



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



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

**OP/4/3/61**

**THURSDAY**

**3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER, 2015**

**THE HOUSE MET AT 10: 00 A.M**

**I. ATTENDANCE**

**The following members of Parliament were present:**

1. HON. BANGURA BENNEH
2. HON. BOIMA IV P.C PRINCE LAPPYA
3. HON. BUNDU SONGOWA
4. HON. CONTEH KARIFALA S.
5. HON. DABUNDEH AIAH DR.
6. HON. DANCAY-BANGURA PATRICIA U.
7. HON. DUMBUYA ALHAJI S.
8. HON. EBBA TAMBA ENTOCHEMA
9. HON. FOFANAH AMADU
10. HON. FOFANAH LEONARD S.
11. HON. GBAPPY-BRIMA GLADYS GBEMOH
12. HON. HASSAN SHERIFF B.
13. HON. JORKIE MOSES B.
14. HON. KABIA ISATA
15. HON. KAIKAI ANSUMANA J.
16. HON. KALLON DAUDA J.B.
17. HON. KALOKO ABI
18. HON. KALOKO ALIE
19. HON. KAMARA ALBERT DEEN
20. HON. KAMARA ALHASSAN
21. HON. KAMARA KOMBOR
22. HON. KAMARA MOHAMED
23. HON. KAMARA MOHAMED J.
24. HON. KAMARA NICHOLAS
25. HON. KANU ABDUL SALAAM
26. HON. KANU AMADU MOHAMED
27. HON. KARGBO ROLAND F. DR.
28. HON. KATTA ALFRED BRIMA
29. HON. KOEDYOYOMA KOMBA E.
30. HON. KOROMA DANIEL B.
31. HON. KOWA EMMA J
32. HON. KOWA FRANCIS

33. HON. LAHAI BERNADETTE DR.
34. HON. MANLY-SPAIN AJIBOLA E.
35. HON. MANSARAY JUSUFU B
36. HON. MANSARAY SAIDU
37. HON. MANSARAY MOHAMED L.
38. HON. MUNDA HABIB B.
39. HON. MUNU ALIEU BADARA K.
40. HON. RADDAR HENNEH HASSAN
41. HON. ROGERS DICKSON M.
42. HON. SANKOH IBRAHIM NOX
43. HON. SANNOH SHEKU
44. HON. SESAY DAN Y.
45. HON. SESAY ABDULAI DR.
46. HON. SESAY HASSAN A.
47. HON. SILIKIE BASHIRU
48. HON. SISAY SULAIMAN M.
49. HON. SONSIAMA II P.C SHEKU A.T FASULUKU
50. HON. SUMAH FODAY I. DR.
51. HON. SWARRAY MOSES A.
52. HON. TARAWALLY UMAR PARAN
53. HON. TENGBEH SAHR
54. HON. YEK II P.C. ALHAJI BAI SHEBORA

**The following Members of Parliament were absent:**

1. HON. ALIE JAMES N.D.
2. HON. BAH IBRAHIM PATEH
3. HON. BANGURA IBRAHIM M.
4. HON. BANGURA MABINTY H.
5. HON. BRIG. BAYOH KOMBA E.S (RTD)
6. HON. BRAIMA MUSTAPHA M.
7. HON. BRAIMA SAMUEL H.
8. HON. CONTEH BRIMAH
9. HON. CONTEH KEMOKOH
10. HON. FATORMA SAHR
11. HON. FAWUDU DAUDA D.
12. HON. FAWUDU SENESI
13. HON. FOYAH PATRICK
14. HON. FUNNA MABINTY
15. HON. JABBI BU-BUAKEI DR.
16. HON. JAJUA ABU
17. HON. JENGO EDWARD S.
18. HON. KAISAMBA FRANCIS A.
19. HON. KALOKO BAI J.
20. HON. KAMARA ALHASSAN JERO
21. HON. KAMARA IBRAHIM
22. HON. KAMARA SAIDU BABAH
23. HON. KANNEH ALUSINE
24. HON. KARGBO ALIMAMY G.

