



**FIFTH PARLIAMENT
OF
THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE
FIRST SESSION, 2018/2019
FIRST MEETING OF PARLIAMENT
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**



THE RT. HONOURAB SPEAKER, DR ABASS CHERNOR BUNDU IN THE CHAIR

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FRIDAY

3RD AUGUST, 2018

THE HOUSE MET AT 10:40 A.M.

I. ATTENDANCE

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:

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| 1. HON. ABDULAI OSMAN CHARLES | (CONST. 079 BO DIST.) |
| 2. HON. ALU-CONTEH ALUSINE KAINDE | (CONST. 125 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 3. HON. AMARA HAJA MIATTA | (CONST. 112 WESTERN RURAL) |
| 4. HON. ANSUMANA ALOYSIOUS BOCKARIE | (CONST. 005 KAILAHUN DIST.) |
| 5. HON. ARUNA MASSAY NGAHINTEH | (CONST. 085 BO DIST.) |
| 6. HON. BAH CHERNOR R.M. | (CONST. 126 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 7. HON. BANGURA CECILIA MABINTY | (CONST. 065 KARENE DIST.) |
| 8. HON. BANGURA HARIYATU ARIANA | (CONST. 116 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 9. HON. BANGURA IBRAHIM AZIZ | (CONST. 076 PORT LOKO DIST.) |
| 10. HON. BANGURA MOHAMED | (CONST. 066 KARENE DIST.) |
| 11. HON. BANGURA ROSEMARIE | (CONST. 055 TONKOLILI DIST.) |
| 12. HON. BANYA SARTY | (CONST. 004 KAILAHUN DIST.) |
| 13. HON. BHENDU SAA FRANCIS | (CONST. 027 KONO DIST.) |
| 14. HON. BOCKARIE MOMOH | (CONST. 012 KENEMA DIST.) |
| 15. HON. BUBU NGBAK IV P.C BAI FARAMA TASS | (KAMBIA DIST.) |
| 16. HON. CHARLES SAHR | (CONST. 028 KONO DIST.) |
| 17. HON. CONTEH IBRAHIM | (CONST. 053 TONKOLILI DIST.) |
| 18. HON. CONTEH IBRAHIM TAWA | (CONST. 132 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 19. HON. CONTEH JOHN CHARLES | (CONST. 031 BOMBALI DIST.) |
| 20. HON. CONTEH KEMOKOH | (CONST. 108 WESTERN RURAL) |
| 21. HON. CONTEH SAMBA PAUL | (CONST. 035 BOMBALI DIST.) |
| 22. HON. EDWIN MOSES ANDREW | (CONST. 090 BONTHE DIST.) |
| 23. HON. FEFEGULA SIMEON | (CONST. 096 MOYAMBA DIST.) |
| 24. HON. FOFANAH ABUBAKARR | (CONST. 016 KENEMA DIST.) |
| 25. HON. FOFANAH ABU BAKARR | (CONST. 107 WESTERN RURAL) |
| 26. HON. FOFANAH MUSA | (CONST. 023 KONO DIST.) |
| 27. HON. GBEREH III P.C. BAI SHEBORA SHEBA | (PORT LOKO DIST.) |
| 28. HON. GEORGE EDWARD | (CONST. 097 MOYAMBA DIST.) |
| 29. HON. GEVAO HINDOLO MOIWO | (CONST. 003 KAILAHUN DIST.) |
| 30. HON. GONDOR II P.C. FORAY CYRIL | (KAILAHUN DIST.) |
| 31. HON. HAFIJU MAADA KANJA (RTD. CAPT.) | (CONST. 018 KENEMA DIST.) |
| 32. HON. JALLOH MUSA BAMBA FORAY | (CONST. 056 TONKOLILI DIST.) |
| 33. HON. JALLOH OSMAN WURIE | (CONST. 109 WESTERN RURAL) |
| 34. HON. JALLOH TIMBO WUROH | (CONST. 119 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 35. HON. JORKIE MOSES BAIMBA | (CONST. 091 BONTHE DIST.) |



