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## Letshego Team Returns from Football 5-A-Side World Cup

- Letshego 5-A-Side team return home from Football 5-A-Side World Cup after representing Botswana
- Team celebrated for advancing this far in competitive platform
- Preparations begin for training at Anfield, Liverpool, on December 9<sup>th</sup>

**GABORONE:** The Letshego 5-A-Side Football Team returns home after flying Botswana's flag high as they represented the Nation in the Football 5-A-Side World Cup (F5WC) in Cape Town, South Africa. The team returned home to great applause and pride, despite not progressing beyond their third F5WC game, for having shown great determination and commitment in every match.

**Letshego Botswana's Chief Executive Officer, Fergus Ferguson** said, "We celebrate our boys as we welcome them home. It was a tough tournament, and they have made us proud. They return home champions in our hearts and minds regardless of the final outcome, for their teamwork, perseverance and unwavering commitment to the game has truly made us all proud."

The F5WC is a global initiative that aims to select talented, amateur football players through regional 5-A-Side matches who then compete at the world finals. The 5-A-Side World Cup attracted 32 countries from all over the world and featured some of the best players from every country. The Letshego team represented Botswana and played three matches in total, beating Ecuador 1-3, before losing to South Africa 1-3 and Uruguay 0-4

**Letshego 5-Aside Team Captain, Mmoloki Njamela said,** "Going into the world finals, we knew it wouldn't be an easy win. We knew we were up against the very best and were playing in a tough group. No matter what, we went out there and did our best. We might not have won, but we are not coming home empty handed; we are returning with skills, techniques and experience which will help us to improve and evolve so that next time, we bring the cup home. Thank you for the support, BW!"

The Captain went on to thank the Letshego family, and Batswana across the board who showed tremendous support, sharing well wishes across social media and in response to local press. The team's next outing will be a series of training sessions from the Liverpool FC coaches at Anfield in the United Kingdom from November 30<sup>th</sup> 2018.

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Notes to the Editor

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