

BOTSWANA RIVAL PARTY ACCUSED OF AIDING MNR

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THE vice-president and chairman of the ruling Botswana Democratic Party, Mr Peter Mmusi has expressed fears that the opposition Botswana National Front might be turning itself into a bandit group like the Mozambique National Resistance (MNR).

The MNR is waging acts of banditry against the legitimate government of Mozambique, destroying infrastructures and destabilising the economy.

Addressing a BDP political by-election rally here for the Ngwaketse South constituency, Mr Mmusi said: "It is becoming evident that the BNF will resort to violence as stated in their pamphlet No. 1, that power cannot only be attained through elections, but also through the barrel of the gun."

The BNF, according to Mr Mmusi, never appreciates the efforts and developments brought about by the BDP, but it is persistently opposing every move taken by the BDP. Mr Mmusi called on Ngwaketse South voters to return a BDP candidate, Mr Duke Pule in the Saturday by-election because he is a capable and competent person to lead the people.

He said Mr Pule, a businessman has always been the servant of the people. He added that Mr Pule served as a treasurer for the Ngwaketse district council, which is a post demanding responsibility.

He also said Botswana had an excellent economic record and had never failed to honour its debt obligations.

He called on another opposition party, the Botswana Peoples Party to withdraw its candidate from the elections since it had failed to address meetings in the constituency. — Ziama-Bopa.

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