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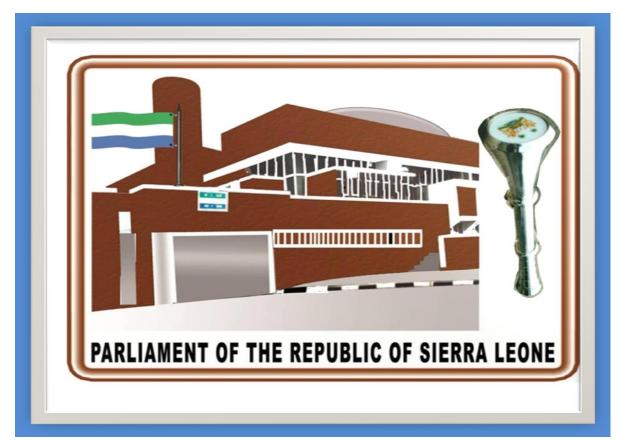
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Second Meeting of the Second Session of the Fourth Parliament Of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone.

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PROPOSER: HON. IBRAHIM R. BUNDU

SECONDER: HON. CLAUDE D. M. KAMANDA

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT THE FIRST REPORT OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENT AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE BE ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE AND THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN BE APPROVED

#### **IV. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES**



THE CHAMBER OF PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE

#### **Official Hansard Report of the Proceedings of the House**

#### SECOND SESSION-SECOND MEETING OF THE FOURTH PARLIAMENT OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC

Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2014.

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. Sheku Badara B. Dumbuya, in the Chair)

The House was called to Order

## II. CORRECTION OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS FOR THE SITTING HELD ON TUESDAY, 4TH FEBRUARY, 2014

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

**THE SPEAKER:** Honourable Members, we go through the record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2014. Page 1? Page 2? Page 3?

**HON. FREDERICK SOURIE:** Mr Speaker, Page 3, No. 90, Honourable Sourie Frederick S. Rtd Captain. If you must refer to the Rtd Captain, it has to be with the surname. It should be Hon. Cpt. Rtd Sourie Frederick Sandy. The same goes for the Brigadier. It goes with the surname. Therefore, it is Honourable Capt. Rtd Sourie Frederick Sandy. Thank you.

THE SPEAKER: Mr Clerk, please take note of that. Page 3? Page 4?

**HON. HELEN KUYEMBEH:** Mr Speaker, I was absent with excuse but my name is recorded under absentees without excuse. I will like that to be corrected.

**THE SPEAKER:** Honourable Members, let us look at Page 4. Honourable Patricia Brown had my permission. She was absent with excuse. Page 5? Page 6? Page 7? There being no further amendment, can somebody move for the adoption of the record of Votes and Proceedings for the sitting held on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2014?

HON. DAVID JOHNSON: Mr Speaker, I so move.

THE SPEAKER: Any seconder?

HON. ALIE KALOKOH: I so second Mr Speaker.

**THE SPEAKER:** Any counter motion?

(Question proposed, Put and Agreed to)

(Record of Votes and Proceedings for the sitting held on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 was unanimously adopted as amended)

# III. MOTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

PROPOSER: HON. IBRAHIM R. BUNDU SECONDER: HON. CLAUDE D. M. KAMANDA BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT THE FIRST REPORT OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE BE ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE AND THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED BE APPROVED.

**HON. IBRAHIM R. BUNDU** *(Majority Leader of the House and Leader of Government Business):* Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I present to you the Second Session of the Fourth Parliament of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone; First Report of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service on parliamentary vetting of presidential nominations.

#### 1. Introduction

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service met on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 and interviewed five Presidential nominees for appointment as:

- i. Ambassadors
- ii. Members, Boards of Directors of State Institutions
  - 2. Procedure

The Committee adhered strictly to its established procedure. Probing questions put to the nominees were centered on their educational background, track records in pertinent work situations, declared assets, tax obligations and their visions for a successful tenure of office.

