



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



HONOURABLE SPEAKER IN THE CHAIR – HONOURABLE S.B.B DUMBUYA

OP/4/3/30

THURSDAY

4TH JUNE, 2015

I. ATTENDANCE

1. HON. ALIE JAMES N.D
2. HON. BAH CHERNOR R.M
3. HON. BAH IBRAHIM PATEH
4. HON. BANGURA BENNEH
5. HON. BRIG. BOYAH KOMBA E.S. (RTD)
6. HON. BRAIMA SAMUEL H.
7. HON. BUNDU IBRAHIM R.
8. HON. BUNDU SONGOWA
9. HON. CONTEH BRIMAH
10. HON. CONTEH KARIFALA S.
11. HON. CONTEH KEMOKOH
12. HON. DABUNDEH AIAH DR
13. HON. DUMBUYA ALHAJI S.
14. HON. FATORMA SAHR
15. HON. FAWUNDU DAUDA D.
16. HON. FOFANA AMADU
17. HON. FOYAH PATRICK
18. HON. FUNNA MABINTY
19. HON. GAPPY-BRIMA GLADYS GBEMOH
20. HON. JABBI BU-BUAKEI DR.
21. HON. JORKIE MOSES B.
22. HON. JAJUA ABU
23. HON. JOHNSON DAVID
24. HON. KABIA ISATA
25. HON. KAI KAI ANSUMANA J
26. HON. KALOKO ABI
27. HON. KALOKO ALIE
28. HON. KALOKO BAI J.
29. HON. KAMANDA CLAUDE D.M
30. HON. KAMARA ALBERT DEEN
31. HON. KAMARA ALHASSAN
32. HON. KAMARA KOMBOR
33. HON. KAMARA MOHAMED
34. HON. KAMARA MOHAMED J.
35. HON. KAMARA NICOLAS
36. HON. KAMARA SAIDU BABAH

37. HON. KANU ABDUL SALAAM
38. HON. KANU AMADU MOHAMED
39. HON. KARGBO ALIMAMY G.
40. HON. KARGBO PATRICK L.M.
41. HON. KARGBO ROLAND FODAY DR.
42. HON. KEBBIE P.C. BRIMA VICTOR SIDI
43. HON. KEMOKAI LANSANA I.
44. HON. KONGOMOH II P.C. JOSEPH ALIE KAVURA
45. HON. KOROMA ABUBAKARR
46. HON. KOROMA DANIEL B.
47. HON. KOROMA SUALIHO MONYABA
48. HON. KUYEMBEH HELEN
49. HON. LEWALLY ALPHA BABATUDE
50. HON. MANLY-SPAIN AJIBOLA E.
51. HON. MANSARAY JUSUFU B.
52. HON. MANSARAY MOHAMED L.
53. HON. MARAH ALUSINE
54. HON. MARAH REGINA
55. HON. MOMOH MOIWAI
56. HON. RADDAR HENNEH H
57. HON. ROGERS DICKSON M
58. HON. SALAMY BOCKARIE N.
59. HON. SALLU-LUGBU II P.C. BAI BUREH
60. HON. SANGBAH SAAH
61. HON. SESAY ABDULAI DR.
62. HON. SESAY DAN Y.
63. HON. SESAY HASSAN A.
64. HON. SESAY KUSAN
65. HON. SESAY OSMAN SALLIEU
66. HON. SESAY VERONICA K.
67. HON. SANKA III P.C. BAI KURR KANAGBARO
68. HON. SANNOH SHEKU A. HON. SESAY DAN Y.
69. HON. SESAY HASSAN A.
70. HON. SESAY KUSAN
71. HON. SESAY OSMAN SALLIEU
72. HON. SESAY VERONICA K.
73. HON. SILIKIE BASHIRU
74. HON. SILLAH MABINTY K.
75. HON. SILLAH MABINTY K.
76. HON. SISAY SULAIMAN M.
77. HON. SMITH ROSALINE J.
78. HON. CAPT. SOURIE FREDERICK S. (RTD)
79. HON. SUMA FODAY I. DR.
80. HON. SWARAY MOSES A.
81. HON. TARAWALLY UMAR PARAN
82. HON. TORTO AUGUSTINE B.
83. HON. TURAY THOMAS M. DR.
84. HON. THOLLEY MOHAMED K