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36. HON. JUANA SAHR EGBINDA	(CONST. 002 KAILAHUN DIST.)
37. HON. KABBA LAMIN FODAY	(CONST. 044 KOINADUGU DIST.)
38. HON. KABIA MOHAMED	(CONST. 106 WESTERN RURAL)
39. HON. KAISAMBA FRANCIS AMARA	(CONST. 020 KENEMA DIST.)
40. HON. KALOKOH MARK MAHMOUD (DR.)	(CONST. 032 BOMBALI DIST.)
41. HON. KAMANDA KOMBA MANSAMAYO	(CONST. 024 KONO DIST.)
42. HON. KAMARA ABDUL KARIM	(CONST. 059 KAMBIA DIST.)
43. HON. KAMARA ABDUL TITUS	(CONST. 061 KAMBIA DIST.)
44. HON. KAMARA ALHASSAN JERO	(CONST. 040 FALABA DIST.)
45. HON. KAMARA ALIMAMY O.	(CONST. 078 BO DIST.)
46. HON. KAMARA ALUSINE BASH	(CONST. 067 KARENE DIST.)
47. HON. KAMARA ALUSINE OSAIO	(CONST. 058 KAMBIA DIST.)
48. HON. KAMARA BAI SAMA	(CONST. 060 KAMBIA DIST.)
49. HON. KAMARA FODAY MARIO	(CONST. 057 KAMBIA DIST.)
50. HON. KAMARA IBRAHIM	(CONST. 063 KARENE DIST.)
51. HON. KAMARA IBRAHIM BUN(DR.)	(CONST. 068 PORT LOKO DIST.)
52. HON. KAMARA JOSEPH ABDUL BASH	(CONST. 084 BO DIST.)
53. HON. KAMARA MOMOH	(CONST. 120 WESTERN URBAN)
54. HON. KAMARA REBECCA YEI	(CONST. 029 KONO DIST.)
55. HON. KAMARA SAIDU BABAH	(CONST. 071 PORT LOKO DIST.)
56. HON. KANNEH MOHAMED	(CONST. 006 KAILAHUN DIST.)
57. HON. KANU ALIMAMY BRUN	(CONST. 072 PORT LOKO DIST.)
58. HON. KANU AMADU	(CONST. 093 MOYAMBA DIST.)
59. HON. KANU RUGIATU ROSY	(CONST. 113 WESTERN URBAN)
60. HON. KARGBO ABDUL	(CONST. 077 PORT LOKO DIST.)
61. HON. KARGBO FODAY ROLAND (DR.)	(CONST. 064 KARENE DIST.)
62. HON. KARGBO IBRAHIM BEN	(CONST. 034 BOMBALI DIST.)
63. HON. KARGBO JOHN SATTIE	(CONST. 111 WESTERN RURAL)
64. HON. KARGBO PAPA ABDULAI	(CONST. 047 TONKOLILI DIST.)
65. HON. KASSEGBAMA AIAH DAVID SHEK	(CONST. 026 KONO DIST.)
66. HON. KASIM-CAREW MOHAMED SHERIFF	(CONST. 122 WESTERN URBAN)
67. HON. KEMOKAI ABU	(CONST. 103 PUJEHUN DIST.)
68. HON. KOROMA AARON ARUNA	(CONST. 048 TONKOLILI DIST.)
69. HON. KOROMA ABDUL KARIM	(CONST. 070 PORT LOKO DIST.)
70. HON. KOROMA DANIEL BRIMA	(CONST. 046 KOINADUGU DIST.)
71. HON. KOROMA MANUEL ALLIEU	(CONST. 036 BOMBALI DIST.)
72. HON. KOROMA UNPHA SORIE GBASSAY(DR.)	(CONST. 114 WESTERN URBAN)
73. HON. KOROMA YAMBA PETER	(CONST. 033 BOMBALI DIST.)
74. HON. KUMABEH ALICE JEBBEH	(CONST. 092 BONTHE DIST.)
75. HON. LAHAI MUSA	(CONST. 009 KAILAHUN DIST.)
76. HON. LAMINA EMERSON SAA	(CONST. 030 KONO DIST.)
77. HON. LANSANA FESTUS MOHAMED	(CONST. 015 KENEMA DIST.)
78. HON. LAVALIE -TSHOMBE DOMINIC JAYBEH	(CONST. 098 MOYAMBA DIST.)
79. HON. LEBBIE NENNEH	(CONST. 086 BO DIST.)



