



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



THE HONOURABLE SPEAKER, HON. MADAM VERONICA KADIE SESAY IN THE CHAIR

OP/5/1/16

TUESDAY

3<sup>RD</sup> JULY, 2018

THE HOUSE MET AT 10:00 A.M.

I. ATTENDANCE

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:

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| 1. HON. ARUNA MASSAY NGAHINTEH             | (CONST. 085 BO DIST.)        |
| 2. HON. ALHADI LIHADI                      | (CONST. 123 WESTERN URBAN)   |
| 3. HON. ALU-CONTEH ALUSINE KAINDE          | (CONST. 125 WESTERN URBAN)   |
| 4. HON. AMARA HAJA MIATTA                  | (CONST. 112 WESTERN RURAL)   |
| 5. HON. ANSUMANA ALOYSIOUS BOCKARIE        | (CONST. 005 KAILAHUN DIST.)  |
| 6. HON. BAH ALPHA AMADU                    | (CONST. 115 WESTERN URBAN)   |
| 7. HON. BAH CHERNOR R.M.                   | (CONST. 126 WESTERN URBAN)   |
| 8. HON. BANGURA CECILIA MABINTY            | (CONST. 065 KARENE DIST.)    |
| 9. HON. BANGURA HARIYATU ARIANA            | (CONST. 116 WESTERN URBAN)   |
| 10. HON. BANGURA IBRAHIM AZIZ              | (CONST. 076 PORT LOKO DIST.) |
| 11. HON. BANGURA MOHAMED                   | (CONST. 066 KARENE DIST.)    |
| 12. HON. BANGURA ROSEMARIE                 | CONST. 055 TONKOLILI DIST.)  |
| 13. HON. BANYA SARTY                       | CONST. 004 KAILAHUN DIST.)   |
| 14. HON. BHENDU SAA FRANCIS                | (CONST. 027 KONO DIST.)      |
| 15. HON. BILLOH SHAW MOHAMED               | (CONST. 039 FALABA DIST.)    |
| 16. HON. BOCKARIE MOMOH                    | (CONST. 012 KENEMA DIST.)    |
| 17. HON. BUBU NGBAK IV P.C BAI FARAMA TASS | (KAMBIA DIST.)               |
| 18. HON. CHARLES SAHR                      | (CONST. 028 KONO DIST.)      |
| 19. HON. CONTEH EMMANUEL SAIDU             | (CONST. 129 WESTERN URBAN)   |
| 20. HON. CONTEH IBRAHIM                    | (CONST. 053 TONKOLILI DIST.) |
| 21. HON. CONTEH IBRAHIM TAWA               | (CONST. 132 WESTERN URBAN)   |
| 22. HON. CONTEH JOHN CHARLES               | (CONST. 031 BOMBALI DIST.)   |
| 23. HON. CONTEH SAMBA PAUL                 | (CONST. 035 BOMBALI DIST.)   |
| 24. HON. DAVIES KHADIJATU                  | (CONST. 110 WESTERN RURAL)   |
| 25. HON. EDWIN MOSES ANDREW                | (CONST. 090 BONTHE DIST.)    |
| 26. HON. FEFEGULA SIMEON                   | (CONST. 096 MOYAMBA DIST.)   |
| 27. HON. FINOH III P.C.KANDEH              | (BOMBALI DIST.)              |
| 28. HON. FOFANAH ABU BAKARR                | (CONST. 107 WESTERN RURAL)   |
| 29. HON. FOFANAH ABUBAKARR                 | (CONST. 016 KENEMA DIST.)    |
| 30. HON. FOFANAH MUSA                      | (CONST. 023 KONO DIST.)      |
| 31. HON. GBEREH III P.C. BAI SHEBORA SHEBA | (PORT LOKO DIST.)            |
| 32. HON. GEORGE EDWARD                     | (CONST. 097 MOYAMBA DIST.)   |
| 33. HON. GEVAO HINDOLO MOIWO               | (CONST. 003 KAILAHUN DIST.)  |
| 34. HON. GONDOR II P.C. FORAY CYRIL        | (KAILAHUN DIST.)             |