The following Members of Parliament were absent with excuse:

1. HON. BANGURA IBRAHIM M.
2. HON. FAWUNDU SENESI

3. HON. BANGURA MABINTI H.
4. HON. BRIMA MUSTAPHA M.
5. HON. PATRICIA BROWN
6. HON. EBBA TAMBA ENTOCHEMA
7. HON. FOFANAH LEONARD S.
8. HON. HASSAN SHERRIF B.
9. HON. HASSAN ALHASSAN JERO
10. HON. KATTA ALFRED BRIMA
11. HON. KOEDOYOMA KOMBA E.
12. HON. LUNGAY ANDREW B.
13. HON. MBAYO ROSKY M.
14. HON. OSHO- WILLIAMS BLISS E. DR.
15. HON. TARA- KOROMA TAWORO DR.
16. HON. TUNIS SIDIE MOHAMED
17. HON. YEK II P.C. ALHAJI BAI SHEBORA
18. HON. YOKIE FODAY ROKIE

The following Members of Parliament were absent:

1. HON. BANGURA IBRAHIM M.
2. HON. FAWUNDU SENESI
3. HON. JENGO EDWARD S.
4. HON. KABOMBO II P.C. MANSA PAKI
5. HON. KAINPUMU II P.C. ALEX M.J.J.
6. HON. KAISAMBA FRANCIS A.
7. HON. KAMARA IBRAHIM
8. HON. KANNEH ALUSINE
9. HON. KOROMA AARON ARUNA
10. HON. KOWA EMMA J.
11. HON. KPOSOWA FRANK
12. HON. MANSARAY SAIDU
13. HON. MARRAH III P.C. ALIE BALAMSAMA
14. HON. MARAH LAHAI
15. HON. MUNU ALIEU BADARA K.
16. HON. PEWA P.C. PRINCE MAMBU
17. HON. SANKOH IBRAHIM NOX
18. HON. SHO- SAWYER MICHEL
19. HON. SONSIAMA II P.C. SHEKU A.T. FASULUKU
20. HON. SOBBA- STEPHENS MIMA Y.M.
21. HON. THOMAS SEGEPOH S.
22. HON. TURAY THOMAS B

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

III. **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 5(2) AT 10:25 A.M.:**

Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda moved the motion for the suspension of Standing Order 5(2). It was seconded by **Hon. Amadu Kanu** , and unanimously approved by the House.

