



FIFTH PARLIAMENT
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THURSDAY, 11TH MARCH, 2021

The House met at 11:45 a.m.
The Deputy Speaker, Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas in the Chair

I. ATTENDANCE:

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:

NO	NAME	PARTY	DISTRICT	CONST
1.	<i>Hon. Abdulai Osman Charles</i>	SLPP	Bo	079
2.	<i>Hon. Alhadi Lihadi</i>	APC	Western Urban	123
3.	<i>Hon. Alu-Conteh Alusine Kainde</i>	APC	Western Urban	125
4.	<i>Hon. Amara Haja Miatta</i>	APC	Western Rural	112
5.	<i>Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu</i>	APC	Western Urban	115
6.	<i>Hon. Bah Chernor R.M.</i>	APC	Western Urban	126
7.	<i>Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty</i>	APC	Karene	065
8.	<i>Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz</i>	APC	Pot Loko	076
9.	<i>Hon. Bangura Mohamed</i>	APC	Karene	066
10.	<i>Hon. Bangura Rosemarie</i>	APC	Tonkolili	055
11.	<i>Hon. Bhendu Francis Saa</i>	C4C	Kono	027
12.	<i>Hon. Braima Zainab Kama</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	010
13.	<i>Hon. Bubu Ngbak IV P.C. Bai Farama Tass</i>	-	Kambia	-
14.	<i>Hon. Charles Sahr</i>	C4C	Kono	028
15.	<i>Hon. Conteh Abdul S. Marray</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	130
16.	<i>Hon. Conteh Ibrahim</i>	APC	Tonkolili	053
17.	<i>Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	132
18.	<i>Hon. Conteh Samba Paul</i>	APC	Bombali	035
19.	<i>Hon. Davies Kadijatu</i>	APC	Western Rural	110
20.	<i>Hon. Edwin Moses Andrew</i>	SLPP	Bonthe	090
21.	<i>Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa</i>	SLPP	BO	078
22.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Abubakarr</i>	SLPP	Kenema	016
23.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr</i>	APC	Western Rural	107
24.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Musa</i>	C4C	Kono	023
25.	<i>Hon. Gberek III P. C. Bai Shebora Sehba</i>	-	Port Loko	-
26.	<i>Hon. George Edward</i>	SLPP	Moyamba	097
27.	<i>Hon. Gevao Moiwo Hindolo</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	003
28.	<i>Hon. Hafiju Maada Kanja</i>	SLPP	Kenema	018
29.	<i>Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fode Madie</i>	SLPP	Falaba	040
30.	<i>Hon. Jalloh Musa Bamba Foray</i>	SLPP	Tonkolili	056



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31.	Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie	SLPP	Western Rural	109
32.	Hon. Jalloh Timbo Wurroh	APC	Western Urban	119
33.	Hon. Jorkie Moses Baimba	SLPP	Bonthe	091
34.	Hon. Juana Sahr	SLPP	Kailahun	002
35.	Hon. Kabba Lamin Foday	APC	Koinadugu	044
36.	Hon. Kabia Mohamed	APC	Western Rural	106
37.	Hon. Kalokoh Mark Mahmoud (Dr.)	APC	Bombali	032
38.	Hon. Kamanda Komba Mansamayao	C4C	Kono	024
39.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Joseph Bash	SLPP	Bo	084
40.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Kambia	059
41.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko	069
42.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Titus	NGC	Kambia	061
43.	Hon. Kamara Allieu Ibrahim	SLPP	Western Urban	122
44.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash	APC	Karene	067
45.	Hon. Kamara Bai Sama	NGC	Kambia	060
46.	Hon. Kamara Foday Mario	NGC	Kambia	057
47.	Hon. Kamara Ibrahim	APC	Karene	063
48.	Hon. Kamara Ibrahim Bun (Dr.)	APC	Port Loko	068
49.	Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei	C4C	Kono	029
50.	Hon. Kamara Saidu Babah	APC	Port Loko	071
51.	Hon. Kanneh Alusine	SLPP	Kenema	013
52.	Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph	SLPP	Western Rural	108
53.	Hon. Kanu Alimamy Brun	APC	Port Loko	072
54.	Hon. Kanu Amadu	APC	Moyamba	093
55.	Hon. Kanu Rugiatus Rosy	APC	Western Urban	113
56.	Hon. Kargbo Ibrahim Ben	APC	Bombali	034
57.	Hon. Kargbo Papa Abdulai	APC	Tonkolili	047
58.	Hon. Kargbo Roland Foday (Dr.)	APC	Karene	064
59.	Hon. Kassegbama Aiah David Shek	C4C	Kono	026
60.	Hon. Kawalleh II P. C. Alhaji Kandeh Paria	-	Karene	-
61.	Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna	APC	Tonkolili	048
62.	Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima	APC	Koinadugu	046
63.	Hon. Koroma John Telson	SLPP	Western Urban	127
64.	Hon. Koroma Manuel Allieu	APC	Bombali	036
65.	Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba	APC	Bombali	033
66.	Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbassay (Dr.)	APC	Western Urban	114
67.	Hon. Kumabeh Jebbeh Alice	SLPP	Bonthe	092
68.	Hon. Lahai Musa	SLPP	Kailahun	009
69.	Hon. Lamina Emerson Saa	C4C	Kono	030
70.	Hon. Lansana Abdul Muniru	SLPP	Western Urban	121
71.	Hon. Lansana Festus Mohamed	SLPP	Kenema	015



