



**FOURTH PARLIAMENT
OF
THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE
THIRD SESSION, 2014/2015
SECOND MEETING OF THE HOUSE
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**



HONOURABLE SPEAKER IN THE CHAIR - HON. S.B.B. DUMBUYA

VP/4/3/16

TUESDAY

17TH FEBRUARY, 2015

THE HOUSE MET AT 10:05 A.M.

I. ATTENDANCE

1. HON.BAH CHERNOR R.M.
2. HON.BAH IBRAHIM PARTEH
3. HON.BANGURA BENNEH
4. HON.BANGURA IBRAHIM M.
5. HON.BRIG.BOYAH KOMBA E.S.(RTD)
6. HON.BRAIMA MUSTAPHA M.
7. HON.BRAIMA SAMUEL H.
8. HON.BROWN PATRICIA
9. HON.BUNDU IBRAHIM R.
10. HON.BUNDU SONGOWA
11. HON.CONTEH BRIMAH
12. HON.CONTEH KARIFALA S.
13. HON.CONTEH KEMOKOH
14. HON.DABUNDEH AIAH DR.
15. HON.DUMBUYA ALHAJI S.
16. HON.EBBA TAMBA ENTOCHEMA
17. HON.FATORMA SAHR
18. HON.FAWUNDU SENESI
19. HON.FOFANAH AMADU
20. HON.FOFANAH LEONARD S.
21. HON.FUNNA MABINTY
22. HON.GBAPPY-BRIMA GLADYS GBEMOH

23. HON.HASSAN SHERIFF B.
24. HON.JABBI BU-BUAKEI DR.
25. HON.JAJUA ABU
26. HON.JOHN SOM DAVID
27. HON.JORKIE MOSES B.
28. HON.KAIKAI ANSUMANA JAIA
29. HON.KAISAMBA FRANCIS A.
30. HON.KALLON DAUDA J.B.
31. HON.KALOKO ABI
32. HON.KALOKO ALIE
33. HON.KALOKO BAI J.
34. HON.KAMANDA CLAUDE D.M.
35. HON.KAMARA ALBERT DEEN
36. HON.KAMARA ALHASSAN
37. HON.KAMARA ALHASSAN JERO
38. HON.KAMARA IBRAHIM
39. HON.KAMARA KOMBOR
40. HON.KAMARA MOHAMED
41. HON.KAMARA NICHOLAS
42. HON.KAMARA SAIDU BARBAH
43. HON.KANNEH ALUSINE
44. HON.KANU ABDUL SALAAM
45. HON.KANU AMADU MOHAMED
46. HON.KARGBO PATRICK L.M.
47. HON.KARGBO ROLAND F. DR.
48. HON.KEBBIE P.C. BRIMA VICTOR SIDI
49. HON.KEMOKAI LANSANA I.
50. HON.KOEDOYOMA KOMBA E.
51. HON.KONUWA FRANCIS A.
52. HON.KOROMA AARON ARUNA
53. HON.KOROMA ABU BAKARR
54. HON. KOROMA SUALIHO M.
55. HON.KPOSOWA FRANK
56. HON.KUYEMBEH HELEN
57. HON.LEWALLY ALPHA BABATUNDE
58. HON.MANLY-SPAIN AJIBOLA E.
59. HON.MANSARAY JUSUFU B.
60. HON.MANSARAY MOHAMED L.
61. HON.MARAH ALUSINE
62. HON.MARAH LAHAI
63. HON.MBAYOH ROSKY M.
64. HON.PEWA P.C. PRINCE MAMBU

65. HON.RADDAR HENNEH HASSAN
66. HON.SANGBAH SAAH
67. HON.SANKOH IBRAHIM NOX
68. HON.SANNOH SHEKU
69. HON.SESAY ABDULAI DR.
70. HON.SESAY DAN Y.
71. HON.SESAY HASSAN A.
72. HON.SESAY OSMAN SALLIEU
73. HON.SESAY VERONICA K.
74. HON.SILIKIE BASHIRU
75. HON.SILLAH MABINTY K.
76. HON.SISAY SULAIMAN M.
77. HON.CAPT.SOURIE FREDERICK S.(RTD)
78. HON.SOBBA-STEPHENS MIMA Y.M.
79. HON.SUMAH FODAY I. DR.
80. HON.SWARAY MOSES A.
81. HON.TARAWALLY UMAR PARAN
82. HON.TENGBEH SAHR
83. HON.THOLLEY MOHAMED K.
84. HON.TORTO AUGUSTINE B.
85. HON.TURAY THOMAS M. DR.
86. HON.TURAY THOMAS B.
87. HON.YEK II P.C. ALHAJI BAI SHEBORA
88. HON.YOKIE FODAY RADO
89. HON.KAMARA MOHAMED J.