# *3. Second Sitting of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service held on Tuesday, 4th February, 2014*

The following nominees were interviewed:

## *i. <u>Ambassador Soulay B. Daramy, Proposed High Commissioner to The</u> <u>Gambia</u>*

Ambassador Soulay Daramy is a career diplomat of eminence. Entering the Sierra Leone Civil Service as an Administrative Officer in 1975, his enthusiasm, efficiency and commitment to work led to his rapid ascendance in the Foreign Service and his subsequent appointment as Chief Protocol Officer to two Heads of State. Ambassador Soulay Daramy has a wealth of experience in diplomatic work and international relations. He has proven organisational management and development skills in designing and formulating bilateral and multilateral cooperation documents, opening of new embassies abroad and training of Foreign Service personnel. Members of the Committee, across party lines, expressed fine sentiments and commendations for Ambassador Daramy's diplomacy and professional efficiency in the Foreign Service.

Reacting to the Committee's inquiries, Ambassador Daramy deposed that he was well aware of the sensitive position of the Gambia in diplomatic circles. Ambassador Daramy assured the Committee that it was probably because of that sensitivity that he was particularly assigned to the Gambia. "*Because of my experience in diplomacy for the past 25 years and my interaction with particularly certain well-placed people in the Gambia, I believe I will be able to maintain the good relationship that has always existed between our two sister states for the mutual benefit of our people; God being my helper."* 

## *ii. <u>Mr Brima Acha Kamara, Proposed Ambassador, Extraordinary and</u> <u>Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Liberia</u>*

Mr Acha Kamara is a retired Senior Police Officer. He was enlisted into the Sierra Leone Police Force as a Cadet Assistant Superintendent of Police. He rose through the ranks and retired as Inspector-General and Head of the Sierra Leone Police in 2010.

Responding to probing questions, Mr Kamara prided himself to have had a very successful tenure as Inspector-General of Police. Giving an instance of his success, he said: "*after the departure of the expatriate Inspector- General, Keith Biddle, there were a lot of criminal activities in the country. There were a lot of ex-combatants with weapons. The situation was very chaotic".* Mr Kamara recalled that he held a press conference immediately after his approval by Parliament, where he promised to bring the situation under control. "*I gave myself a hundred days action plan and within those one hundred days, no gun shots were heard in Freetown.*"

Questioned on what he would be taking to Liberia, Mr Kamara assured the Committee that he would be going with the enthusiasm to further strengthen and maintain the good relationship that already exists between the two neighbouring States. Mr Kamara further promised to maintain an open door policy to the Sierra Leonean community in Liberia and to work in their best interest to ensure that they live amicably in Liberia. "Above all," he said, "I am appointed to Liberia with accreditation to the Ivory Coast. With my security background, I will closely monitor the security situation in those two sister states."

## *iii. <u>Alhaji Mohamed Sillah Kargbo, Proposed Ambassador Extraordinary and</u> <u>Plenipotentiary to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia</u>*

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, Mr Kargbo has, since the 1980s to date, been a very active player in the ruling party and has held very important positions in the party hierarchy. His recent positions included: 2007 – 2013, Special Assistant to the President

on Political matters, Office of the President, State House; 2009 – 2013, National Organising Secretary (APC); and 2010 – 2013, Coordinator, Sierra Leone Hajj Mission.

Answering to probing questions, Mr Kargbo adjudged himself to be suitably qualified to undertake the challenging demands of his new job. He assured the Committee that he would draw on his wealth of experience in public works, party and religious organisations and to work to the best of his ability for the realisation of His Excellency, the President's 'Agenda for prosperity.'

Concluding, Mr Kargbo said: "I will be going to Saudi Arabia as Sierra Leone's Ambassador, to represent the Government and people of Sierra Leone. I will endeavour to maintain the existing good relationship between Sierra Leone and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the mutual benefit of our people. I shall endeavour to protect all Sierra Leoneans out there."

Mr Speaker, I have not seen Dr Lansana Nyalley. He is the proposed Member of the Council, Statistics Sierra Leone.