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72.	Hon. Lebbie Nenneh	SLPP	Bo	086
73.	Hon. Lebby Ambrose Maada	SLPP	Bo	083
74.	Hon. Macavoray P. C. Kangbai Joe (Prof.)	-	Bo	-
75.	Hon. Manly-Spain Ajibola Emmanuel	APC	Western Urban	124
76.	Hon. Mansaray Abu	APC	Port Loko	074
77.	Hon. Marah III P.C. Alie Balansama	-	Koinadugu	-
78.	Hon. Marah Alusine	APC	Falaba	041
79.	Hon. Marrah III P. C. Fasalie Kulako Demba	-	Falaba	-
80.	Hon. Marah Lahai	APC	Falaba	042
81.	Hon. Mbriwa II P. C. Sahr Youngai Kontanday	-	Kono	-
82.	Hon. Moigua Peter Musa	SLPP	Kenema	011
83.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenema	021
84.	Hon. Pewa P. C. Prince Mambu	-	Kenema	-
85.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun	102
86.	Hon. Salia-Konneh Quintin	INDEPENDENT	Kailahun	007
87.	Hon. Sama Musa Shiaka	INDEPENDENT	Pujehun	104
88.	Hon. Samura Hajaratu Faith	APC	Western Urban	117
89.	Hon. Sandy Ishmail Sama	SLPP	Bo	080
90.	Hon. Sandy Tennyson Hindolo	SLPP	Western Urban	120
91.	Hon. Sanka III P. C. Bai Kurr Kanagbaro	-	Tonkolili	-
92.	Hon. Sankoh Hassan	APC	Tonkolili	049
93.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba	095
94.	Hon. Sesay Abdoul Hassan	APC	Tonkolili	050
95.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latif	APC	Port Loko	075
96.	Hon. Sesay Daniel Abdulai (Dr.)	APC	Tonkolili	052
97.	Hon. Sesay Kusan	APC	Koinadugu	045
98.	Hon. Sesay Osman Sallieu	APC	Bombali	038
99.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba	039
100.	Hon. Sheriff P. C. Alie Badara	-	Bonthe	-
101.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Bo	082
102.	Hon. Tarawalie Issac	APC	Western Urban	118
103.	Hon. Tarawally Zainab Catherine	APC	Bombali	037
104.	Hon. Tholley James Ozan	APC	Tonkolili	054
105.	Hon. Thomas Segepoh Solomon	SLPP	Bonthe	089
106.	Hon. Tongi Lolloh Emilia	INDEPENDENT	Kailahun	001
107.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono	022
108.	Hon. Turay Abdul	APC	Western Rural	105
109.	Hon. Turay Ahmed Samba	APC	Port Loko	073
110.	Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba	APC	Tonkolili	051
111.	Hon. Turay Sheku Munirr (Dr.)	SLPP	Pujehun	099
112.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Keikura	SLPP	Bo	088