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35. HON. HAFIJU MAADA KANJA (RTD. CAPT.)	(CONST. 018 KENEMA DIST.)
36. HON. JALLOH MUSA BAMBA FORAY	(CONST. 056 TONKOLILI DIST.)
37. HON. JALLOH OSMAN WURIE	(CONST. 109 WESTERN RURAL)
38. HON. JALLOH TIMBO WURROH	(CONST. 119 WESTERN URBAN)
39. HON. JORKIE MOSES BAIMBA	(CONST. 091 BONTHE DIST.)
40. HON. JUANA SAHR EGBINDA	(CONST. 002 KAILAHUN DIST.)
41. HON. KABBA LAMIN FODAY	(CONST. 044 KOINADUGU DIST.)
42. HON. KABIA MOHAMED	(CONST. 106 WESTERN RURAL)
43. HON. KALOKOH MARK MAHMOUD	(CONST. 032 BOMBALI DIST.)
44. HON. KAMANDA KOMBA MANSAMAYO	(CONST. 024 KONO DIST.)
45. HON. KAMARA ABDUL TITUS	(CONST. 061 KAMBIA DIST.)
46. HON. KAMARA ABDUL KARIM	(CONST. 059 KAMBIA DIST.)
47. HON. KAMARA ABDUL KARIM	(CONST. 069 PORT LOKO DIST.)
48. HON. KAMARA ALHASSAN JERO	(CONST. 040 FALABA DIST.)
49. HON. KAMARA ALIMAMY O.	(CONST. 078 BO DIST.)
50. HON. KAMARA ALUSINE BASH	(CONST. 067 KARENE DIST.)
51. HON. KAMARA ALUSINE OSAIO	(CONST. 058 KAMBIA DIST.)
52. HON. KAMARA BAI SAMA	(CONST. 060 KAMBIA DIST.)
53. HON. KAMARA FODAY MARIO	(CONST. 057 KAMBIA DIST.)
54. HON. KAMARA IBRAHIM BUN(DR.)	(CONST. 068 PORT LOKO DIST.)
55. HON. KAMARA IBRAHIM	(CONST. 063 KARENE DIST.)
56. HON. KAMARA JOSEPH ABDUL BASH	(CONST. 084 BO DIST.)
57. HON. KAMARA MOMOH	(CONST. 120 WESTERN URBAN)
58. HON. KAMARA REBECCA YEI	(CONST. 029 KONO DIST.)
59. HON. KAMARA SAIDU BABAH	(CONST. 071 PORT LOKO DIST.)
60. HON. KANNEH ALUSINE	(CONST. 013 KENEMA DIST.)
61. HON. KANNEH MOHAMED	(CONST. 006 KAILAHUN DIST.)
62. HON. KANU ALIMAMY BRUN	(CONST. 072 PORT LOKO DIST.)
63. HON. KANU AMADU	(CONST. 093 MOYAMBA DIST.)
64. HON. KANU RUGIATU ROSY	(CONST. 113 WESTERN URBAN)
65. HON. KARGBO ABDUL	(CONST. 077 PORT LOKO DIST.)
66. HON. KARGBO FODAY ROLAND (DR.)	(CONST. 064 KARENE DIST.)
67. HON. KARGBO IBRAHIM BEN	(CONST. 034 BOMBALI DIST.)
68. HON. KARGBO PAPA ABDULAI	(CONST. 047 TONKOLILI DIST.)
69. HON. KASSEGBAMA AIAH DAVID SHEK	(CONST. 026 KONO DIST.)
70. HON. KASIM-CAREW MOHAMED SHERIFF	(CONST. 122 WESTERN URBAN)
71. HON. KEMOKAI ABU	(CONST. 103 PUJEHUN DIST.)
72. HON. KOROMA AARON ARUNA	(CONST. 048 TONKOLILI DIST.)
73. HON. KOROMA ABDUL KARIM	(CONST. 070 PORT LOKO DIST.)
74. HON. KOROMA DANIEL BRIMA	(CONST. 046 KOINADUGU DIST.)
75. HON. KOROMA MANUEL ALLIEU	(CONST. 036 BOMBALI DIST.)
76. HON. KOROMA UNPHA SORIE GBASSAY	(CONST. 114 WESTERN URBAN)
77. HON. KOROMA YAMBA PETER	(CONST. 033 BOMBALI DIST.)
78. HON. KUMABEH ALICE JEBBEH	(CONST. 092 BONTHE DIST.)