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81. HON. MACKERY YUSUF	(CONST. 087 BO DIST.)
82. HON. MAKIEU JOSEPHINE	(CONST. 014 KENEMA DIST.)
83. HON. MANSARAY ABU	(CONST. 074 PORT LOKO DIST.)
84. HON. MANSARAY AHMED	(CONST. 121 WESTERN URBAN)
85. HON. MANSARAY BRIMA	(CONST. 017 KENEMA DIST.)
86. HON. MANSARAY MOMODU ESKIMO	(CONST. 043 KOINADUGU DIST.)
87. HON. MARAH III P.C. ALIE BALANSAMA	(KOINADUGU DIST.)
88. HON. MARAH LAHAI	(CONST. 042 FALABA DIST.)
89. HON. MBRIWA II P.C. SAHR YOUNGAI KONTANDAY	(KONO DIST.)
90. HON. MUNDA BOSTON	(CONST. 021 KENEMA DIST.)
91. HON. NYUMA MATHEW SAHR	(CONST. 019 KENEMA DIST.)
92. HON. PANDA SAMUEL GENEWAI	(CONST. 010 KAILAHUN DIST.)
93. HON. PEWA P.C. PRINCE MAMBU	(KENEMA DIST.)
94. HON. ROGERS ALEX MATTIA	(CONST. 102 PUJEHUN DIST.)
95. HON. ROGERS DICKSON MOMOH	(CONST. 100 PUJEHUN DIST.)
96. HON. ROLLINGS-KAMARA SIRAJIN MUNIRR	(CONST. 127 WESTERN URBAN)
97. HON. SALIA -KONNEH QUINTIN	(CONST. 007 KAILAHUN DIST.)
98. HON. SAM PAUL SAA	(CONST. 025 KONO DIST.)
99. HON. SAMA SHIACA MUSA	(CONST. 104 PUJEHUN DIST.)
100. HON. SAMURA HAJARATU FAITH	(CONST. 117 WESTERN URBAN)
101. HON. SANDY ISHMAIL SAMA	(CONST. 080 BO DIST.)
102. HON. SANKA III P.C. BAI KURR KANAGBARO	(TONKOLILI DIST.)
103. HON. SANKOH HASSAN	(CONST. 049 TONKOLILI DIST.)
104. HON. SELLU MUSTAPHA MUSA	(CONST. 095 MOYAMBA DIST.)
105. HON. SESAY ABDOUL HASSAN	(CONST. 050 TONKOLILI DIST.)
106. HON. SESAY ABDULAI (DR.)	(CONST. 052 TONKOLILI DIST.)
107. HON. SESAY OSMAN SALLIEU	(CONST. 038 BOMBALI DIST.)
108. HON. SESAY VERONICA KADIE	(CONST. 094 MOYAMBA DIST.)
109. HON. SHAW MOHAMED BILLOH	(CONST. 039 FALABA DIST.)
110. HON. SHERIFF III P.C. ALIE BADARA	(BONTHE DIST.)
111. HON. SILIKIE BASHIRU	(CONST. 082 BO DIST.)
112. HON. SILLAH ABUBAKARR FODAY	(CONST. 128 WESTERN URBAN)
113. HON. TARAWALIE ISAAC	(CONST. 118 WESTERN URBAN)
114. HON. TARAWALLY ZAINAB CATHERINE	(CONST. 037 BOMBALI DIST.)
115. HON. THOLLEY JAMES OZAN	(CONST. 054 TONKOLILI DIST.)
116. HON. THOMAS SOLOMON SEGEPOH	(CONST. 089 BONTHE DIST.)
117. HON. TIMBO OSMAN ABDAL	(CONST. 130 WESTERN URBAN)
118. HON. TONGI EMILIA LOLLOH	(CONST. 001 KAILAHUN DIST.)
119. HON. TUCKER TOM ISSIC	(CONST. 022 KONO DIST.)
120. HON. TURAY ABDUL	(CONST. 105 WESTERN RURAL)
121. HON. TURAY AHMED SAMBA	(CONST. 073 PORT LOKO DIST.)
122. HON. TURAY ALHAJI SORIEBA	(CONST. 051 TONKOLILI DIST.)
123. HON. TURAY SHEKU MUNIRR (DR.)	(CONST. 099 PUJEHUN DIST.)



