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PARLIAMENT APPROVES LAWYER SULAIMAN KABBA-KOROMA, AND FOUR OTHERS

The Parliament of Sierra Leone has on Tuesday 24th January 2017 debated and ratified the motion of its Committee on Appointments and the Public Service by approving five presidential nominees for high offices of State, including popular Lawyer Sulaiman Kabba-Koroma and Dr. Nemata Majeks-Walker.

The following presidential nominees were approved by Parliament:

- I. Mr. Sulaiman Kabba-Koroma-Chairman, National Commission for Privatization
- II. Dr. Mrs. Nemata Majeks-Walker-Chairman, Teaching Hospitals Complex Administration Board
- III. Dr. Zubairu Kaloko-Chairman, Sierra Leone Electricity and Water Regulatory Commission
- IV. Mr. Sidi Alieu Bakarr-Member, Electricity Distribution and Supply Authority, and
- V. Mr. Arne-Birger Johansen-Member, Electricity Distribution and Supply Authority

Prior to ratification, MPs who spoke to the motion eulogized the presidential nominees for their exemplary performance in various walks of life and challenged them to do more with the view of not failing the country and President Koroma, who had nominated them to serve in high offices of State. The nominees were also recognized for helping fellow Sierra Leoneans and for successes they had earned in their recent places of work in respect of national development.

Acting Minority Leader of the House, Hon. Ansumana J. Kaikai said that he appreciated President Koroma for continuing the programmes left by late President Kabbah and that the APC Government inherited some form of electricity supply in the country.

In concluding the debate, Majority Leader of the House, Hon. Ibrahim Bundu re-echoed President Koroma's call for the upholding of integrity for the development of our country. He described integrity as the driver for growth and development in the country. He averred that lack of integrity has eroded the glory of Sierra Leone, bedeviling its

development aspirations. He decried acts of thieving associated with “jebu, mas-mas, and mamie koker” that have contributed to the under-development of the country.

Pursuant to Section 57 of the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone, nominees approved by Parliament will enter their official duties after President Koroma has subscribed them to an oath.