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80. HON. P.C. LANSANA- MINAH MATILDA YAYU	(PUJEHUN DIST.)
81. HON. LANSANA FESTUS MOHAMED	(CONST. 015 KENEMA DIST.)
82. HON. LAVALIE -TSHOMBE DOMINIC JAYBEH	(CONST. 098 MOYAMBA DIST.)
83. HON. LEBBIE NENNEH	(CONST. 086 BO DIST.)
84. HON. LEBBY AMBROSE MAADA	(CONST. 083 BO DIST.)
85. HON. MACKERY YUSUF	(CONST. 087 BO DIST.)
86. HON. MANSARAY ABU	(CONST. 074 PORT LOKO DIST.)
87. HON. MANSARAY AHMED	(CONST. 121 WESTERN URBAN)
88. HON. MANSARAY BRIMA	(CONST. 017 KENEMA DIST.)
89. HON. MANSARAY MOMODU ESKIMO	(CONST. 043 KOINADUGU DIST.)
90. HON. MACAVORAY III P.C. KANGBAI JOE	(BO DIST.)
91. HON. MBRIWA II P.C. SAHR YOUNGAI KONTANDAY	(KONO DIST.)
92. HON. MARAH ALUSINE	(CONST. 041 FALABA DIST.)
93. HON. MARAH LAHAI	(CONST. 042 FALABA DIST.)
94. HON. MARAH III P.C. FASALIE KULAKO DEMBA	(FALABA DIST.)
95. HON. MOIGUA PETER MUSA	(CONST. 011 KENEMA DIST.)
96. HON. MUNDA BOSTON	(CONST. 021 KENEMA DIST.)
97. HON. NYUMA MATHEW SAHR	(CONST. 019 KENEMA DIST.)
98. HON. PANDA SAMUEL GENEWAI	(CONST. 010 KAILAHUN DIST.)
99. HON. RAHMAN-COKER MOHAMED SHERIFF	(CONST. 131 WESTERN URBAN)
100. HON. ROGERS ALEX MATTIA	(CONST. 102 PUJEHUN DIST.)
101. HON. ROGERS DICKSON MOMOH	(CONST. 100 PUJEHUN DIST.)
102. HON. ROLLINGS-KAMARA SIRAJIN MUNIRR	(CONST. 127 WESTERN URBAN)
103. HON. SALIA -KONNEH QUINTIN	(CONST. 007 KAILAHUN DIST.)
104. HON. SAM PAUL SAA	(CONST. 025 KONO DIST.)
105. HON. SAMA SHIAKA MUSA	(CONST. 104 PUJEHUN DIST.)
106. HON. SAMURA HAJARATU FAITH	(CONST. 117 WESTERN URBAN)
107. HON. SANDY ISHMAIL SAMA	(CONST. 080 BO DIST.)
108. HON. SANKA III P.C. BAI KURR KANAGBARO	(TONKOLILI DIST.)
109. HON. SANKOH HASSAN	(CONST. 049 TONKOLILI DIST.)
110. HON. SELLU MUSTAPHA MUSA	(CONST. 095 MOYAMBA DIST.)
111. HON. SESAY ABDOUL HASSAN	(CONST. 050 TONKOLILI DIST.)
112. HON. SESAY ABDUL LATIF	(CONST. 075 PORT LOKO DIST.)
113. HON. SESAY DANIEL ABDULAI (DR.)	(CONST. 052 TONKOLILI DIST.)
114. HON. SESAY KUSAN	(CONST. 045 KOINADUGU DIST.)
115. HON. SESAY OSMAN SALLIEU	(CONST. 038 BOMBALI DIST.)
116. HON. SESAY VERONICA KADIE	(CONST. 094 MOYAMBA DIST.)
117. HON. SHERIFF III P.C. ALIE BADARA	(BONTHE DIST.)
118. HON. SILIKIE BASHIRU	(CONST. 082 BO DIST.)
119. HON. SILLAH ABUBAKARR FODAY	(CONST. 128 WESTERN URBAN)
120. HON. SONGA BERNADETTE WUYATTA	(CONST. 008 KAILAHUN DIST.)
121. HON. TARAWALIE ISAAC	(CONST. 118 WESTERN URBAN)
122. HON. TARAWALLY ZAINAB CATHERINE	(CONST. 037 BOMBALI DIST.)