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113.	Hon. Vincent Horace E.	SLPP	Western Rural	111
114.	Hon. Williams- Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Bo	081

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT WITH EXCUSE:

1.	Hon. Ansumana Aloysious Bockarie	SLPP	Kailahun	005
2.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahinteh	SLPP	Bo	085
3.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun	004
4.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Kenema	012
5.	Hon. Conteh Emmanuel Saidu	APC	Western Urban	129
6.	Hon. Conteh John Charles	APC	Bombali	031
7.	Hon. Fefegula Simeon	SLPP	Moyamba	096
8.	Hon. Finnoh III P. C. Kandeh	-	Bombali	-
9.	Hon. Gbekie Emmanuel Sahr	SLPP	Western Urban	116
10.	Hon. Gondor II P. C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun	-
11.	Hon. Kaisamba Amara Francis	SLPP	Kenema	020
12.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Osaio	APC	Kambia	058
13.	Hon. Kanneh Mohamed	SLPP	Kailahun	006
14.	Hon. Kargbo Abdul	APC	Port Loko	077
15.	Hon. Kemokai Abu	SLPP	Pujehun	103
16.	Hon. Koroma Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko	070
17.	Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue IV P. C. F. H. Bintu	-	Moyamba	-
18.	Hon. Lansana-Minah P. C. Matilda Yaye	-	Pujehun	-
19.	Hon. Lavalie-Tshombe Dominic Jaybeh	SLPP	Moyamba	098
20.	Hon. Mackery Yusuf	SLPP	Bo	087
21.	Hon. Makieu Josephine	SLPP	Kenema	014
22.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema	017
23.	Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla	APC	Koinadugu	043
24.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema	019
25.	Hon. Rahman-Coker Mohamed Sheriff	SLPP	Western Urban	131
26.	Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh	SLPP	Pujehun	100
27.	Hon. Sam Paul Saa	C4C	Kono	025
28.	Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie	SLPP	Moyamba	094
29.	Hon. Songa Wuyatta Bernadette	SLPP	Kailahun	008
30.	Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed	SLPP	Pujehun	101
31.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	Western Urban	128
32.	Hon. Yumkella Kandeh Kolleh (Dr.)	NGC	Kambia	062



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1. Prayers were read by **Mrs. Tangella M.C. Sam (Table Clerk)**.

2. Suspension of Standing Order 5(2) at 11:45 a.m.

The motion for the suspension of S. O. 5 (2) at 11:45 a.m. was moved by **Hon. Alusine Kanneh of Constituency 013, Kenema District** for the commencement of proceedings. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin of Constituency 081, Bo District** and approved by the House.

3. Adoption of The Record of Votes and Proceedings for Thursday 4th March, 2021:

The motion for the adoption of Record of Votes and Proceedings for **Thursday 4th March, 2021** was moved by **Hon. Ambrose Maada Lebby of Constituency 083, Bo District**. It was seconded by **Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin of Constituency 081, Bo District** and adopted by the House.

4. Mr. Speaker's Announcement:

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District**, reminded the House about his order for the formation of a Special Select Committee to investigate the pollution of the Taia River due to the complaint that was made by **Hon. Jebbeh Alice Kumabeh of Constituency 092, Bonthe District**. In the absence of the Chairman (**Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina**) as well as the Deputy Chairman (**Hon. Yusuf Mackery**), the Acting Speaker called upon **Hon. Dr. Mark Mahmoud Kalokoh** to update the House on the said issue.

Hon. Dr. Mark Mahmoud Kalokoh of Constituency 032, Bombali District informed the House about the meeting that was held immediately after that day's sitting. He told the House that in the said meeting, they discussed the object of the Committee and the budget that should be presented to the Clerk of Parliament (**Hon. Paran Umar Tarawally**) for financial support. He informed the House that the Special Select Committee had proposed to leave on the 15th of March 2021 of which they would be in field for five days across Moyamba, Bonthe, Bo and Tonkolili Districts.

The Acting Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Bashiru Silikie of Constituency 082, Bo District**, moved a motion for the House to extend the mandate of the Special Select Committee for two weeks. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin of Constituency 081, Bo District** and approved by the House.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District**, urged the Chairman of the Special Select Committee to bring forth the report against two weeks. He said that it behooved them as Members of Parliament to treat the said matter with the kind of seriousness that it deserved.