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| 124. HON. TUNIS SIDIE MOHAMED | (CONST. 101 PUJEHUN DIST.) |
| 125. HON. VANDY CHRISTOPHA KEIKURA | (CONST. 088 BO DIST.) |
| 126. HON. WILLIAMS-LAMIN JOSEPH | (CONST. 081 BO DIST.) |

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:

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| 1. HON. ALHADI LIHADI | (CONST. 123 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 2. HON. BAH ALPHA AMADU | (CONST. 115 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 3. HON. CONTEH EMMANUEL SAIDU | (CONST. 129 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 4. HON. FINOH III P.C.KANDEH | (BOMBALI DIST.) |
| 5. HON. KOROMA MEAMA KAJUE VI P.C. FATMATA HAJA BINTU | (MOYAMBA DIST.) |
| 6. HON. P.C. LANSANA- MINAH MATILDA YAYU | (PUJEHUN DIST.) |
| 7. HON. LEBBY AMBROSE MAADA | (CONST. 083 BO DIST.) |
| 8. HON. MARAH ALUSINE | (CONST. 041 FALABA DIST.) |
| 9. HON. MOIGUA PETER MUSA | (CONST. 011 KENEMA DIST.) |
| 10. HON. RAHMAN-COKER MOHAMED SHERIFF | (CONST. 131 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 11. HON. SESAY KUSAN | (CONST. 045 KOINADUGU DIST.) |
| 12. HON. SONGA BERNADETTE WUYATTA | (CONST. 008 KAILAHUN DIST.) |

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT WITH EXCUSE:

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| 1. HON. DAVIES KHADIJATU | (CONST. 110 WESTERN RURAL) |
| 2. HON. KAMARA ABDUL KARIM | (CONST. 069 PORT LOKO DIST.) |
| 3. HON. KANNEH ALUSINE | (CONST. 013 KENEMA DIST.) |
| 4. HON. MANLY-SPAIN AJIBOLA EMANUEL | (CONST. 124 WESTERN URBAN) |
| 5. HON. MARAH III P.C. FASALIE KULAKO DEMBA | (FALABA DIST.) |
| 6. HON. SESAY ABDUL LATIF | (CONST. 075 PORT LOKO DIST.) |
| 7. HON. SESAY II P.C. KANDEH WUSU | (KARENE DIST.) |
| 8. HON. YUMKELLA KANDEH KOLLEH (DR.) | (CONST. 062 KAMBIA DIST.) |



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II. PRAYERS: The Table Clerk, **Fatmata Bintu Weston**, said the prayer.

III. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 5(2) AT 11: 45 A.M. FOR COMMENCEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

Hon. Dickson M. Rogers (Const. 100 – Pujehun Dist.) moved the suspension of Standing Order 5(2). It was seconded By **Hon. Edward George (Const. 097 – Moyamba Dist.)** and approved by the House.

IV. AMENDMENT OF ORDER PAPER BY THE LEADER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

The Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Sidie M. Tunis**, craved the indulgence of the House to amend the Order Paper by the deletion of item II (**RECORD OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS FOR THURSDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 2018**). The aforementioned document was not available due to some technical problems.

V. PAPER LAID:

HON. SIDIE M. TUNIS, LEADER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.

FINANCING AGREEMENT, SIERRA LEONE AGRO COMPETITIVE PROJECT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE AND THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION WITH CREDIT NUMBER 6299SM.

Laid by the Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Sidie M. Tunis**.