**THE SPEAKER:** If there was no communication to the effect, let us go to the next item.

#### HON. IBRAHIM R. BUNDU: We go to item v.

#### v. <u>Mr Francis K. Gbondo- Proposed Member, National Minerals Agency</u>

Mr Gbondo hails from the diamondiferous Kono District, where he acquired a wealth of experience working with the National Diamond Mining Company (NDMC). Mr Gbondo has also amassed a wealth of board experience serving as Board Member of various institutions in the country.

Answering to inquiring questions, Mr Gbondo said that the National Minerals Agency is responsible for overseeing all mining companies in the country. He promised to ensure, with the cooperation of other Members, that Sierra Leone and its people benefit from their God-given mineral endowment.

5. Recommendations

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

- i. Mr Soulay B. Daramy, High Commissioner to The Gambia;
- ii. Mr Brima Acha Kamara, Ambassador, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Liberia;
- iii. Alhaji Mohamed Sillah Kargbo, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; and
- v. Mr Francis Kai- Andrew Gbondo, Member, National Minerals Agency.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, the First Report portrays the unanimous decision of the Committee. I therefore move that the First 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, but with the exception of Dr Lansana Nyalley, proposed Member of Council Statistics Sierra Leone. This report is presented by Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu, Chairman.

**THE SPEAKER:** So in that case, I advise that you read the last paragraph again making the exception prominent.

**HON. IBRAHIM R. BUNDU:** Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, the First Report portrays the unanimous decision of the Committee. I therefore move that the First Report of the Second Session of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service, with the exception of item iv, Dr Lansana Nyalley, proposed Member of Council Statistics Sierra Leone be adopted by the House and that the recommendations contained therein be approved.

**HON. CLAUDE D. M. KAMANDA:** Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I second the motion moved by the Majority Leader and Leader of Government Business.

#### (Question Proposed)

HON. CLAUDE D. M. KAMANDA *(Chief Whip):* Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, perm it me to paraphrase the words of His Excellency the

President, Dr Ernest Bai Koroma in the Chamber, on the 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2013. He said 'Sierra Leone is on the move, but yet, we face challenges and let no man stand on our way.'

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, today is another historic day in which we have three proposed ambassadors and one Council member for National Mineral Agency. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, for the proposed Ambassadors, these are three household names in the Republic of Sierra Leone. Therefore, I don't have to waste time in talking about them. But I want to say that failure is not an option in Sierra Leone, especially when this country is on the move. As you are going out there, we want all the goodies and we want the best practices to be imported to Sierra Leone. This is because we are on the move. We are facing challenges every day. And we want to get over these challenges. We want to take Sierra Leone to another level. Since you are the Ambassadors out there, make sure you make many friends that will benefit the people of this country.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, permit me to single out Alhaji M. S. Kargbo, a figure in the All Peoples Congress Party. Mr Speaker, 'bathE' is the most loved one and the favourite person in the APC Party *(Applause)*.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, if we are in governance today, and if we are seated in this House today, we must say thanks to Alhaji M. S. Kargbo. He went through the length and breadth of this country to ensure that we get back to governance. We can't pay him for what he has done. If he is nominated by the President of this country to serve in that capacity is because of his capability to manage such position. I want Alhaji M. S. Kargbo to go out there and prove himself well. We want you to make Sierra Leone proud.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I want to talk about Ambassador Soulay Daramy. Indeed, Ambassador Soulay Daramy has served two heads of State. The reason is because of his hard work and diligence. He is determined to serve this country. He headed the Foreign Mission in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. This is not a strange position for him. However, I want to reiterate here that Sierra Leone is on the move; and we are determined to get rid of the numerous challenges we are facing as a nation. We want you to continue to make your contribution towards the development of this country.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, with these words, I ask that this Honourable House ratify the recommendations of the Appointments Committee.

**HON. J. B. MANSARAY:** I thank you very much Mr Speaker. As the Chief Whip has said, I also want to say here that nobody should disturb the progress of this nation. I also want to say that Sierra Leone cannot afford to fail.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I want to talk about two people this morning. First, I want to talk about Ambassador Soulay Daramy. He has served in the diplomatic circle for twenty-five (25) years. He started with Sierra Leone People's Party (SLPP).