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123.	HON. THOLLEY JAMES OZAN	(CONST. 054 TONKOLILI DIST.)
124.	HON. TIMBO OSMAN ABDAL	(CONST. 130 WESTERN URBAN)
125.	HON. TONGI EMILIA LOLLOH	(CONST. 001 KAILAHUN DIST.)
126.	HON. TUCKER TOM ISSIC	(CONST. 022 KONO DIST.)
127.	HON. TUNIS SIDIE MOHAMED	(CONST. 101 PUJEHUN DIST.)
128.	HON. TURAY ABDUL	(CONST. 105 WESTERN RURAL)
129.	HON. TURAY AHMED SAMBA	(CONST. 073 PORT LOKO DIST.)
130.	HON. TURAY ALHAJI SORIEBA	(CONST. 051 TONKOLILI DIST.)
131.	HON. TURAY SHEKU MUNIRR	(CONST. 099 PUJEHUN DIST.)
132.	HON. VANDY CHRISTOPHA KEIKURA	(CONST. 088 BO DIST.)
133.	HON. WILLIAMS-LAMIN JOSEPH	(CONST. 081 BO DIST.)
134.	HON. YUMKELLA KANDEH KOLLEH (DR.)	(CONST. 062 KAMBIA DIST.)

**THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:**

1.	HON. ABDULAI OSMAN CHARLES	(CONST. 079 BO DIST.)
2.	HON. CONTEH KEMOKOH	(CONST. 108 WESTERN RURAL)
3.	HON. KARGBO JOHN SATTIE	(CONST. 111 WESTERN RURAL)
4.	HON. KOROMA MEAMA KAJUE VI P.C. FATMATA HAJA BINTU	(MOYAMBA DIST.)
5.	HON. MAKIEU JOSEPHINE	(CONST. 014 KENEMA DIST.)
6.	HON. PEWA P.C. PRINCE MAMBU	(KENEMA DIST.)

**THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT WITH EXCUSE:**

1.	HON. KAIAMBA FRANCIS AMARA	(CONST. 020 KENEMA DIST.)
2.	HON. LAMINA EMERSON SAA	(CONST. 030 KONO DIST.)
3.	HON. MANLY-SPAIN AJIBOLA EMANUEL	(CONST. 124 WESTERN URBAN)
4.	HON. MARAH III P.C. ALIE BALANSAMA	(KONADUGU DIST.)
5.	HON. THOMAS SOLOMON SEGEPOH	(CONST. 089 BONTHE DIST.)
6.	HON. SESAY II P.C. KANDEH WUSU	(KARENE DIST.)