10: 25 a.m

<p>10:25 a.m</p>	<p>IV. RECORD OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PARLIAMENTARY SITTING HELD ON TUESDAY, 2TH JUNE, 2015</p> <p>The motion for the adoption of the record of votes and proceedings of Tuesday, 2th June, 2015, was moved by Hon. David Johnson It was seconded by Hon. Benneh Bangura, and unanimously adopted by the House.</p>
<p>10:26 a.m</p>	<p>V PAPERS LAID</p> <p>(A) HON. CHERNOR R.M. BAH</p> <p>CHAIRMAN, PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE</p> <p>REOPRT OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE ON THE AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT IN RESPECT OF THE MANAGEMENT OF EBOLA FUNDS, MAY-OCTOBER, 2014</p>
<p>10: 26-10:35 a.m.</p>	<p>Laid by Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah with an explanatory statement, pursuant to Standing Order 18(7) (See attached document).</p> <p>STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE HOUSE AND LEADER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS - Craved the indulgence of Mr. Speaker to make a statement, highlighting the importance of the laying of this particular PAC Report, on the table of the House (See attached document)</p>
<p>10:35-10:38 a.m.</p>	<p>STATEMENT BY HON. DR. BERNADETTE LAHAI- Stood on S.O. 18 (7) and said that when a special Audit of the Ebola Funds was undertaken, it provoked a lot of public discussion, and she was impressed by the fully- attended PAC hearings as was reported in the special Audit Report, which, she said, exposed systemic failures that have affected the country.</p>
<p>10:38-10:46 a.am.</p>	<p>She added that a lot of work has to be done to build institutions and professional human resource. These concerns necessitate a passionate debate of the Report, to elicit a compendium of far- reaching recommendations and conclusions.</p> <p>She pointed out that there is a need to review and compare other PAC Reports tabled in the past with the present one, so as to mark the similarities and differences of some of the recommendations made therein, and ascertain to what extent the Attorney General and Minister of Justice, including other Institutions, responded to the issues raised. It is necessary to enhance a continuity of consistency.</p> <p>She concluded by thanking Mr. Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Members of the PAC for a job well done. She looked forward to a fruitful debate on the</p>

<p>10:46-10:50 a.m.</p>	<p>Report.</p> <p>STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER- In response said that the debate on the Report is a legal parliamentary procedural requirement; it is mandatory for the document to be debated.</p> <p>(B) THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>THE CUSTOMS, CLEARING AND FORWARDING AGENCY, REGULATIONS, 2015</p> <p>THE CUSTOMS ACT, 2011 (ACT NO. 9 OF 2011)</p> <p>STATUTORY INSTRUMENT NO. 2 OF 2015</p> <p>Laid by Hon. Ibrahim R Bundu, Leader of the House and Leader of Government Business, on behalf of the Minister.</p> <p>1. Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda- on a point of order section 170 sub section 7^c (1991 constitution) and S.O. 25 1^c Moved that the stipulated time of 21 days stops to run on the regulation laid on the table, in order to have a critical look at the statutory instrument Regulation put on hold.</p>
<p>10:50-10:51 a.m.</p>	<p>2. Hon. Ansumana J. Kai Kai- point of order S.O. 18 (8), was ruled out of order.</p> <p>(C) THE MINISTER OF SPORTS</p> <p>THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AGAINST DOPING IN SPORTS , UNESCO PARIS – 19TH OCTOBER,2005</p> <p>Laid by Mr. Paul Kamara Minister of Sports</p>
<p>10:51-10:52 a.m.</p>	<p>VI MOTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE</p> <p>PROPOSER: HON. IBRAHIM R. BUNDU</p> <p>SECONDER: HON. LEONARD S. FOFANAH</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED:</p> <p>THAT THE THIRTEENTH REPORT OF THE THIRD SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE BE ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE AND THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN BE APPROVED.</p>

