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### **SECOND SESSION OF THE SIXTH PARLIAMENT OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE**

#### **SIXTH REPORT (EXCERPT OF FOURTH REPORT) OF THE COMMITTEE OF APPOINTMENTS AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE ON PARLIAMENTARY VETTINGS OF PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS – JANUARY, 2025**

##### **I. INTRODUCTION**

Mr. Speaker, Honourable Members, the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service that is charged with the responsibility of vetting Presidential nominees met on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024**, and interviewed amongst others the following nominees:

- i. Proposed Deputy Permanent Representative 2 (Legal) of the United Nations
- ii. Proposed Member, Electricity Generation and Transmission Company(EGTC)

##### **2. PROCEDURE**

The Committee conducted as usual its hearing within the framework of procedures and interviewed the nominees on issues pertaining to their backgrounds to ensure that they have the required education and proven track records in pertinent work situations for such appointments to important offices of state. Further probing questions put to the appointees covered wide ranging issues relating to declared assets, tax obligations and their visions for productive tenure. Issues of unsuitability or otherwise were also closely looked into by the Committee.

##### **3. Fourth Sitting of the Committee on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2024**

In tandem, with the above the Committee interviewed the following Presidential Nominees on oath:

- i. **Madam Michaella Barbara Eddina Swallow ,Proposed Deputy Permanent Representative 2(Legal) of the United Nations.**

Madam Michaella Barbara Eddina Swallow is an acclaimed Barrister by profession with no mean standing. She is a hard working woman that has excelled in several assignments both nationally and internationally. She holds a Master Degree in Law (LLM) in International Business and Commercial Law with Distinction from the University of East Anglia, Norwich, United Kingdom (2010-2012). She was called to the Bar in 2007.

Amongst her several professional services, the Committee noted the following:

- 2008-2012 - Barrister and Solicitor of Wright and Co Solicitors, Freetown ,Sierra Leone
- 2014-2015 – Head Legal and Corporate Affairs.
- 2015-2019, Company Secretary, SKY Bank Ltd ,Freetown.
- July 2019 –Senior Legal Counsel, Petroleum Directorate of Sierra Leone.

Mr Speaker ,Honourable Members, the nominee has offered pro bono services as :

- 2020-2024 : President, the Sierra Leone Bar Association
- 2023-2024: Transitional Chairman, West African Bar Association
- 2022 to date Elected Governing Member, Common Wealth Lawyers Association, to name but a few.

Responding to probing questions on her role as legal representative of the Government of Sierra Leone at the United Nations, Mrs.Eddina Swallow said "The United Nations has a lot of protocols , conventions,agreement and contracts that it enters into with Member Countries and International Organizations. These need legal minds to ensure that Sierra Leone is fairly represented. One of my prime role is to advise the Permanent Representative and the Government of Sierra Leone on the merits and demerits of all legal agreements entered into for and on behalf of the Government of Sierra Leone at the United Nations". She concluded.

**ii Mr Allan Spaceline Tuboku Metzger,Proposed Member, Electricity Generation and Transmission Company (EGTC)**

Mr. Metzger is a trade unionist with adept knowledge in entrepreneurial development and management, networking of businesses and a teacher in computer Science. He has profound knowledge working with the Chamber of Commerce and has always exhibited hardwork and loyalty.

The nominee holds several certificates to his credit and has proven records of producing excellent results in any assignment.

He promised to work with colleagues to improve on the service delivery of EDSA especially in areas of revenue accountability.

#### **4. Recommendations**

Mr. Speaker, Honourable Members, the Committee adjudged the following Presidential nominees to be adequately qualified for their proposed appointments and are therefore recommended to the House for approval:

- i. Madam Michaella Barbara Eddina Swallow ,Proposed Deputy Permanent Representative 2(Legal) of the United Nations
- iii. Mr. Allan SpacelineTuboku Metzger,Proposed Member, Electricity Generation and Transmission Company(EGTC)

#### **5. Conclusion**

Mr. Speaker, Honourable Members, the **Sixth Report** reflects the **unanimous** view of the Committee. I therefore move that the **Sixth Report** of the Second Session of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service be adopted by the House and that the recommendations contained therein be approved.

Signed .....

**Honourable Mathew Sahr Nyuma,JP**

**Chairman & Leader of Government Business**