The following Honourable Members of Parliament were absent:

1. HON.ALIE JAMES N.
2. HON.BOIMA IV P.C. PRINCE LAPPYA
3. HON.FAWUNDU DAUDA D.
4. HON.FOYAH PATRICK
5. HON.JENGO EDWARD S.
6. HON.KABIA ISATA
7. HON.KATTA ALFRED BRIMA
8. HON.LUNGAY ANDREW V.
9. HON.MANSARAY SAIDU
10. HON.MARAH REGINA
11. HON.MUNDA HABIB B.
12. HON.MUNU ALIEU BADDARA K.
13. HON.ROGERS DICKSON M.
14. HON.SALAMY BOCKARIE N.
15. HON.SESAY KUSAN
16. HON.SHO-SAWYER MICHEL DR.

	<p>The following Honourable Members of Parliament were absent with excuse:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HON.BANGURA MABINTY H. 2. HON.BANYA IV P.C. MOHAMED SAMA KAILONDO 3. HON.KABOMBOR II P.C. MANSA PAKI 4. HON.KAINPUMU II P.C ALEX M.J.J. 5. HON.KARGBO ALIMAMY G. 6. HON.KONGOMOH II P.C. JOSEPH ALIE KAVURA 7. HON.KOROMA DANIEL B. 8. HON.KOWA EMMA J. 9. HON.LAHAI BERNADETTE DR. 10. HON.MARAH III P.C. ALIE BALANSAMA 11. HON.MOMOH MOIWAI 12. HON.OSHO-WILLIAMS BLISS E. DR. 13. HON.SALLU-LUGBU II P.C. BAI BUREH 14. HON.SANKA III P.C. BAI KURR KANAGBARO 15. HON.SMITH ROSALINE J. 16. HON.SONSIAMA III P.C. SHEKU A.T. FASULUKU 17. HON.TARAWALLY UMAR PARAN 18. HON.THOMAS SEGEPOH S. 19. HON.TUNIS SIDIE MOHAMED
<p>10:05 – 10:07 a.m.</p>	<p>II. Prayers: The Clerk of Parliament, Mr. Ibrahim Sesay, said the prayer.</p> <p>III. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 5(2) AT 10:05 A.M.:</p> <p>Hon. Songowa Bundu moved the suspension of Standing Order 5(2), seconded by Hon. Amadu M. Kanu, and it was unanimously approved by the House.</p>
<p>10:07 – 10:10 a.m.</p>	<p>IV. RECORD OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PARLIAMENTARY SITTING HELD ON THURSDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 2015:</p> <p>The motion for the adoption of the record of Votes and Proceedings of Thursday 12th February, 2015, was moved by Hon. Mustapha M. Braima. It was seconded by Hon. Bashiru Silikie and unanimously adopted by the House.</p>

<p>10:10 – 10:15 a.m.</p>	<p>PAPERS LAID:</p> <p>i) Hon. Amadu M. Kanu Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on Mines and Mineral Resources</p> <p>First Report of the Parliamentary Committee on Mines and Mineral Resources on Oversight visit to exploration Companies Operating in the Koinadugu and Tonkolili Districts 30th April to 4th May, 2014</p> <p>Laid by the Chairman, Committee on Mines and Mineral Resources, Hon. Amadu M. Kanu.</p> <p>ii) Hon. Abu B. Koroma Chairman, Committee on Local Government and Rural Development</p> <p>a) Report on the Oversight visit to Local Councils in the Eastern, Southern and Northern Provinces in the various District Headquarter Towns.</p> <p>b) Report on the Oversight visit to Koinadugu, Tonkolili, Bombali, Port Loko and Kambia District Councils.</p> <p>Laid by the Chairman, Committee on Local Government and Rural Development, Hon. Abu B. Koroma.</p>
<p>10:15 – 10:50 a.m.</p>	<p>VI. GOVERNMENT MOTION:</p> <p>The Minister of Finance and Economic Development</p> <p>Be it Resolved:</p> <p>That this Honourable House ratify the following Agreement which was laid on the Table of the House on Thursday, 12th February, 2015</p> <p>CLSG Interconnection on Lending Agreement between the Republic of Sierra Leone and CLSG Regional Transmission Company signed in Freetown on 20th January, 2015 and Abidjan on 29th January, 2015</p> <p>The Minister of State Finance, Mr. F.B.L. Mansaray, moved the motion to Members of Parliament.</p>