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5. Bill: The Cybercrime Act, 2020 by The Minister of Information and Communications.

The Table Clerk, **Mrs. Tangella M.C. Sam**, called upon The Minister of Information and Communications to do the Introduction and First Reading of the bill.

The Chief Whip of Opposition, **Hon. Hassan A. Sesay of Constituency 050, Tonkolili District**, reported to the House about the telephone conversation that he had with the Minister of Health relating to the medical insurance of Members of Parliament. He informed the House that the Minister of Health (**Dr. Austin Hinga Demby**) had been looking forward to meet with him. He told Hon. Members that he would accordingly report to the House after meeting with the Minister of Health.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District**, totally agreed with **Hon. Hassan A. Sesay**. He stated that health insurance relating to Members of Parliament should not be in accordance with the heartbeat of a minister. He said he wanted the House to pass a law that would stand the test of time.

Continuation of the bill

Introduction and First Reading:

The Minister of Information and Communications, **Mr. Mohamed Rahman Swarray**, moved that the bill entitled "**The Cybercrime Act, 2020**" be read the **First Time**.

Mr. Speaker proposed and put the question for the bill to be read the First Time.

"All those in favour, say Aye"?

"All those against, say Nay"?

Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

The Table Clerk, **Mrs. Tangella M.C. Sam**, pronounced that the bill had been read the **First Time**.

The Table Clerk, **Mrs. Tangella M.C. Sam**, called upon The Minister of Information and Communications to do the **Second Reading** of the bill.

Second Reading:

The Minister of Information and Communications, **Mr. Mohamed Rahman Swarray**, moved that the bill entitled "**The Cybercrime Act, 2020**" be read the **Second Time**. He presented the objects and reasons of the bill to the House and again moved that the bill be read the **Second Time**.



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The Acting Speaker proposed the question for debate.

The following Hon. Members contributed to the debate of the bill:

No	Names of Honourable Members	Constituency	District
1	Hon. Boston Munda	021	Kenema
2	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	059	Kambia
3	Hon. Jebbeh Alice Kumabeh	092	Bonthe

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District**, asked the Chairman of the Committee on Internal Affairs, **Hon. Alusine Kanneh of Constituency 013, Kenema District** to particularly address him on the issue relating to the Barefoot Women Organization as serious allegations were made by **Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara** against the conduct of the Sierra Leone Police (SLP).

The Chairman of the Committee on Internal Affairs, **Hon. Alusine Kanneh of Constituency 013, Kenema District**, informed the House that the said matter had been discussed in the Committee on NaCSA and NGO. He said they had summoned the Inspector-General of Police (IGP) to appear before the Committee. He told the House that he himself was personally concerned because the case involved money of 20,000 Euros.

The Chairman of the Committee on NaCSA and NGO, **Hon. Dr. Roland F. Kargbo of Constituency 064, Karene District** informed the House that the case had been dragging on for about two years. He told the House that the case involved money of 20,000 Euros that was wired to the account of the Barefoot Women Organization but through a third party. He said that the German Authority had been behind them to have a police report. The police had failed to produce a report in the line of action. He informed the House that when the Committee called upon the Sierra Leone Police about some weeks ago, they found out that the Sierra Leone Police had not been able to produce a report. He said that (in the said meeting) the Committee was intending to detain the Chief Superintendent of Police (CID), but he was not detained at the end and a period of two weeks was given to the Sierra Leone Police to produce a report. He informed the House that when the Sierra Leone Police left the House of Parliament, they arrested the complainant who was the liaison officer between the German's organization and the Barefoot Women Organization. He told the House that the complainant was detained, his passport was taken, his phones were taken and his flight scheduled for the next day was missed. He also informed the House that the Sierra Leone Police kept the complainant in custody until he wrote an undertaking that Parliament should withdraw from the matter or else they would not let him travel. He said that since the money was wired through Sweden, the Swedish Police had sent a written notice to the Sierra Leone



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Police to confirm their suspicion that it was a case of fraud. Their request was seen as an assistance for the Swedish Police to easily trace the culprit.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District**, ordered that there should be a joint-committee meeting between the Committee on NaCSA and NGO and the Committee on Internal Affairs on Monday 15th of March 2021. He demanded that in that joint-committee meeting, there should be in presence the Inspector-General of Police (IG), The Director of Crime Management and the Head of the Criminal Investigation Department (CID). He declared that a police report relating to that investigation should be brought to the House in two weeks period after the said meeting on Monday 15th of March 2021.

