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FOURTH SESSION, 2010/2011
SECOND MEETING OF THE HOUSE
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

NO.26/2010/2011

THURSDAY

20TH JANUARY, 2011

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THE HOUSE MET AT 10:50 A.M.

MR.SPEAKER IN THE CHAIR - HON.VICTOR C. JOHNSON

ATTENDANCE:

I. The following Honourable Members were Present

1. HON.ALPHA-LAVALIE ELIZABETH T.
2. HON.BABONJO EMMANUEL T.
3. HON.BAH CHERNOR R.M.
4. HON.BANGURA BENNEH
5. HON.BANGURA IBRAHIM M.
6. HON.BANGURA KANDE C.
7. HON.BANNISTER MALCOLM S.
8. HON.BETTS-PRIDY MANIE
9. HON.BOYAH KES
10. HON.BUNDU IBRAHIM R.
11. HON.CONTEH DAVID B.
12. HON.CONTEH KONDEH YAPOH

13. HON.CONTEH MOININA
14. HON.CUFFIE JULIUS NYE
15. HON.DARAMY ALHAJI A.O.
16. HON.BUMBUYA DAUDA
17. HON.DUMBUYA SHEKU B.B.
18. HON.DUMBUYA SHEKU GIBRIL
19. HON.FASULUKU SAHR N.
20. HON.FEIKA SOLOMON W.
21. HON.FENGAI P.C.KAIMACHENDE S.K.
22. HON.FORNAH MABINTY
23. HON.FOYAH ALICE M.
24. HON.HALLOWELL LLOYD MAGNUS
25. HON.HASSAN SHERIFF B.
26. HON.JALLOH MARIE M.
27. HON.JONES RAYMOND M.
28. HON.KAIKAI ANSUMANA JAIA
29. HON.KAISAMBA JAMES A.
30. HON.KALAWA CHARLES H.
31. HON.KALLON MARCUS B.
32. HON.KAMANDA CLAUDE D.M.
33. HON.KAMARA ABDUL R.
34. HON.KAMARA ALHAJI BUYA
35. HON.KAMARA KOMBOR
36. HON.KAMARA KOYA KALLA
37. HON.KAMARA MORLAI B.S.
38. HON.KAMARA PAUL
39. HON.KAMARA PHILIPSON H.
40. HON.KANU AMADU
41. HON.KANU KHALIL MOHAMED
42. HON.KARGBO ALIMAMY G.
43. HON.KARGBO KEWULAY M.
44. HON.KARGBO SUFIAN M.
45. HON.KARGBO PATRICK L.M.
46. HON.KASANGA II P.C.BAI SEBORA
47. HON.KEBBIE P.C.BRIMA VICTOR SIDI
48. HON.KEMOKAI LANSANA I.
49. HON.KOEDOYOMA KOMBA E.
50. HON.KOMBE-BUNDU FLORENCE
51. HON.KONDEH DANDA M.
52. HON.KONTEH ABU

53. HON.KONUWA FRANCIS A.
54. HON.KOROMA ABU B.
55. HON.KOROMA ISATU G.
56. HON.KOROMA JACOB I.
57. HON.KOWA EMMA
58. HON.KPOSOWA FRANK
59. HON.DR.LAHAI BERNADETTE
60. HON.LAVALIE JOLLY-BOY M.
61. HON.LEBBIE NENNEH
62. HON.MACARTHY SAM-MAY L.
63. HON.MAC-BAILEY ALBERT
64. HON.MANLY-SPAIN AJIBOLA EMANUEL
65. HON.MANSARAY JUSUFU B.
66. HON.MANSARAY THOMAS I.
67. HON.MASSAQUOI ALOYSIUS M.K.
68. HON.MOIJUEH EMILIE SAFULA
69. HON.MOMOH SIAFA J.
70. HON.MUSA JINA JAMES
71. HON.MUSTAPHA JOSEPH A.
72. HON.MYERS BINTU
73. HON.NYUMA MATHEW S.
74. HON.OSHO-WILLIAMS BLISS
75. HON.PUJEH MOMOH
76. HON.RADDAR HENNEH HASSAN
77. HON.ROGERS FRANCESS
78. HON.SAMA SHIAKA M.
79. HON.SAMURA UNISA S.
80. HON.SANKA III P.C.BAI KURR KANAGBARO
81. HON.SANKOH YILLAH NURU DEEN
82. HON.SESAY DAVID A.
83. HON.DR.SESAY MOSES M.
84. HON.SESAY VERONICA K.
85. HON.SISAY SULAIMAN M.
86. HON.SORIBA DAVID G.
87. HON.SORIE IBRAHIM
88. HON.SUWU THERESA
89. HON.DR.TEAMBO MATTHEW M.T.
90. HON.THULLAH ALHAJI Y.
91. HON.TOMMY EMMANUEL W.
92. HON.TOMMY HENRY E.