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**MACE COVERED**

Entry of the Clerks at – the- table

Officer in charge - The Clerk of Parliament **Umar Paran Tarawally**

**ANNOUNCEMENT** by the Clerk of Parliament

**CLERK** – Hon. Members I announce the unavoidable absence of both the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker. Therefore pursuant to section 88c of the Constitution of Sierra Leone Act No.6 of 1991 and Standing Order 10 subsection 1, this House may therefore elect from amongst its Members, a person to take charge of today's proceedings.

**HON. SIDIE MOHAMED TUNIS LEADER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS** - moved that the **Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay** takes the Chair as presiding officer.

**HON. CHERNOR R.M. BAH** –seconded the motion

**CLERK – QUESTION PUT AND AGREED TO**

That the Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay takes charge of the sitting of Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018.

The motion was unanimously carried.

**CLERK** – called on Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay to withdraw, be robed and take the Chair as Speaker.

**MADAM SPEAKER IN THE CHAIR-HON. VERONICA KADIE SESAY.**

II. **PRAYERS:** The Table Clerk, Mr. **Lamin Yansaneh**, said the prayer.

**STATEMENT BY MADAM SPEAKER-** Thanked Members for the confidence reposed in her to preside as Speaker of the House, which shows that the women of Sierra Leone have started seeing the light at the end of the tunnel.

III. **Record of Votes and proceedings of Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 was deferred.**

IV. **PAPERS LAID:**

**A. THE LEADER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

**THE NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION NEC-SL ANNUAL REPORT 2017**

Laid by Hon. **Sidie Mohamed Tunis**



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**B. THE MINISTER OF FINANCE**

**(i). BANK OF SIERRA LEONE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2016**

**(ii). FINANCING AGREEMENT (ADDITIONAL FINANCING FOR THE WEST AFRICAN POWER POOL-COTE D'IVOIRE, LIBERIA, SIERRA LEONE AND GUINEA POWER INTERCONNECTION PROJECT) BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA AND THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION, CREDIT NUMBER 6148-SL**

Laid by the Deputy Minister of Finance Dr. **Patricia Nyanga Iaverley**.

**RECOGNITION BY MADAM SPEAKER OF THE FOLLOWING DELEGATION PARTNERS SALONE - USA**

**Madam Speaker** Interrupted proceedings by recognizing, welcoming and introducing, the following development partners who have been doing a good job in Sierra Leone in the area of Health and Education and called on them to do more in the New Direction by giving more learning materials to educational institutions and to extend it to other areas.

- 1. Madam Cynthia A. Nofziger, Founder and executive Director**
- 2. Natalie A. Gordon**
- 3. Jennifer Kempf**
- 4. Jusufu Williams Kazen**

**V. FELICITATIONS TO MADAM SPEAKER BY THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS**

**Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah- Leader of opposition (Const. 126 Western Urban)**

Congratulated Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay for being elected as Speaker which is a testimony that the men can do more to capacitate the women. He concluded by saying that he hoped to see more women and more opportunities for them to act as Speaker when both the Speaker and Deputy Speaker are out the jurisdiction.

**Hon. Mathew Sahr Nyuma (Const. 019 Kenema Dist.)**

That what had happened is in line with the New Direction and to give the women a fair level platform to perform their duty as borne out by the appointment of a woman Attorney



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General and Minister of Justice. He added with a remarkable flash of insight, that man was first created followed by woman and therefore, both of them must work side by side. He also quoted section 97 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, highlighting the responsibilities of Members and made mention of the privileges of Parliament as an Arm of Government with the power of the purse, approving budgets for MDAs yet not well resourced herself. The Honourable member congratulated Madam Speaker and wished her well.

**Hon. Rebecca Yei Kamara (Const. 029 Kono Dist.)**

She thanked Members, on behalf of the women for giving Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay who is the President of the female Caucus the opportunity to preside in the capacity of Speaker. The Honourable Member hoped that other women MPs may be given the same opportunity. She called on the administration of Parliament to fully support and capacitate the 18 women in Parliament and to lift them to the heights of fame. She also called on the men to give women the support they deserve and to put them in positions of trust.