VI. STANDING ORDER 23 (PERSONAL EXPLANATION)

Hon. Daniel B. Koroma – Informed the House that a consultative workshop was organized by the Legal Aid Board and the National H.I.V. Secretariat three weeks ago. Three Parliamentary



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Committees were invited namely: the Legislative, Human Right and Health Committees. The topic of discussion was about certain drugs which are trapped at the Queen Elizabeth Quay waiting to be cleared for distribution to those concerned immediately. This was as a result of some administrative problems for some months now. The Hon. Member read out a piece of information he got from AWOCO News to the House as quoted “Shipping Company CMACGM says, *it will auction HIV, TB and malaria drugs given by Global Fund, presently at Water Quay for failure to pay demurrage amounting to 125.1 million Leones.*” The Hon. Member expressed great concern over the drugs and its quality (genuine) given to Sierra Leone as a gift for those suffering from HIV, TB and malaria. He also cited the proliferation of fake drugs in the country which are hazardous to our health and called on the Parliamentary Committees mentioned above to take necessary action to address the issue. He ended by pleading with Mr. Speaker to intervene by asking the shipping company to hold on with the pending auction process.

Hon. Sidie M. Tunis (Leader of Government Business) – Responded to the issue raised by **Hon. Daniel B. Koroma**, saying he would make sure that the matter is addressed in collaboration with the Leader of the Opposition, Opposition Whip and other Parliamentary Committees.

RESPONSE BY MR. SPEAKER

In his response, Mr. Speaker called on both the Leader of Government Business and the Leader of the Opposition, including the Chairman of the Committee on Health to do a follow up on the matter and to report to the House in due course.

Continuation of S.O. 23

Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin – Expressed his sincere thanks and appreciation to staff members of Parliament for their support to Hon. Members, especially those in the Library and during the induction process.

VII. OBSERVATION BY MR. SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker observed that Hon. Members were in conformity with Section 97 (a) of the Constitution



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of Sierra Leone, Act No. 6 of 1991 (Dress code). He reminded Hon. Members that proper African attire with long sleeves is generally accepted; unlike one with short sleeves which appears to be casual and does not meet the requirement of Section 97 (a). A suit without tie is also not accepted. He ended by encouraging Hon. Members to endeavor to be properly dressed to come to Parliament. He also commended the women for elegantly dressed as always, to come for Parliamentary sittings.

Continuation of S.O. 23

Hon. Hassan Abdoul Sesay – Raised concern over the late distribution of the Order Paper for Parliamentary sittings. He called on the Leadership and the Clerk of Parliament to make sure that relevant documents are given to Hon. Members in due time so that they would have enough time to go through their documents, do research and make meaningful contributions to parliamentary debates.

Hon. Sirajin Munirr Rolling-Kamara (Const 127 – Western Urban Dist.) – Raised concern over the layout of the back seats which makes Hon. Members at the back (last row) very uncomfortable, especially when contributing to parliamentary deliberations and exiting the Chamber.

VIII. ORDER BY MR. SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker ordered that the pending auction should be cancelled with immediate effect, regarding the issue brought up earlier by **Hon. Daniel B. Koroma** about drugs donated to Sierra Leone which are yet to be cleared. He called on the Ministry of Health to work towards making sure that the drugs reach their intended destinations and not by way of auction.

Continuation of S.O. 23

Hon. Abu Kemokai (Const. 103 – Pujehun Dist.) – Drew the attention of the House to the poor condition of the microphones in the Chamber, restricting Hon. Members from participating in parliamentary deliberations effectively. He called on the administration to address the issue during the recess period to enhance parliamentary deliberations.



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Hon. Mohamed Kanneh - (Const. 006 - Kailahun Dist.) - Joined colleague Hon. Members in expressing dissatisfaction with the poor seating layout of the back rows.

Hon. Mohamed Sheriff Kasim-Carew (Const. 122 - Western urban Dist.) - Reminded the leadership to look into the welfare of Hon. Members of Parliament.

Hon. Momodu Eskimo Mansaray (Const. 043 - Koinadugu Dist.) - Informed the House that Thamiso Chiefdom, which falls within his constituency is the most backward chiefdom in the entire country. It has only a single primary school, one hospital and no proper building for worship (thatch church and musk).

