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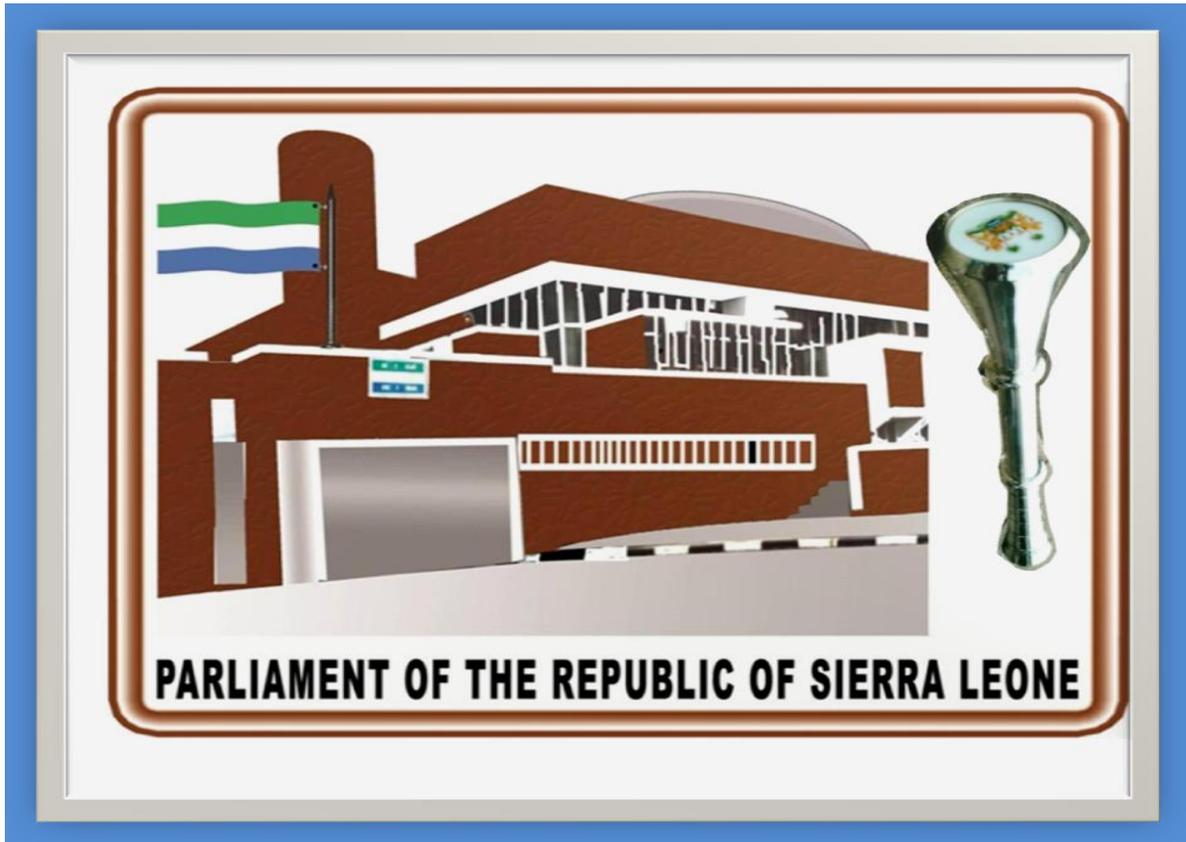
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**FIRST SESSION-FIRST MEETING
OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT
OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC**

Tuesday, 24th September, 2013.

The House met at 10:00 a.m. in Parliament Building, Tower Hill, Freetown.

I. PRAYERS

[The Clerk of Parliament, Hon. Ibrahim Sulaiman Sesay, Read the Prayers].

[The Speaker, Hon. Justice Abel Nathaniel Bankole Stronge, in the Chair].

The House was called to Order

II. CORRECTION OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS FOR FRIDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER, 2013.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

THE SPEAKER: Honourable Members, I welcome you all to this Session. I wish you a happy Session and I hope you had a good vacation as I had (*Laughter*). We go through the record of Votes and Proceedings for Friday, 13th September, 2013. Page 1? Page 2? Page 3? Page 4? Page 5? Page 6? Page 7? Can somebody move that the record of Votes and Proceedings for Friday, 13th September, 2013 be adopted as presented?

HON. ROSALINE SMITH: Mr Speaker I so move.

THE SPEAKER: Any seconder?

HON. MUNU: I so second Mr Speaker.

(Question Proposed, Put and Agreed to)

(Record of votes and proceedings for Friday 13 September 2013 was unanimously adopted as presented)

III. PAPERS LAID

MAJORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE AND LEADER OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

HONOURABLE S. B. B. DUMBUYA.

HON. S. B. B. DUMBUYA: Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I beg to lay on the Table the following Papers in my capacity as the Majority Leader and Leader of Government Business:

(a) THE TRAFFIC WARDEN CORPS DISCIPLINARY REGULATIONS, 2013.