25. HON. KARGBO PATRICK L.M
26. HON. KONGOMOH II P.C JOSEPH ALIE KAVURA
27. HON. KEMOKAI LANSANA I.
28. HON. KONUWA FRANCIS A.
29. HON. KOROMA ABU BAKARR
30. HON. KOROMA SUALIHO M.
31. HON. KPOSOWA FRANK
32. HON. LEWALLY ALPHA B.
33. HON. KUYEMBEH HELEN
34. HON. LUNGAY ANDREW V.
35. HON. MARAH III P.C. ALIE BALANSAMA
36. HON. MARAH ALUSINE
37. HON. MARAH REGINA
38. HON. MARAH LAHAI
39. HON. MBAYO ROSKY M.
40. HON. MOMOH MOIWAI
41. HON. PEWA P.C PRINCE MAMBU
42. HON. SALAMY BOCKARIE N.
43. HON. SANKA II P.C. BAI KURR KANAGBARO
44. HON. SESAY KUSAN
45. HON. SESAY OSMAN SALLIEU
46. HON. SESAY VERONICA K
47. HON. SHO-SAWYER MICHEL DR.
48. HON. SILLAH MABINTY K.
49. HON. SMITH ROSALINE J.
50. HON. CAPT. SOURIE FREDERICK S. (RTD)
51. HON. TARA-KOROMA TAWORO
52. HON. THOLLEY MOHAMED K.
53. HON. THOMAS SEGEPOH S.
54. HON. TURAY THOMAS B.
55. HON. YOKIE FODAY RADO

**The following Honourable Members of Parliament were absent with excuse:**

1. HON. BAH CHERNOR M
2. HON. BANYA IV P.C MOHAMED SAMA KAILONDO
3. HON. BUNDU IBRAHIM R.
4. HON. JOHSON DAVID
5. HON. KABOMBOR II P.C MANSA PAKI
6. HON. KAMANDA CLAUDE D.M.
7. HON. KAINPUMU II P.C. ALEX M.J.J.
8. HON. KOROMA AARON ARUNA
9. HON. KEBBIE P.C. BRIMA VICTOR SIDI
10. HON. SANGBAH SAAH
11. HON. SALLU-LUGBU II P.C BAI BUREH
12. HON. SOBBA-STEPHENS MIMA Y. M.
13. HON. TUNIS SIDIE MOHAMED

**II. PRAYERS:** The Clerk of Parliament, **Mr. Ibrahim S. Sesay**, said the prayer.

**III. RECORD OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PARLIAMENTARY SITTING HELD ON TUESDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2015**

The motion for the adoption of the record of Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 1<sup>ST</sup> December, 2015, was moved by **Hon. Benneh Bangura**. It was seconded by **Hon. Gladys G. Gbappy-Brima**, and unanimously adopted by the House.

**IV. PAPERS LAID:**

**HON. CHERNOR R.M BAH**

**DEPUTY SPEAKER AND LEADER OF DELEGATION**

**REPORT OF THE SIERRA LEONE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO THE 46<sup>TH</sup> COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION (AFRICA REGION) CONFERENCE IN NAIROBI, KENYA, 9<sup>TH</sup> TO 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2015.**

Laid by the Acting Majority Leader of the House, **Hon. Leonard S. Fonah**, on behalf of the Deputy Speaker, who was absent.

**V.** Recognition of a Delegation from Abidjan led by Mr. Mohamed Sheriff, of Transco, to witness the ratification of loan agreements between the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Regional Transmission Company of Côte D'voire, Liberia, Sierra Leone and Guinea, for the development of regional energy-output.

Recognition of the presence of **Mrs. Buya Kamara**, Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Energy, and who was once a hard-working Staff of Parliament.

**VI. GOVERNMENT MOTION:**

**THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED:**

**THAT THIS HONOURABLE HOUSE RATIFY THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENTS WHICH WERE LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE ON TUESDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2015:**

- (i) **SUBSIDIARY LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE AND THE REGIONAL TRANSMISSION COMPANY OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE, LIBERIA, SIERRA LEONE AND GUINEA (TRANSCO CLSG) IN RELATION TO THE LOAN AGREEMENT DATED 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2013 BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE AND THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND (ADF) (LOAN No:2100150095-SOS:14-5)**
- (ii) **SUBSIDIARY LOAN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE AND THE REGIONAL TRANSMISSION COMPANY OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE, LIBERIA, SIERRA LEONE AND GUINEA (TRANSCO CLSG) IN RELATION TO THE LOAN AGREEMENT DATED 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2013 BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE AND THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE NIGERIA TRUST FUND (NTF) (LOAN No:22001600001139-SOS: 6-67)**

The Minister of Finance and Economic Development presented the motion to the House.

