence and security, and the co-ordination between the Directorate and that ministry, department or agency of functions relating to such intelligence;

(d) advise Government, public bodies and statutory bodies on the protection of vital installations and classified documents;

(e) carry out security vetting investigations for the security clearance of persons who have or may have access to any sensitive or classified information;

(f) make recommendations to the President in connection with—

(i) policies concerning intelligence and security,

(ii) intelligence and security priorities, and

(iii) security measures in Government ministries, departments or agencies;

(g) provide personal protection to the former President, the former President's immediate family, the President, the President's immediate family, the Vice-President, the Vice-President's immediate family, visiting dignitaries and such other persons as the President may determine; and

(h) subject to any other written law, perform such other duties and functions as may, from time to time, be determined by the President to be in the national interest.