Continued debate

4.	Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin	081	Bo
5.	Hon. P.C. Bai Kurr Kanagbaro Sanka III	Tonkolili
6.	Hon. Mohamed Bangura	066	Karene
5.	Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina	030	Kono

6. Suspension of S.O. 5 (2) at 12:00 p.m.

The motion for the suspension of Standing Order 5 (2) at 12 noon was moved by **Hon. Alusine Kanneh of Constituency 013, Kenema District** for the proceedings to continue during lunch. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Ambrose M. Lebby of Constituency 083, Bo District** and approved by the House.

Continued debate

	Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina	030	Kono
8.	Hon. Shiaka M. Sama	104	Pujehun

Standing Order 37 (Dilatory Motion):

The Acting Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Bashiru Silikie of Constituency 082, Bo District**, moved a motion to postpone the debate on the bill entitled “**The Cybercrime Act, 2020**” to a future date that the House would so call upon it. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Daniel B. Koroma of Constituency 047, Tonkolili District** and approved by the House.

The Leader of Opposition, **Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah of Constituency 126, Western Urban District** thanked the Minister of Information and Communications (**Mr. Mohamed Rahman Swarray**) and his team. He urged Hon. Members to go through the bill entitled “**The Cybercrime Act, 2020**.” He craved the indulgence of Members of Parliament to reach out as far as they could so that when they return, they would be better informed.



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The Acting Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Bashiru Silikie of Constituency 082, Bo District**, encouraged the Minister of Information and Communications (**Mr. Mohamed Rahman Swarry**) to talk to the security personnel (Office of National Security (ONS), Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU), The Sierra Leone Police (SLP), The Prison Department etc.) to witness the continuation of the debate on the next adjourned date. He also encouraged the Media and civil societies to participate in the process.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District**, ordered that all the relevant security institutions should be present for the continuation of the debate on the bill entitled '**The Cybercrime Act, 2020.**' on the next adjourned date.

The Table Clerk's Pronouncement:

The Table Clerk, **Mrs. Tangella M.C. Sam** pronounced that: "Pursuance to Standing Order 37 (1), the bill entitled "**The Cybercrime Act, 2020**" had been adjourned."

7. Standing Order 23 (Personal Explanations):

The following Hon. Members stood on S.O.23:

(i) The Leader of Opposition, **Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah of Constituency 126, Western Urban District** informed the House about the issue of the Kingho Mining Company Ltd. He said that he did not want to go over Section 40 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone (Act No. 6 of 1991). He said that the issue of the Kingho Mining was going out of control. He said that there should be no way that a company could mine their minerals without a mining lease. He told the House that it was time for the Minister of Mines and Mineral resources and his team (The National Mineral Agency - NMA) to appear before the House.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District** totally agreed with **Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah**. He urged that the parties involved should appear before the Leadership of Parliament so that they could chisel out the rough edges before they would come to the House. He ordered that the Minister of Mines and Mineral Resources (**Mr. Musa Timothy Kabba**), the Director-General (**Mr. Julius Daniel Mattai**) of the National Mineral Agency (NMA) and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) (**Mr. Gilbert Zhao**) of Kingho Mining Company Ltd. Should be invited to appear before the Leadership of Parliament on Tuesday 16th March, 2021 in the Conference Room of Mr. Speaker at 10:00 a.m. He urged the Chairman of the Committee on Mines and Mineral Resources (**Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina**) to be in attendance.

The Leader of Opposition, **Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah of Constituency 126, Western Urban District** told the House that the attitude of some road users was getting worse by the day, and the Sierra Leone Road Safety Authority (SLRSA) should be responsibly blamed. He told the House that their lives were not safe,



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and accidents were on the increase. He said that the name was changed from the Sierra Leone Road Transport Authority (SLRTA) to the Sierra Leone Road Safety Authority (SLRSA) for their safety. He pleaded with the Chairman of the Committee on Transport and Aviation to engage the Executive Director (**Mr. Ibrahim Sannoh**) of SLRSA.