**Question Proposed:**

Contributing to the debate were the following Hon. Members.

1. **Hon. Sulaiman Sisay**
2. **Hon. Songowa Bundu**
3. **Hon. Jusufu B. Mansaray**
4. **Hon. Karifala Conteh**
5. **Hon. Hassan A. Sesay**
6. **Hon. Ansumana J. Kaikai**
7. **Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai**
8. **Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah**

The Minister responded to some of the questions raised by Hon. Members and moved the ratification of the motion

**Question put and agreed to**

The motion was unanimously ratified by Members.

**VII. PRIVATE MEMBER'S BILL**

**THE SAFE ABORTION ACT, 2015**

**INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING**

**HON. ISATA KABIA, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT**

**QUESTION PROPOSED, PUT AND AGREED TO:**

Bill read the first time and approved by the House.

**SECOND READING**

**HON. ISATA KABIA, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT**

The **Hon. Isata Kabia** presented the objects and reasons, the principles of the bill to the House.

**Question proposed:**

Contributing to the debate were the following Hon. Members.

1. **Hon. Emma J. Kowa**
2. **Hon. Ajibola E. Manly-Spaine**

**Suspension of S.O. 5(2) at 12:noon**

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) was moved by **Hon. Bundu Songowa**. It was seconded by **Hon. Alie Kaloko** and unanimously approved by the House.

**Continued debate**

3. **Hon. Patricia U. Dancay-Bangura**
4. **Hon. Dickson Rogers** – Point of order S.O. 7(1 &2). That the House had lost quorum which must be sustained for proceedings to continue.
5. **Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai, Minority Leader of the House** – Submitted that the House started with a quorum and so the proceedings should continue.
6. **Hon. Benneh Bangura** – Supported Hon. Dickson Rogers and insisted that according to settled practice there must be a quorum for proceedings to continue.

**Mr. Speaker**—Pursuant to Section 89 of the Constitution and S.O. 7(1) and (2), Mr. Speaker asked the Clerk to check the number of Members present in the Chamber and in the event of a drop in the quorum effect one by calling in MPs in the Lounge and the restaurant.

**Continued debate**

**Hon. Patricia U. Dancay-Bangura**

7. **Hon. Umar Paran Tarawally**
8. **Hon. Gladys Gbemoh Gbappy-Brima**

**The House rose at 12:40 p.m and resumed at 1:00 p.m.**

**Continued debate**

- 9. Hon. Moses Jorkie**
- 10. Hon. Dr. Aiah Dabundeh**
- 11. Hon. Fancis Kowa**

**Ruling by Mr. Speaker** – That the proceedings of the House are strictly governed by the sacrosanct Constitution as well as the Standing Orders. No quorum could be obtained in spite of the effort of the Clerk and the cogent contributions from the opposition. In accordance with the direction of the said-constitutional provision and the S.O.s, Mr. Speaker adjourned the Second Reading of the debate on the bill.

**VIII. S.O. 23**

- 1. Hon. Benneh Bangura** –That a journalist from the Salone Times and also a Member of the Press Gallery in Parliament misinformed the public by stating that the Chairman of Sub-Appropriation Committee No. 3 said that the Minister of Information and Communications spent Le 3 billion on travelling, while the Deputy Minister is in possession of 4 vehicles, which is not true. Furthermore, the journalist continued to say that the Committee Chairman was an A.P.C. MP.
- 2. Hon. Bashiru Silliky** –Drew the attention of the House to the responsibility given to the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Information to look into the activities of Airtel and other Mobile Phone Companies with regards to their service tariff.
- 3. Hon. Benneh Bangura** replied that he did summon them, and would present the report to the House.

**IX. ANNOUNCEMENT:** by the Table Clerk **Mr. Lamin Yansanneh**

- 1. Members of the Social Welfare Committee were summoned to a meeting immediately after adjournment
- 2. The management of Ran Enterprise (Parliament Canteen) will be coming up with a grand Happy Hour Carnival on Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

**X. ADJOURNMENT :**

**Mr. Speaker** adjourned the House to Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2015, at **10:00 a.m.**

**The House rose at 1:30 p.m.**

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