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, we have the Inspector General of Police who said during the SLPP that within 100 days and with the support of Dr Alhaji Ahmad Tejan Kabba, the former President of this nation, nobody heard a gunshots in Sierra Leone. I want to tell this Honourable House that what he said came to pass. It happened because the political will was there. It also happened because every Sierra Leonean wanted to support the governance of the State for the good of everybody. Today, we are saying that nobody should stand in our way.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, we have hardworking ambassadors this morning, especially Ambassador M. S. Kargbo. He was one of those who fought very hard for the All People's Congress to continue the governance of this country. Today, everybody is applauding him for what he has done. I want to caution him that he is not going to Saudi Arabia to represent the APC but the people of Sierra Leone. You were in charge of taking our brothers and sisters to Mecca; and you have been doing well. I believe that as a true Muslim, you will represent everybody out there. When you appeared before this Honourable House this morning, somebody said 'Allahuakbarr.' This means God is great and God is with you in everything. And if God is with you in everything,

please take Sierra Leone to Saudi Arabia. You should receive every Sierra Leonean with open heart. Do not discriminate anybody and make sure you treat all Pilgrims fairly.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, for Ambassador Soulay Daramy, he has always proven himself. Because of his decency and hard work, he served two Heads of State. I also want him to take Sierra Leone to The Gambia and receive every Sierra Leoneans without discrimination. We have a sister in Liberia. She was praised by the Minority Whip because of the hospitality she gave Sierra Leoneans.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I want to talk briefly about Mr Acha Kamara. Please sir, irrespective of your political affiliation make sure when you are in Liberia, you treat every Sierra Leonean fairly. You should think of Sierra Leone as one country. Make sure you do better than the former Ambassador we had in Liberia. We have always loved you because you ensured the security of this nation. We want you to go and secure the borders of Sierra Leone. Make sure that the relationship between Sierra Leone and Liberia continues to be cordial.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, the President has said that nobody should stand in our way. I want the nominees to take these positions in good faith. I will crave the indulgence of this Parliament to approve the nominees before us this morning. Thank you Mr Speaker.

**HON. AUGUSTINE B. TORTO:** Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, let me take this opportunity to extend my gratitude to His Excellency, the President for making a brilliant nomination to Parliament. I am going to start with Mr Brima Acha Kamara, proposed Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia. He is a retired police officer. When I left the SLPP for APC in 2007, he had to dispatch police officer to protect my life. Mr Speaker, I will move very briefly to the APC chairperson in Kono district, Francis K. Gbondo. When I was contesting for SLPP parliamentary seat 2002, in Kono District, he was also campaigning for APC. But despite our political differences, there was still an atmosphere of cordiality and respect between both of us. He did not care whether you are APC or SLPP. In 2012, when they had wanted to take symbol away from me, he stood by me. He said that it will be an injustice for the APC symbol to be taken away

from me because he fought for the APC to gain popularity in the district. These are some of the people we have to be very grateful to.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, unlike the other side of the '*ayes'*, no matter what you do for the party, when the time for elections comes, they will take the party symbol away from you *(Undertone)*. With these few words, I want to crave the indulgence of this Honourable House to approve the nominees before us this morning. Thank you Mr Speaker.

**HON. BENNEH BANGURA:** Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, let me start by thanking His Excellency, the President for presenting to this noble House this beautiful team. Mr Speaker, after a scientific random sampling, this beautiful team was selective of the White House in America. I have no doubt in my mind that these nominees will live up to the expectations of the people. I want to caution the nominees that they are not serving APC but the people of Sierra Leone. We have approved many other Ambassadors in this House, but when they go to these countries, they forget that they were approved by this House. I want to crave the indulgence of the Ambassadors to be very careful of what they are going to do when they get to these countries.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, Alhaji M. S. Kargbo is a young man whom I have great respect for. Characteristics such as honesty, sobriety and integrity are all embedded in him. He needs to be commended for that.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I will talk briefly about Mr Acha Kamara. When I came from the U.S, Mr Acha Kamara was the then Inspector-General of police in this country and he had been one of my admirers.

