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Body is flown to Botswana

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THE body of Prof. Z. K. Matthews, the Botswana Ambassador to Washington, was flown back to Botswana yesterday for the funeral tomorrow.

The United States C.135 military transport plane brought the remains of the 66-year-old Ambassador — who died on Saturday — to Jan Smuts Airport on Wednesday night. Yesterday the coffin was flown to Gaborone in a light aircraft supplied by the United States Military Attache in South Africa.

The diplomat's widow, Mrs Freda Matthews, was also on the flight, together with her daughter, Mrs Pauline Mgcakani, and her three young children, as well as Mr Edward Clark, of the U.S. State Department, Mr Christopher Dambe, first secretary at the Botswana Embassy in Washington, and Dr Albert Mohale, the Lesotho Ambassador who will be representing the African diplomatic corps in Washington at the funeral. — Sapa.