<p>10:52-10:54 a.m.</p>	<p>VI (1) AMENDMENT- this agenda item was amended by replacing the seconder of the motion, Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah, with Hon. Augustine B. Torto and unanimously approved by the House</p> <p>VI (2) The Chairman Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu presented the thirteenth Report of the third Session of the Committee on Appointments and Public Service and the recommendations contained therein on the following presidential nominees</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mrs. Haddi-jatou Jallow-Proposed Member, Minerals Advisory Board 2. Mr. Kalia Edward Sesay-Proposed Member, Minerals Advisory Board 3. Mr. Melvin Comba C. Allieu-Proposed Member, Minerals, Advisory Board 4. Mr. Samuel Beresford O. Weeks- Proposed Member, Judicial and Legal Service Commission 5. Mr. Amadu Bona Ndoeka- Proposed Member, Board of Trustees, NASSIT 6. Gladys Bamijoko Branche- Proposed Board Member, Sierra Leone Airport Authority <p>The motion was seconded by Hon. Augustine B. Torto</p> <p>QUESTIONS PROPOSED: Contributing to the Debate on the motion were the following Hon. Members:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hon. Augustine B. Torto 2. Hon. Jusufu B. Mansaray 3. Hon. Patrick L.M. Kargbo 4. Hon. Veronica K. Sesay 5. Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah 6. Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai 7. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu <p>QUESTION PUT AND AGREED TO The motion was unanimously ratified by the House.</p> <p>CONGRATULATORY STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER- Mr. Speaker congratulated the presidential nominees and wished all of them well.</p>
<p>10:54-11:01 a.m</p>	<p>VII GOVERNMENT MOTIONS:</p> <p>(i) THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND AVIATION</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 TUESDAY, 2ND JUNE,2015</p> <p>CONCESSION AGREEMENT FOR THE GROUND AND CARGO HANDLING OPERATIONS AT THE FREETOWN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, LUNGI, DATED 21ST OCTOBER,2009</p>
<p>11:01-11:32 a.m.</p>	<p>CONCESSION AGREEMENT FOR THE GROUND AND CARGO HANDLING OPERATIONS AT THE FREETOWN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, LUNGI, DATED 21ST OCTOBER,2009</p>

<p>11:32-11:35 p.m.</p>	<p>This business on the order paper was deferred due to the unavoidable absence of the Minister.</p> <p>(ii) THE MINISTER OF SPORTS</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED:</p> <p>THAT THIS HOURANABLE HOUSE RATIFY THE FOLLOWING CONVENTION WHICH WAS LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE ON THURSDAY 4TH JUNE,2015</p> <p>THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AGAINST DOPING IN SPORTS,UNESCO PARIS, 10TH OCTOBER,2005</p> <p>Mr. Paul Kamara, Minister of Sports introduced the motion in the House and moved for its consideration.</p> <p>QUESTION PROPOSED FOR DEBATE Contributing to the debate were the following Hon. Members:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hon. Hassan A. Sesay 2. Hon. Mohamed Tholley <p>QUESTION PUT AND AGREED TO The motion was unanimously ratified by the House.</p>
<p>11:35-11:38 a.m.</p>	<p>STAND DOWN OF THE HOUSE Mr. Speaker stood down the House at 12: 05 p.m. and it resumed at 12:10 p.m.</p> <p>Continued proceedings.</p>
<p>11:38-11: 48 a.m.</p>	<p>Suspension of S.O. 5 (2) at 12:10 p.m.</p> <p>The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) was moved by Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda. It was seconded by Hon. Bundu Songowa and unanimously approved by the House</p>
<p>11:48-12:10 p.m.</p>	<p>(VIII) MOTION: (amended to include Hon. Isata Kabia):</p> <p>PROPOSER: HON. IBRAHIM R. BUNDU</p> <p>SECONDER: HON. HELEN KUYEMBEH</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED:</p>

THAT THE HONOURABLE HOUSE CONGRATULATE HON. DR. BERNADETTE LAHAI ON HER ELECTION TO THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT OF THE PAN AFRICAN PARLIAMENT (PAP) AND ALSO HON. ISATA KABIA AS ELECTED RAPPORTEUR OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION OF THE PAN AFRICAN PARLIAMENT (PAP)

QUESTION PROPOSED FOR DEBATE

Contributing to the debate were the following Hon. Members:

1. **Hon. Helen Kuyembeh**
2. **Hon. Alhassan Kamara**
3. **Hon. Sualiho Monyaba Koroma**
4. **Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda**
5. **Hon. Umar Paran Tarawally**
6. **Hon. Augustine B. Torto**
7. **Hon. Joseph Alie Kavura II P.C. Kongomoh**
8. **Hon. Benneh Bagura**
9. **Hon. Hannah Bundu Songowa**
10. **Hon. Abi Kaloko**
11. **Hon. Bashiru Silikie**
12. **Hon. Patrick Foyah**
13. **Hon. Brima Victor Sidi P.C. Kebbie**
14. **Hon. Ansumana J. Kai Kai**
15. **Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu-** In his contribution disclosed that he was also elected as Rapporteur , Committee on Social Affairs and the environment in the ACP –EU Parliament and so must be included in the motion

Question put and agreed to

the motion as amended was unanimously ratified by the House

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER- that he felt vindicated in that Her Excellency. Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai has proved her mettle. He then called on the newly appointed Vice President, PAP, to take the floor.