- 93. HON.TONDONEH PHILIP TETEMA
- 94. HON.TORTO AUGUSTINE B.
- 95. HON.TURAY ALIMAMY C.
- 96. HON.TURAY SALAMATU
- 97. HON.YEK ALHAJI BAI SHEBORA II P.C.
- 98. HON.YOKIE FODAY RADO

II. The following Honourable Members were absent:

- 1. HON.BANYA IV P.C.MOHAMED SAMA KAILONDO
- 2. HON.HINDOWA V P.C. BINDI SAMBA
- 3. HON.KAIGBANJA TAMBA E.
- 4. HON.DR.KAMANDA MOURIE B.
- 5. HON.KAMARA MOMORIE MADUSU
- 6. HON.KANGOVA II P.C.JEREMIAH SINNAH-YOVONIE
- 7. HON.KING EUSTACE A.
- 8. HON.LEWALLY ALPHA BABATUNDE
- 9. HON.MARAH III P.C.ALIE BALANSAMA
- 10. HON.MUNU ALLIEU BADDARA K.
- 11. HON.SAM MUSA T.
- 12. HON.SANKOH ALIE SALIEU
- 13. HON.SANKOH LEGACY
- 14. HON.SHERIFF P.C.ALLIEU B.
- 15. HON.SOLOKU EDWARD A.
- 16. HON.TURAY ALLIEU BADARA
- 17. HON.TURAY ALIMAMY C.
- 18. HON.REV.YANSANEH MARIE

III. The following Honourable Members were absent with Excuse:

- 1. HON.BENYA V P.C. MOHAMED DHAFFIE
- 2. HON.FALEY ROBIN E.S.
- 3. HON.JUMU ERIC B.
- 4. KAMARA ALIMAMY A.
- 5. HON.SALLU-LUGBU II P.C.BAI BUREH
- 6. HON.TARAWALLIE MOHAMED A.

IV. PRAYERS: The Clerk of Parliament said the prayer

V. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 5(2)

Hon. Ibrahim Bundu moved for the suspension of Standing Order 5(2), seconded by Hon.Kewulay M.Kargbo and was unanimously accepted by Members.

At that juncture, in accordance with Standing Order 75, the Speaker cautioned Journalists to be very careful about premature reporting of the proceedings of Parliamentary Committees, especially when Committees are in session.

He reiterated that journalists should not be present at Sub-Committee meetings, but be given the Opportunity to attend during the Committee of the whole House (in plenary) which is open to the public. He added that all enquiries about Parliament should be done through the office of the Speaker, who is responsible for regulating the debates and proceedings of the House.

Therefore the deliberations of Sub-Committees should not be published before the Committees have presented their reports to the House.

VI. CORRECTIONS AND ADOPTION OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE SITTING HELD ON THURSDAY 13TH JANUARY,2011

Hon. Ibrahim Bundu, Majority Party Whip moved for the adoption of the votes and proceedings.

He was seconded by Hon. Charles H.Kalawa and was unanimously accepted with slight amendments made by Hon. Bliss Osho-Williams that he was absent with excuse.

VII. GOVERNMENT MOTION:

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.

Be it Resolved:

That this Honourable House ratify the following Agreements which were laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday 14th September, 2010

1. Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Government of the State of Kuwait on Economic and Technical Cooperation, dated 24th May,2010

2. Trade Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Government of the State of Kuwait, dated 24th May,2010
3. Memorandum of Understanding on conducting of Bilateral Consultations between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the International Cooperation of the Republic of Sierra Leone and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait, dated 24th May,2010
4. Convention No.182 on Worst Forms of Child Labour Adopted on 17th June, 1999 by the General Conference of the International Labour Organization at its Eighty-Seventh Session, dated 19th November, 2000, in accordance with Article 10.
5. Convention 138 Minimum Age Convention, 1973.

At that point, Hon.Chernor Bah pursuant to Standing Order 34 requested that item 1, 2 and 3, on the motions on the Order Paper be dealt with separately from item 4 and 5.