**Hon. Dr. Kandeh Kolleh Yumkella (Const. 062 Kambia Dist.)**

That he is always in line with promoting gender equality in Sierra Leone and hoped that this opportunity given to Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay would serve as an inspiration to other young women. He called upon the House to give their full support and to guide her in the deliberations of Parliament.

**Hon. Dickson Momoh Rogers (Const. 100 Pujehun Dist.)**

What had happened will go down in the history of Sierra Leone, that she acted as Speaker of Parliament. He said that this type of synergy is an attestation, that the various parties are working in harmony, which he hoped would continue.

**Hon. P.C. Lansana- Minah Matilda Yayu (Pujehun Dist.)**

Said that what happened is the beginning of the 30% quota for women's empowerment.



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**Hon. Ibrahim Ben Kargbo (Const. 034 Bombali Dist.)**

That the elevation of Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay as acting Speaker is continuation of a new thinking for Sierra Leone that women and men are co-equal and shows that she is a woman reserved for higher destiny. He realized that she is a true Sierra Leonean with multi-lingual skills that cut across the nation . He further admonished Madam Speaker to continue to demonstrate leadership qualities among women, adding that she had made history for herself and her family.

**Hon. Mohamed Bangura (Const. 066 Karene Dist.)**

That the result of what happened is collaboration. When two sides sit and talk it produces results as opposed to that of the sitting on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June,2018. He said that Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay had been elevated because of her hard work and style of leadership.

**Hon. Hariyatu Ariana Bangura (Const. 116 Western Urban)**

That she had been longing to say the words “Madam Speaker” which was now a reality. She Described Madam Speaker as a lady of substance, magnificence, chosen by God to preside and that God is really answering her prayer. Women she said are taken from the sides of men and so they are partners with the men, She hoped that this unity will continue. She called on the men to support the women. “What the Lord has done shall be permanent” she concluded.

**Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin (Const. 081 Bo Dist.)**

Described Madam Speaker as a woman of virtue and a Leader, who therefore will receive the full support of the men. He said that the new task at hand for men is to give more support to the women and cited the good work of the SALONE –USA Development Partners as adding value to the marvelous work done by women.





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**Madam Speaker**

Thanked Members of Parliament for the various facilitations accorded and the confidence reposed in her to act as the Speaker of the House. Hon Veronica Kadie Sesay said that; the women of Sierra Leone have started to see the light at the end of the tunnel, adding that what men can do, with respect, women can do it even better. Referring to the accolades heaped on her as acting Speaker of Parliament, she promised to pursue and do follow-up with the authorities concerned in order to improve on the welfare of MPs, saying those who had suffered have the right to enjoy. Calling for tributes to the living rather than the dead, which she considered of no effect, She said that her tomorrow will be greater than today; and that even a day's king is a king whilst calling on the 18 female MPs to work alongside the men, with the view of wooing their support towards the development of women in the country. She thanked the Clerk of Parliament, the Leaders, Members, especially the female MPs for the great opportunity accorded her as a presiding officer.

**VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MR. LAMIN YANASANEH (SEE ATTACHED DOCUMENT)**

**VII. ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CLERK OF PARLIAMENT**

- a. Members of the Works and Assets Committee were requested to meet immediately after sitting in Room 1
- b. Members were requested to attend a pre-legislative meeting on the Bill Entitled Extractive Industries Revenue Act 2018.
- c. Members and Staff were informed that the Geneva Medical Team would continue with the screening of Members and Staff.
- d. The Leadership of Parliament were requested to meet with officials from NAO in Committee Room 1 after sitting

**e. ADJOURNMENT-**

**The House was adjourned to Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.**

**The House rose at 11: 00 p.m.**