Response by the Chairman of Transport and Aviation:

The Chairman of Transport and Aviation, **Hon. Ambrose Maada Lebby of Constituency 083, Bo District**, informed the House that the **SLRSA** together with the Minister of Transport and Aviation (**Mr. Kabineh M. Kallon**) as well as his permanent secretary (**Mr. Brima Munda Sowa**) was supposed to appear before the Committee. He told the House that on the day towards the meeting, the Committee was informed that the Deputy Minister of Transport and Aviation had lost his father whose burial ceremony would take place on the following day. On that understandable reason, the meeting that was supposed to be held was deferred.

Mr. Speaker's Declaration:

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District** agreed with the Chairman of Transport and Aviation. He stated the following for the attention of all Chairmen as quoted: “That when Parliament summons any head of Ministry, Department and Agency – MDA, the only reason that is worthwhile would be either that the Minister is attending Cabinet or that head of MDA is part of a cabinet sub-committee and they have to meet or that head of MDA has been summoned by the presidency apart from the moral ones that we will wholeheartedly accept other whilst they should come at all cost. The summon of Parliament takes precedence if not related to the issues that I have mentioned.”

- (ii) **Hon. P.C. Bai Kurr Kanagbaro Sanka III of Tonkolili District** informed the House about the heavy traffic that was created by the Sierra Leone Road Authority (SLRA) and the Sierra Leone Road Safety Authority (SLRSA) along Kissy Road as they were filling pot holes. He advised that repairs of that nature should be done at night (from 10:00 pm to 6:00 am).
- (iii) **Hon. Dr. Mark Mahmoud Kalokoh of Constituency 032, Bombali District** reminded the House about the tragedy that took place in his constituency that seriously affected his football team. He informed the House that The Federation of International Football Association (FIFA) sent message of condolences. He told Hon. Members that since he had informed the House about the issue, he was yet to hear the concerns of Parliament. He said that he appreciated the prayers, and he further requested that they



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needed stakeholders' intervention. He appealed to the House and especially the Leadership of Parliament to intervene robustly.

(iv) **Hon. P.C. Alhaji Kandeh Paria Kawalleh II of Karene District** reminded the House about the issue that he had earlier raised concerning the name of his chiefdom as the problem was still continuing. He told the House that the previous name of his chiefdom was Sanda Bonkoh and not Banti. He pleaded to Mr. Speaker to intervene on the said issue so that he would have the previous name of his chiefdom. He also informed the House about his naming ceremony that would take place on 4th of April, 2021 in his district. He invited the entire House to witness the naming ceremony.

(v) **Hon. Horace E. Vincent of Constituency 111, Western Rural District** informed the House about the devastation of transformers in his constituency as well as other constituencies. He craved the indulgence of the security sectors to man those transformers. He reminded the House about the destruction caused to the Savage Street Bridge and also informed the House about the Massive structures that had been taking place on both sides of the bridge at Hastings Junction as well as the bridge at Rogbangba Junction. He said those actions would affect the sustainability of those two bridges and craved the indulgence of the House through the relevant committees to treat the issue seriously.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Acting Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas of Constituency 089, Bonthe District** urged a joint-committee meeting among the Committee on Works, the Committee on Lands and Housing and the Committee on Environment that should be headed by the Deputy Leader of Government Business (**Hon. Bashiru Silikie**) to do some form of investigation and bring forth a report to the House.

(vi) **Hon. Ishmail S. Sandy of Constituency 080, Bo District** talked on the Cybercrime in relation to the Barefoot Women Organization. He informed the House that two Local NGOs had gone without funding for over a year. He told the House that Local Non-Governmental Organizations would be deprived of funding if the said issue was not treated very seriously. He craved the indulgence of Hon. Members to treat the issue with the utmost seriousness that it deserved.

8. Adjournment:

- The Acting Speaker adjourned the House to Thursday 18th March 2021 at 10:00 a.m.
- The House rose at 12:45 p.m.