This was unanimously accepted.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Mr J.B.Dauda, and the following Honourable Members contributed to the debate on the motion:

1. Mr.J.B.Dauda – Minister
2. Hon. Augustine B.Torto
3. Hon. Eric K.Koedoyoma
4. Hon.M.Sufian Kargbo
5. Hon.Ansumana J.Kaikai
6. Hon.Nuru Deen Yilla Sankoh
7. Hon.Momoh Pujeh
8. Hon.Sheku B.B.Dumbuya

The Minister responded to various issues raised and moved for the ratification of the motions under item 1, 2 and 3.

The Motions were ratified by a unanimous collection of voices.

VIII. Ratification of Conventions under items IV and V

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Mr.J.B.Dauda, and the following Honourable Members contributed to the debate:

1. Mr.J.B.Dauda – Minister
2. Hon.Dr.Bernadette Lahai
3. Hon. Ibrahim Bundu

Standing Order 5(2) was suspended by a motion moved by Hon.Chernor Bah at 12:00 p.m.

and seconded by Hon Mani-Betts Priddy.The motion was unanimously accepted by members.

Debate continued by Hon. Ibrahim Bundu,

4. Hon.Foday Rado Yokie
5. Hon.Momoh Pujeh
6. Hon.M.Sufian Kargbo

The Minister responded to the various issues raised and thereafter moved for the ratification of the motions under items IV and V.

Government motion on the Conventions numbered IV and V were ratified by a unanimous collection of voices.

STANDING ORDER 23 (PERSONAL EXPLANATION)

The following Honourable Members stood on Standing Order 23

1. Hon. Philip Tondoneh: With reference to the Sierra Leone 50 years' anniversary celebrations, Hon.Philip Tondoneh expressed concern about the role Parliament must play towards the 50 years anniversary celebrations. He gave notice of a motion for the 50th anniversary steering Committee Chairman to be summoned to Parliament to explain the participation of Parliament in the 50th anniversary celebrations and to furnish Parliament with the Anniversary's Steering Committee Strategic Plan.

At that point, Hon.Elizabeth Alpha-Lavalie informed the House that a correspondence has been sent to Parliament in connection with the 50th anniversary celebrations.

In the light of the foregoing, the Speaker requested Hon. Philip Tondoneh to make a follow up on the matter.

Hon.Chernor Bah however disclosed that Parliament was involved in the preparation stage with the 50th anniversary steering Committee

2. Hon.Dr.Bernadette Lahai: that before the commissioning of the Kenema/Pendembu Highway, maintenance has been going on, but after the commissioning, maintenance of the road by the construction company and the Sierra Leone Roads Authority (SLRA), which has been doing a regular spot check, has been slow and ineffective. The Honourable Member called on the Committee on Works to look into the matter, Whilst SLRA continues to do regular spot checks.
3. Hon. Mani-Betts Priddy: The Honourable Member brought to the attention of the House, the manner in which Poda Poda and Okada riders are frequently violating traffic rules and that at times traffic wardens and police are not deployed to ensure conformity with traffic rules.

He added that road contractors should undertake work at night in order to ease traffic congestion.

The Speaker then referred the matter to the chairman of the Committees on Internal Affairs and Committee of Works.

4. Hon. Emmanuel W.Tommy: Raised concern about the violation of the Privileges of Members of Parliament.The Police, the Honourable Member said, is not giving the Members of Parliament the necessary courtesies that would reflect the dignity and status of a Member of Parliament.

In response, the Speaker reminded Members of Parliament of their Parliamentary powers and further informed Members to summon the Inspector-General of Police to a Committee meeting on the matter.

5. Hon.Shiaka Sama: Observed that the Speaker does not catch the eye of Members belonging to the Peoples Movement for Democratic Change (PMDC) Party during debate.

However after the explanation given by the Speaker, Hon.Shiaka Sama apologized for making the observation.

6. Hon. Sam Macarthy: That a disaster is waiting to happen at the Ferry Terminal at Lungi, because a barricade has been erected causing obstruction to the Ferries. He called on the Minister of Transport and Aviation to look into the matter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. All Members of Parliament were requested to attend a Pre-legislation hearing on Monday, 24th January, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at Committee Room One(1) to deliberate on the Agreement between the Government of Sierra Leone and the European Hydro-Carbon dated 23rd April, 2010 which was laid on the table of the House on the 9th day of December 2010.
2. Members were informed that the Speaker's Party would take place on Friday 21st January, 2011 at the State Hall of Parliament at 4:00 p.m.
3. Members of Parliamentary Finance Sub-Committees were informed that some officers from Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDA'S) were still waiting to be interviewed.

THE SPEAKER ADJOURNED THE HOUSE SINE DIE.

THE HOUSE ROSE AT 12:45 P.M.