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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Dear Sirs

RE: VLATACOM DOO VS MMEGI NEWSPAPER & OTHERS

1. I advise that Armstrongs Attorneys act on the instructions of Vlatacom DOO, instructed by Mr Andrija Jerinic.
2. I was instructed to institute legal proceedings in Botswana against Dikgang Publishing (Pty) Limited which trades as the Mmegi Newspaper, Tlhalefang Charles, Ntibinyane Ntibinyane, and News Company Botswana (Pty) Limited trading as the Botswana Gazette Newspaper and Lawrence Seretse ("the Defendants").
3. The legal proceedings arise out of defamatory articles which appeared in the Mmegi Newspaper and Botswana Gazette Newspaper regarding and concerning Vlatacom.
4. It was alleged in the said Newspapers that Vlatacom was awarded a Key Public Infrastructure Contract by the Botswana Government on which Vlatacom did not deliver even though it was alleged that Vlatacom was paid the full price for the Contract. It was also alleged in the article that Vlatacom had committed fraud and corruption.
5. Vlatacom denied the allegations in the newspaper and as result, instructed Armstrongs to institute legal proceedings for damages for Defamation (Libel or Slander) against all of the Defendants, being the Newspapers and the Editors of the Newspapers.
6. A Judgment was granted in favour of Vlatacom against all the Defendants on 31st January 2020.
7. The Judgment has not been appealed by any of the Defendants and has therefore become final.

Yours faithfully

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