

**Resolution on the elections in Botswana
an example of transparent election and peaceful transfer of power**

Following the results of the democratic elections held on October 30 in Botswana, President Mokgweetsi Masisi publicly acknowledged his defeat, marking the end of the BDP's dominance since the country gained independence from the United Kingdom in 1966. In doing so, he recognized the clear and significant victory of candidate Duma Boko from the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) party, stating that he will take all necessary steps to ensure a peaceful transfer of power before the inauguration and commendably declared that he would "continue to serve the country's interests within the framework of our Constitution."

Thus,

IDC – CDI expresses its satisfaction with outgoing President Masisi for his immediate, voluntary, public, and clear recognition of his defeat, and his commitment to the transfer of power.

IDC – CDI congratulates the people of Botswana for their widespread and peaceful participation and especially the opposition parties, who now hold the majority of 31 seats in Parliament. So far, the UDC has secured over twenty seats, the Botswana Congress Party (BCP) has won eight seats, and the Botswana Patriotic Front (BPF) has achieved four seats.

IDC – CDI celebrates this outcome as a noteworthy example of democratic consolidation that should serve as a model for other African nations in the permanent establishment of the Rule of Law and Democracy as a cornerstone of stability, security, and peaceful coexistence for societies and regions across the continent.

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