**THE SPEAKER:** Honourable Benneh Bangura, I want to agree with Honourable Veronica Sesay that if you keep on talking about America, then, you should go back. You are now in Sierra Leone and you are a Sierra Leonean. Please be Sierra Leonean.

**HON. BENNEH BANGURA:** Thank you Mr Speaker. But I want to assure you that I am here to stay. As I was saying, when I came to this country, Mr Acha Kamara was

the Inspector-General of police and he did everything possible to ensure peace in this country. I want to thank him very much for that.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, we are going to miss Mr Soulay Daramy. It will be very difficult to find somebody in his place to work with the President, Dr Ernest Bai Koroma. The role he played was very remarkable. So, on behalf of this noble House, we want to commend you for a job well done. With these few words Mr Speaker, I want to crave the indulgence of this Honourable House to swiftly ratify the nominees before us this morning. I thank you.

**HON. ANSUMANA J. KAIKAI** *(Deputy Minority Leader of the House):* Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I am tempted to ask this House to do what I am about to do. That is I want to ask this Honourable House to ratify the recommendations of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service. This is because all of them are effective, hardworking, efficient and patriotic Sierra Leoneans. I have seen them at work in this country. Mr Soulay Daramy was a diplomat when both of us were roommates at the St Paul Secondary School. I later gained admission at the Premier Roman Catholic Secondary School.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, Mr Soulay Daramy, as most speakers have observed, served two Presidents in this country. I want to say that this is not his first time of serving as Ambassador of this country. He was in the Islamic Republic of Iran as an Ambassador. And when we went to Iran, the Majority Leader of this House and I heard the Iranians talking good about him. I was very proud of him. Good things were said about Mr Soulay Daramy.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I am sure, having efficiently served two Presidents in this country, (Mr Soulay Daramy, a well-known personality by the President of the Gambia and among the Commonwealth Heads of State), I am sure Mr Soulay Daramy is going to add more accolades to this country. He is going to perform effectively and efficiently. And I am sure up to 1888, The Gambia and Sierra Leone served the same administration because Freetown was their Capital City. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I want to talk about Alhaji Kargbo. I want to tell him that when he arrives in Saudi Arabia, he should continue the works he has been doing. We are about to set up a relationship with the National Assembly of Saudi Arabia. We want you to go and expedite that relationship. Somehow, your predecessor was here with us.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, let me also talk about the former Inspector General of Police, Mr Brima Acha Kamara. I am pleased to inform this House that when he was sent here by the former President, Dr Alhaji Tejan Kabba to present his credentials for approval by the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service, he went around the perimeters of this House and he gave us security advice. And it was after his approval that the security guards were sent to this Parliament to police this House. He meant well for the security of Honourable Members and the property of Parliament. I want to thank him for that venture. Mr Speaker, Mr Brima Acha Kamara still has an unfinished obligation for this country. He has to fulfill that obligation as he has promised. Please, when you get to Liberia, I want to assure you that we will give you the support you will need. Please note that Sierra Leone and Liberia have similarities in terms of culture and history. Both countries have experience civil wars. In case there are security lapses in this country, don't forget to give your advice.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I have worked with Mr Gbondo in 1996 and I want us to continue working together. We will be watching you carefully. We want you to be careful in dealing with your colleagues. On that note, Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I crave the indulgence of this Honourable House to ratify the nominees before us. I thank you.

**THE SPEAKER:** Honourable Komba E. S. Boya, I have said and I still stand by it that we have to respect seniority. But where a woman has not spoken and where there is intention to speak, it is but fair that consideration be given to gender parity.