THE ROAD TRANSPORT AUTHORITY ACT, 2006 (ACT. NO. 4 OF 2006)

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT NO.9 OF 2013;

(b) THE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION (MINES AND MINERALS) REGULATIONS, 2013.

THE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AGENCY ACT, 2008 (ACT NO. 11 OF 2008)

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT NO. 10 OF 2013;

(c) THE INDEPENDENT POLICE COMPLAINTS BOARD REGULATIONS, 2013.

THE CONSTITUTION OF SIERRA LEONE 1991 (ACT NO. 6 OF 1991)

CONSTITUTIONAL INSTRUMENT NO. 11 OF 2013;

(d) THE STATE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN SIERRA LEONE 2012 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION OF SIERRA LEONE; AND

(e) THE MINISTER OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES

THE MINES AND MINERALS OPERATIONAL REGULATIONS, 2013

THE MINES AND MINERALS ACT, 2009 (ACT NO. 11 OF 2009)

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT NO. 12 OF 2013.

THE SPEAKER: Any announcements please?

HON. ANSU JAIA KAIKAI: I thank you Mr Speaker. I thank the Majority Leader for having laid all the Statutory Instruments and Constitutional Instruments on the Table of this House. But I also rise on S. O. 34, to give notice to this House that all the Statutory Instruments and Constitutional Instruments that have been laid on this Table; we on this side of this House will bring up motions for debate on them within 21 days.

THE SPEAKER: Honourable Deputy Minority Leader?

HON. ANSU JAIA KAIKAI: Yes Mr Speaker.

THAT SPEAKER: What you are saying now is not necessary. Just go and file your motion in the Clerk's Office.

HON. ANSU JAIA KAIKAI: I appreciate that Sir.

THE SPEAKER: Thank you very much.

HON. ANSU JAIA KAIKAI: Thank you Mr Speaker

THE SPEAKER: It is my pleasure to inform you that the US Embassy will be hosting two high level visitors at the end of this month. Former Members of Congress Barbara Kennelly and Jim Kolbe have been between forty years of service in the US House of Representatives. We are delighted that they would be joining us in Sierra Leone to meet with a range of Government officials and Civil Society groups. There has already been a meeting two weeks ago with the Deputy Chief of Mission. She was here and we had fruitful discussions. Mr Clerk?

MR IBRAHIM S. SESAY (*Clerk of Parliament*): Yes Mr Speaker.

THE SPEAKER: Are you reading from that document in front of you?

MR IBRAHIM S. SESAY: Yes Mr Speaker.

THE SPEAKER: Continue reading from that document.

MR IBRAHIM S. SESAY: Ms Kennelly, a Democrat and Mr Kolbe, a Republican will be holding a number of events, focusing on 'Conscientious Building and Cooperative Governance in the context of Multi-party Democracy. To this end, the US Embassy seeks collaboration with your office in arranging programming through which our visitors can meet with representatives of Sierra Leone's Legislature. We would like these Sessions to meet the needs and desires of Parliament and welcome any input that they may have. The deputy, Kaleen Gibbon has already met the leadership and Monday has already been selected for this meeting with this team that will be coming from the United States of America.

THE SPEAKER: What time on Monday?

MR IBRAHIM S. SESAY: At 10:00 a.m.

THE SPEAKER: Which venue Mr Clerk?

MR IBRAHIM S. SESAY: In Parliament Sir

THE SPEAKER: Let us be specific so that Honourable Members will have no excuse if they fail to attend.

MR IBRAHIM S. SESAY: This will take place on Monday at 10:00 a.m. in Committee Room 1.

THE SPEAKER: Honourable Members, please be here on Monday. You will be entertained.

HON. S. B. B. DUMBUYA: Mr Speaker, I just want to say a word or two relating to what the Clerk of Parliament has just announced in respect of the meeting with the Congress Men from the United States. The Deputy Ambassador in the Embassy of the United States of America in Sierra Leone has already met with the leadership of Parliament. She did meet with me, the Minority Leader and few other officials that constitute the Leadership of Parliament with regards to this meeting. The meeting has therefore been slated for Monday, the 30th September, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. We will be with them for about two to three hours after which we will have lunch and then disperse.

Secondly Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I will like to meet the following Chairpersons of the following Committees immediately after adjournment in my office: Agriculture, Lands, Tourism, Energy, Water Resources and Labour. I will also want to see the Honourable Emma Kowa and Honourable Abi Kaloko in my office immediately after these sittings. Thank you.

THE SPEAKER: Honourable Members, let me say that I am slightly disappointed at today's attendance. I want Honourable Members occupying the front row on the Minority Party's side to look at the number of empty seats behind them. Our proceedings are being televised. The public is watching what we are doing here, including our attendance. We must endeavour to attend parliamentary sittings and on time.

ADJOURNMENT

*(The House rose at 10.10 a.m. and was adjourned until Thursday, 3rd
October, 2013, at 10.00 a.m.)*