Hon. Isaac Tarawally (Const. 118 - Western Urban Dist.) - Informed the House that his people are in dire need of pipe borne water and he called on the relevant authorities to address the issue in the entire Western Area expeditiously.

Hon. Bai Sama Kamara (Const. 060 - Kambia Dist.) - Raised concern over the Change of market days at Bamoi Luma, Kambia District, which affects workers, school pupils, teachers etc. He called on authorities responsible to reverse the market days prior to the Ebola scourge.

Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah (Const. 126 - Western Urban Dist.) - Clarified the issue raised by **Hon. Bai Sama Kamara**, that the market days were changed as a result of the Ebola Scourge during the period of a State of Emergency. Therefore everything is expected to have gone back to normalcy since the period of the State of Emergency elapsed.

Hon. Momoh Kamara (Const. 120 - Western Urban Dist.) - As a representative of the people, the Hon. Member expressed his wish to enjoy that privilege and to astutely deliver his purpose.

Hon. John Sattie Kargbo (Const. 111 - Western Urban Dist.) - Raised concern over the constrains of his people. This is as a result of heavy trucks plying the routes along the Toll gates. These trucks



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he said are causing damages and yet nothing has been done. He expressed his disappointment at relevant stakeholders he had engaged especially those operating the Timber. He called on authorities responsible to expeditiously address the issue.

Hon. Ibrahim Conteh (Const. 053 - Tonkolili Dist.) - raised concern over the inaccessibility of a town in his constituency known as Makong. Makong he said has no good road and as a result of that there is neither a school nor a hospital. He informed the House that the town is largely populated and the people are in dire need of all those facilities especially to promote girl child education. He craved the indulgence of Mr. Speaker to add his voice to the matter in order to render assistance to the people of Makong.

RESPONSE BY MR. SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker responded to the Hon. Member that he was willing to assist by finding a way for the above mentioned issues to be addressed by the government, especially in the area of good roads and schools. He reminded the House that it is the *avowed policy* of the *New Direction* that education shall be free. In conformity with that, education has to be made compulsory. He mentioned that it is the responsibility of the Members of Parliament to make sure that the town is accessible and that with the power of the speakership, he would assist the Hon. Member in any way he could for the Member to succeed.

Continuation of S.O. 23

Hon. Hassan Sankoh (Const. 049 - Tonkolili Dist.) - Also raised concern over bad roads connecting big towns in his Constituency. The lack of schools is also a serious issue as pupils who took the BECE had to go to far towns just to take their exams.

Hon. Ibrahim Ben Kargbo (Const. 034 - Bombali Dist.) - Thanked Mr. Speaker for introducing a new approach of encouraging Hon. Members to speak-up. He went on to say that the new approach gives confidence to the people they represent and it has also given the Leaders in the House knowledge on how intelligent Hon. Members are in various subjects. Some have not been recognized



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earlier since they had not been given the opportunity to speak. The Hon. Member informed the House that a lot of Hon. Members had lost their seats because they never made any contribution to Parliamentary deliberations during their five years in Parliament. Members of Parliament can now go to their constituencies with confidence, knowing that they had contributed to the development of the country.

Hon. P.C. Foray Cyril Gbondo II (Kailahun Dist.)– Observed that Mr. Speaker gives preference to political party Members more often than Hon. P.C. Members of Parliament. He went on by giving the etymology of the word *parliament* and made an appeal to the Speaker to allow them all to *speak* in the Chamber, for them to contribute to the development of the country.

RESPONSE BY MR. SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker responded to the issue raised by the **Hon. P.C. Foray Cyril Gbondo II**, that it was not intentional to exclude anyone from participating in parliamentary debates. He assured the Hon. P.C. Member that he will always try to be reasonable and fair to give everyone an equal opportunity to make their contributions in the Chamber.