**HON. ROSALINE J. SMITH:** Thank you very much Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, from the sentiments expressed by the previous speakers, it

seems that the nominees presented to us this morning have been good Sierra Leoneans. They have distinguished themselves in the public service; and that is why we want to thank the President for appointing them.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, much has been said about Alhaji M. S. Kargbo. When you hear the name Alhaji M. S. Kargbo, it is synonymous to organiser. Alhaji M. S. Kargbo has made the hajj process in this country very simple for the Muslims. Today, our Muslim brothers and sisters can perform hajj without much trouble. We want to thank him for his commitment and diligence in serving this nation, especially the Muslim community. We also want to thank him for his organising ability for the APC party. I am sure he is going to do more for our Muslim brothers and sisters who will be going there to perform their hajj. We hope that he will lobby for more scholarships for our children, brothers and sisters.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I will like to talk about Ambassador Soulay Daramy. He is a very hardworking. Because of his experience, he will be missed in the position he has served. But I am sure the person who will take after you will do likewise or better. What I want to say is that because of your effectiveness, hard work and the efforts you have put in this country, please work with the Gambian government. Try very hard to know their policies and the strategies they use in improving the tourism sector in the Gambia. We want to know why their Ministry of Tourism is doing well than ours. We want you to import into this country some of their strategies. The Gambia does not have minerals like Sierra Leone. In Sierra Leone, we have beautiful beaches. Despite our hospitality, yet, the tourists do not come to this country as they used to do. Please sir, when you go to The Gambia, we want you to help revive our Tourism Ministry. Today, the Ministry of Tourism is considered one of the least developed Ministries in this country. But I am sure, with your hard work, dedication and commitment, the 'Agenda for Prosperity' will be realised in the Ministry of Tourism and Culture.

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Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, what Mr Brima Acha Kamara has done for Sierra Leone can never be forgotten. He helped sustain the peace in this country and we do hope that he will use the experience and expertise he has mustered in the police force to strengthen the security post on our borders. We want to thank His Excellency for presenting these nominees to us for approval. Like I have said earlier, these are people who have served in the Public Service and I am sure they will not let down His Excellency and this Honourable House. They will prove themselves as they had been doing in the past.

On that note Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I ask that we ratify these nominees.

**HON. KOMBA E. S. BOYA:** Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I will not talk much because I know most of these nominees. I have known Mr Kargbo for quite a while. Without wasting time, I think the message for all the nominees from Members of Parliament is clear. But I want to reiterate here that you are not going out there to represent a political party but the interest of the people of Sierra Leone. I think that is the message I want to give you. Go out there and represent the people of Sierra Leone. Leone.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, from experience, Embassies are closed when it is time for campaign. Everybody comes here to ensure that there is no regime change. We do not want that to happen. Fortunately, I am a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee. We want you to stay where you are until you are recalled. Do not buy tshirts for us or bring any contributions for us. You have to stay there and represent us so that regime change will not affect you as long as you become professionals in the diplomatic circle.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I want to briefly talk about Mr Gbondo. This is a man who has succeeded in doing great work in Kono District. He ensured an amicable working relationship with all political parties in his capacity as the District Secretary of the All Peoples Congress, including my brother on the other side. I know that my brother, Honourable Torto is on loan. But I want to assure this House that we will bring him back to the SLPP. As I said Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I will use this opportunity to send a message to the nominee from Kono, Mr Francis Gbondo. Kono is still facing some challenges. We have to work together as Kono people. Whatever it takes in your own capacity to help the Kono people, please do that with all seriousness. I want to inform you that we have been on the 'Agenda for Change,' but the change has not affected the lives of the Kono people. Today, we are talking about the 'Agenda for Prosperity.' Mr Speaker, if we cannot change our attitudes for the better, how can we prosper? We should be thinking of going back to Kono and find solutions to our problems. But if we do not work together as Kono people, we will even be a menace to governance of this country. Therefore, I want Mr Gbondo to join all well-meaning Kono people to ensure that we do things together.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, on that note, I want to wish all these nominees a pleasant working environment. I thank you Mr Speaker.

