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The Embassy of Japan in Botswana and the Southern African Development Community (SADC) Secretariat jointly inform all media houses that the Government of Japan and SADC have signed a Memorandum on Cooperation (MoC) on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 at 11:00 am at the SADC Headquarters in Gaborone.

The objective of this MoC is to provide a framework for cooperation between SADC and the Government of Japan, and to strengthen relations towards attaining common goals.

The scope of cooperation under this memorandum will cover various areas that include infrastructure, trade, investment, tourism, energy, ICT, agriculture, environmental issues and political dialogue, among others.

We hope that through this Memorandum, which is another development following the Japan-SADC Infrastructure Investment Seminar held in Tokyo in March 2012, cooperation towards the development of the SADC region will be further enhanced.

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