	<p>Question proposed for Debate:</p> <p>Contributing to the debate on the motion were the following Honourable Members:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hon. Sulaiman M. Sisay; 2. Hon. Sualiho M. Koroma; 3. Hon. Dr. Foday I. Sumah; 4. Hon. Dr. Roland F. Kargbo; 5. Hon. Alhassan Kamara; 6. Hon. Ansumana J. Kaikai; 7. Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah. <p>The Minister responded to the issues raised and moved for the ratification of the motion.</p> <p>Question put and Agreed to:</p> <p>The motion was unanimously ratified by Members.</p>
<p>10:50 – 10:52 a.m.</p>	<p>VII. PARLIAMENTARY BRIEFING:</p> <p>The Minister of Works, Housing and Technical Maintenance to explain the present situation regarding the Rehabilitation of Parliament Building.</p> <p>The Majority Party Leader of the House and Leader of Government Business, Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu, explained that the absence of the Minister was due to his engagement with a mission outside the country.</p> <p>Hon. Foday Rado Yokie called on the President to nominate a substantive Minister to be assisted by a Deputy Minister.</p>
<p>10:52 – 11:35 a.m.</p>	<p>VIII. STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE HOUSE AND LEADER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ON THE EBOLA FUNDS:</p> <p>(See attached document)</p>

STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER:

In light of Members' concerns regarding the speedy handling of the report on the Audit of the management of the Ebola fund by the Audit Service Sierra Leone, Mr. Speaker said that the public should know that Parliament has procedures 'which cannot be compromised for anything and for anybody'. He further said that as a Parliament 'we yield to nobody'.

Contributing to this issue were the following Honourable Members:

1. Hon. Jusufu B. Mansaray;
2. Hon. Bashiru Silikie;
3. Hon. Mohamed K. Tholley;
4. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu – on a point of order, that according to section 94, Parliament can regulate itself and that conventions are not laws, but have the force of law.
5. Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah – said that the norms and conventions on parliamentary practice and procedure must be respected. He then referred Members to S.O. 70(6a&b) under the rubric 'Public Accounts Committee'.

70(6a) - There shall be a Committee to be known as the Public Accounts Committee consisting of the Deputy Speaker as Chairman and not more Than ten Members, to be nominated by the Committee of Selection.

70(6b) - It shall be the duty of the Committee to examine the annual accounts showing the appropriation of the sums granted by the House to meet public expenditure together with the reports and special reports of the Auditor-General thereon.

He further said that Audit Reports must be seen as a property of Parliament and that the Report is a special report. That Parliament should not deviate from its Standing Orders and International best practice.

6. Hon. Ansumana J. Kaikai;
7. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu - on a point of order, S.O. 34;

Continued Debate:

Hon. Ansumana J. Kaikai;

<p>11:35 – 11:40 a.m.</p>	<p>INTERVENTION BY MR. SPEAKER:</p> <p>Mr. Speaker added that “even if issues were hotter than fire we won’t sacrifice procedures” and said further that as enlightened representatives of the people Members must not be carried by sentiment and must not politicize any issue.</p> <p>8. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu - on a point of clarification; 9. Hon. Mohamed K. Tholley.</p> <p>STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER:</p> <p>Mr. Speaker said that ‘anything that is hastily done would not be done properly. And that we don’t sacrifice speed for what is right’.</p> <p>IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS:</p> <p>THE MAJORITY LEADER – HON. IBRAHIM R. BUNDU:</p> <p>Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu invited all APC Caucus Members to a meeting, immediately after sitting in Committee Room 1.</p> <p>THE TABLE CLERK – MR. LAMIN YANSANEH:</p> <p>The following Committees were asked to meet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Committee on Agriculture, Forestry and Food Security, immediately after sitting in the Committee Room 3; 2. Committee on Information and Communication, immediately after sitting in the Conference Room, New Administrative Building; 3. Committee on Energy and Power at 12:30 p.m. in Committee Room 1. <p>MR. SPEAKER:</p> <p>Mr. Speaker announced that on Thursday, 19th February, 2015 an important visitor, the former Speaker of the House of Lords, the Rt. Hon. Baroness Hayman GBE will visit Parliament to witness the proceedings of the House. She will then meet with the Speaker, the Leadership, the Female Caucus, the Health Committee, the Clerk of Parliament, the Deputy Clerk and Clerk of Committees. Members must be in full.</p>
---------------------------	--

<p>11:40 a.m.</p>	<p>Also Madam Helen Clark, one time Prime Minister of New Zealand and presently UNDP Administrator will be meeting with the Leadership of Parliament, including the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker, Female Members of Parliament, Hon. Patricia Brown, Whips and the representative of Paramount Chiefs, Hon. P.C. Victor Brima Sidi Kebbie on Wednesday, 18th February, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>STANDING ORDER 23:</p> <p>Hon. Saidu B. Kamara - Expressed profound thanks and appreciation on behalf of his Constituency and family to Members of Parliament for the support given to him during the burial ceremony of his late mother.</p> <p>IX. ADJOURNMENT:</p> <p>Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Thursday, 19th February, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THE HOUSE ROSE AT 11:40 A.M.</p>
-------------------	---