**HON. DR BERNADETTE LAHAI** *(Minority Leader of the House):* Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, except for Mr Francis Kai Andrew Gbondo, whose nomination has been put to hold, the other nominees will be working outside Sierra Leone for most of the time. That is they are going on diplomatic missions and in very important countries. I know the nominees before us at differing degrees. Ambassador Soulay Daramy, we come from the same chiefdom and we grew up in Tongo Field. I was very close to his sister, Ina Torma Daramy. But I also knew him when I came to Fourah Bay College, where he lectured from 1979-1983. Aside, when I was doing my PhD in the United Kingdom, he was also there in the High Commission. Later, he returned home and has worked in different capacities. But he has been with the presidency as Chief of Protocol for the last few years. Today, he has been nominated as Ambassador and he is before us again to be ratified by this Honourable House.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, he has served two Presidents of this nation. This means that he is a professional in his own field. And I want to say that if you take your

work not from the political point of view, but from a professional point of view, you will not be in a state of sedentary because you build confidence and that is what had happened over these years. I am not talking about him as my brother; I am talking about him as a professional. He has carried himself well and he has done well in the work of diplomacy. Gambia is an important and strategic country for Sierra Leone and it is the seat of the African Union Court of Justice, though the court is not fully operational. This is why our Heads of States or our citizens are always tried in the Haig. This is something we have discussed in the African Union meetings. If our people cannot be tried in the Haig, then give us an alternative where Africans can be tried on their own soil and by their own African Professionals. As High Commissioner, you will be attending most of the meetings of the African Union because that is the seat of the Africa Court of Justice. We also expect that with your long service in diplomacy, you will come to share your experiences in terms of how this court should be functional and how it should be managed.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I know Mr Brima Acha Kamara when I came into active politics and he was my next door neighbour at Wallace Johnson Street. There are times when we have had to crisscross politically, especially when there were disturbances in the past. What I can say is that as I said the last time, he is going to Liberia and he is taking over from a very vibrant woman, Rev. Marie Barnett, who has kept an open door policy in Liberia. She did not want to know who you are, once she knows that you are in Liberia, you are her guest until you leave. She is very amicable and she worked very well with the Heads of States, especially the present head of State. I have no doubt that you will also continue her good works. During your interview, I said that it is going to be a little bit of a challenge, because she has worked very well in that country.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I want to talk about Alhaji Mohamed Sillah Kargbo. If you turn around the gallery and see what is happening there, you will know that he is a man of the people. In our political lives, we have met on several occasions when he was the National Organising Secretary for the APC. The last time we met was in Tongo Field, when there was a bye-election for the Local Government. Both of us moved from one station to another, educating the electorate. We were telling people that politics is not war, but a means through which people exercise their franchise. We had jokes and we were very friendly. I think that is what should be happening in the political arena and even beyond. I used to tell him to come to the SLPP and he always promised to defect. So this is the way we want politics to be practiced in this country. Politics is not about creating enmity and it is not about scolding each other. We are all Sierra Leoneans and Sierra Leone is the only country we have. We may disagree politically, but our disagreement will not take Sierra Leone from us.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I am sure he has a very good disposition. His appointment to this position shows that he is a man of respect. I have no doubt that when he gets to Saudi Arabia, he is going to strengthen the already existing relationship between Sierra Leone and Saudi Arabia. I have no reason why he will not treat all the pilgrims that will go there equally. He has demonstrated that he cuts across politics, age, gender, education etc. So, I have no doubt that he will bridge the gap and continue to put Sierra Lone on the map in Saudi Arabia.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, Mr Gbondo is going to the National Mineral Agency and this is a very important Agency in this country. We are talking about judicious use of our natural resources. In fact, it is one of the pillars of the 'Agenda for Prosperity.' You should focus on how we can effectively manage our natural resources for the benefit of us all and for our children when they shall have taken over from us. He is going to a very important sector of this country. The Agency is the professional wing of the Ministry of Mineral Resources. There are a lot of challenges he will face; but transparency and accountability are very important. The President has just launched the EITI Report and I hope that the Report is going to be accepted and Sierra Leone is going to be accepted again into the EITI. I hope that as a teacher and as a disciplinarian, he will take those virtues with him to the National Mineral Agency. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, all the nominees are qualified for the positions they have been nominated for. We hope that they will do their work diligently. In everything that they do, they should put Sierra Leone first. I thank you and I want to congratulate them in advance after they would have been approved by this House *(Applause)*.

