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The Secretary General
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Attention: Ms Merlini Piipuu

Dear Madam,

**RE: EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE FOR CONTINUED COOPERATION AND
KNOWLEDGE SHARING BETWEEN ESTONIA AND BOTSWANA**

On behalf of the **Ministry of Child Welfare and Basic Education**, the Ministry responsible for relations with UNESCO, I wish to convey our sincere appreciation to the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Estonia for the continued gestures of cooperation and collaboration extended to Botswana through the Estonia National Commission for UNESCO and the Botswana National Commission for UNESCO.

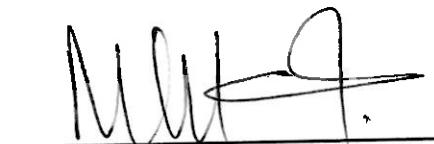
Botswana highly commends Estonia for its exemplary spirit of community, partnership, and knowledge sharing. This has been demonstrated through the consistent availability of Estonian experts in the creative and cultural industries (CCI) sector who have travelled to Botswana to engage with Batswana, share experiences, and impart practical insights drawn from Estonia's successful journey in building a vibrant and globally competitive creative economy.

In this regard, we wish to express our profound gratitude for Estonia's generous support in **wholly funding two CCI workshops**, including a **recently concluded intervention**. This gesture reflects Estonia's deep commitment to meaningful cooperation, capacity building, and mutual learning, and has had a tangible impact in strengthening local skills, professional dialogue, and inspiration within Botswana's creative community, particularly in areas such as film, storytelling, heritage documentation, and cultural entrepreneurship.

Such collaboration embodies the core principles of UNESCO, notably international solidarity, knowledge exchange, and partnership for sustainable development. The support and leadership of the Ministry of Culture of Estonia are highly valued, and the Estonia–Botswana partnership stands as a model of effective cooperation between Member States and National Commissions for UNESCO.

Please accept, Madam, the assurances of our highest consideration and our continued commitment to further strengthening this valued partnership.

Yours sincerely,



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