STATEMENT BY HER EXCELLENCY HON. DR. BERNADETTE LAHAI-

Taking the floor, she expressed her all –embracing and profound sentiments of gratitude on her behalf as well as that of Hon. Isata Kabia.

Firstly, she thanked the Almighty God for their present attainments and status, affirming that He never puts His faithful children to shame. Then she thanked their parents who, spotting their budding talents, educated them to realize their potentialities to achieve laurels. Now they are reaping the benefits.

His Excellency Dr. Ernest Bai Koroma and Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai entered the second Parliament of the second Republic the same year, 2002, and she developed deep-rooted respect for him as former Minority Party Leader of Parliament. She is also grateful to him and objective in his capacity as President of Sierra Leone for supporting and projecting the image and aspirations of Members of Parliament to the extent of financially facilitating their bid for international acclaim and

12:10-1:30 p.m.

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1:35- 1:60 p.m

accolades, a case in point of which is her present achievement. Such presidential support and that of her colleague Members of Parliament, she disclosed, was crucial to bolster the value of her candidacy and was consequently instrumental in winning the support of the Pan African Parliament constituency. Her PAP colleagues, to evaluate her total credentials, asked whether she had her President and Parliament behind her.

She said it was not easy to establish contact and lobby support in the 54 Member-States citing the Nigerians who chartered a special plane to establish contacts. All of this campaign, she explained, involved money.

Dwelling on her gratitude to His Excellency the President for his sterling attributes of magnanimity and foresight, she said she was agreeable with his advice and his perception that her position and work in PAP is essentially as a representative of the whole Country, Sierra Leone.

Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai reported that the competition in her election was close tense and hard. She had to contend with a Malian candidate; and the Francophones are notable for their natural disposition to mutual-support. She had to use the mechanism of a committee, with broke through to success even winning some votes from the Francophone countries.

She recognized the invaluable service of the Sierra Leone PAP delegation and named them with profound gratitude for the energy of their objective and nationalistic support of merit, uncovered party- lines: Hon. Isata Kabia, Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda, , Hon. Sulaiman M. Sisay, the last of whom stepped down from his aspiration to the Deputy Chair of the Committee on Agriculture in favour of a Gambian.

She further thanked her monumental SLPP Party for given her the highly- solicited symbol, to contest parliamentary elections, as well as her constituency, that elected her to serve them and the nation in the national parliament, which resulted in high honour and exalted international acclaim to realm of the free.

Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai recognized the role of the APC, the party of her colleague PAP Members, and the Majority Party Leader, **Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu**, for their essential support and prayers.

She philosophized that politics is a conduit that brings people together in the national interest, which has to transcend her personal interest and party interest

In conclusion, she thanked everyone for their continued prayers and love, and for continuing to fly the flag of Sierra Leone high.

S.O. 23 Hon. Sualiho Monyaba Koroma

Urged the Leadership of the House to expedite the debate on the PAC Report next week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS : By the Table Clerk Lamin Yansaneh-

The following Committees were requested to meet immediately after sitting. as

1:60-2:01 p.m.

follows :

1. Committee on Local Government.
2. Committee on Energy
3. Committee on Lands and the environment.
4. Committee on Education

Announcement by Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda Chief whip:

Informed the House that a reception would be held at the State Hall in honour of Her Excellency **Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Thursday, 11TH June, 2015, at 10:00 a:m

THE HOUSE ROSE AT 2: 12 P:M