Continuation of S.O. 23

Hon. Aloysious Bockarie Ansumana (Const. 005 – Kailahun Dist.) – Raised concern over an issue in the Pendembu Vocational Secondary School having no examination center. Secondly the Hon. Member mentioned the application of a Reverend Sister from Ghana, who has been in the school for a period of two years or more and is yet to be approved by the Ministry of Education. Finally, he called on the attention of NaCSa to take note of a market in his constituency which has been built for a period of five years and has ended up being “a white elephant market”. He considered it a waste of resources as it was intended to be a community driven project. Finally, the Hon. Member mentioned the poor conditions of water points in the provinces, especially in his constituency.

IX. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 5(2) AT 12 NOON TO CONTINUE PROCEEDINGS



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DURING LUNCH TIME

Hon. Dicksom M. Rogers (Const. 100 – Pujehun Dist.) moved the suspension of Standing Order 5(2). It was seconded by **Hon. Nenneh Lebbie (Const. 080 – Bo Dist.)** and approved by the House.

Continuation of S.O. 23

Hon. Simeon Fefegula (Const. 096 – Moyamba Dist.) – Advised Hon. Members to have a cordial relationship with their Councilors during the recess period so that they will work together for the development of their constituencies.

Hon. Sarty Banya (Const. 004 – Kailahun Dist.) – Expressed dissatisfaction in different areas such as roads, water-projects, agriculture and the Local Concil. He made reference to the Chiko Construction Company which is not doing a work that is satisfactory to the people. Secondly, he mentioned that the reservoir in the township has grown small to meet the demands of water supply. The Hon. Member also briskly spoke about price control of cash crops such as cocoa and coffee. He called on the government to fix the price of cash crops at the beginning of the season to prevent the business people especially the Lebanese, from extortion. Finally, he reminded the House that the Kailahun Local councils are yet to receive their subventions for the council to function well.

Hon. Abdul Turay (Const. 105 – Western Rural Dist.) – Raised concern over the poor health facility in his constituency due to lack of hospital equipment. He called on government to address the issue with urgency.

Hon. Sahr Egbinda Juana (Const. 002 – Kailahun Dist.) – Advised Members of the House to be careful with the journalist of today who are mere “composition writers”. He made reference to the days of **Hon. Ibrahim Ben Kargbo**, who wrote classic literature that inspired readers then. With the exception of few, the Hon. Member condemned the writing/information of journalists of today and drew the attention of the House by citing Headlines which had misinformed the public about certain issues.



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RESPONSE BY MR. SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker responded to the issue raised by **Hon. Sahr E. Juana**, by bringing the attention of the House to the fact that Parliament already has a web page. All that is needed to be done is to streamline parliamentary debates so that it can be viewed live all over the world and make Parliament less dependant on what is written by journalist about the contributions of Members of Parliament.

X. RECOGNITION BY MR. SPEAKER

Miss Aminata Bundu –Daughter of the Speaker of Parliament.

Continuation of S.O. 23

Hon. Ibrahim Ben Kargbo – On behalf of the Leader of Delegation to the European Caribbean Pacific (ECP), **Amb. Ibrahim Sorie**, the Hon. Member expressed his thanks and appreciation for the position the Speaker took vis a vis the Ambassadors abroad. He reminded the House by quoting the Rt. Hon. Speaker, who made it immensely clear in the Chamber during the previous sitting that *“Ambassadors and Diplomats should be treated fairly”*. In that regard he once again thanked the Hon. Speaker on behalf of the ECP delegation and all the Ambassadors and Diplomats whose interest the Speaker seeks.

XI. PRIVATE MEMBERS MOTION

PROPOSER: HON. SIDIE M. TUNIS (CONST. 101 – PUJEHUN DIST.) (LEADER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS)

SECONDER: HON. CHERNOR R. M. BAH (CONST. 126 – WESTERN URBAN DIST.) (LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION)

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Hon. House resolves that the proposed auction for goods and medicines donated by the Global Fund be cancelled forthwith to allow the said goods and services to be cleared



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from customs and delivered without further delay to their intended destinations or warehouses.

QUESTION PROPOSED

The following Hon. Members spoke to the motion:

- 1. Hon. Daniel B. Koroma**
- 2. Hon. Dickson M. Rogers**

QUESTION PUT AND AGREED TO

The motion was carried.

XII. ADJOURNMENT-

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House sine die