**HON. IBRAHIM R. BUNDU:** Thank you very much Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, this House has approved many Ambassadors, Ministers, Heads of Parastatals, and Members of Board of Directors. You will agree with me that some of them have lived up to their promises, while others have not. Some have brought shame to this country. But I believe that these nominees will not be like those who have brought shame not only to the President of this country, but also the Members of Parliament. I believe these nominees will not fail us because failure is not an option in the 'Agenda for Prosperity.'

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, as Ambassadors, you are expected to:

- portray the good image of Sierra Leone in the countries you are going to serve. Any country without a good image, that country is doomed to fail and will never realise prosperity;
- ii. seek the welfare of Sierra Leoneans, especially in places like Liberia and the Gambia. All of us know that before the war, Sierra Leone and the Gambia had identical history. We have whole ethnic group in Sierra Leone called the Fullahs. If you go to Gambia, you will find them there. They also have the Creoles in Gambia. Therefore, as Ambassadors you have to seek the interest of Sierra Leoneans in the countries you are going to serve. Make sure that you strengthen the good relationships that have existed and even do more to improve those relationships. During the war, a lot of Liberians came to Sierra Leone and a lot of Sierra Leoneans went to Liberia; and
- iii. accord hospitality to government officials, particularly where you have Members of Parliament. For those of us who have been representing this country in other jurisdictions, it will interest you to know that some Ambassadors discriminate between Ministers and Members of Parliament. Let me give you an example, we

were on our way to Brussels at a particular time and it happened that we have to transit at Italy for approximately four hours. The Ambassador was duly informed before we left and when we got there at the airport, one of the officials told him that Honourable Members from Sierra Leone have arrived at the airport. He was told to come and see us. It would have been better for that Ambassador to see us for few minutes. S. O. 2 Mr Speaker, He said: "na Ol tEm fO go tek MEmbas Of PalimEnt na iyapOt?"

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I will not call the name of the Ambassador but all of us know the name of the Ambassador. I hope the nominees we are about to ratify today will not do the same to any Member of Parliament. I want to tell the nominees that Parliament denies you approval today, you will not be what you are expecting to be. You will not be Ambassadors at all *(Applause)*. I believe this Parliament is not going to say no to your approvals. Members of Parliament have expressed beautiful sentiments about you. I want you to know that there are over three million people in this country who are equally qualified to hold these positions. If you do what that Ambassador did to us, I want to tell you that this Parliament is going to oversee you in the following:

- we are going to judge you by the number of good and legal investment and investors that you are going to bring to this country;
- we are also going to judge you by your bargaining power to bring donor funds to this country; and
- we are going to judge you by how you promote good bilateral relations between the place of your assignment and Sierra Leone.

Sierra Leoneans are watching you. Thank you very much.

#### (Question Proposed, Put and Agreed to)

(Motion of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service has been ratified with the exception of Dr Lansana Nyalley) **THE SPEAKER:** Well, it is now for me to congratulate you on behalf of Parliament. I hope you took note of what the Majority Leader said. The whole world is watching you, including Sierra Leoneans. I also want to tell you that Parliamentarians in particular are watching you through our Oversight Committees. Even if you are living beyond the Far East, you are going to be monitored and supervised by the Honourable Members of this Parliament. Also, take note of the contribution by a Member of the opposition, Honourable J. B. Mansaray. His contribution struck me as a true patriot. He said that in our match towards the 'Agenda for Prosperity,' we should not allow anybody to stand in our way, not even from the Opposition bench. But what he meant was that if the 'Agenda for Prosperity' should become a success, everybody appointed to serve in whatever position should deliver. That is precisely what he meant. Once again, I want to take this opportunity of congratulating you on your approval by Parliament. Thank you very much and good bye.

#### IV. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SESSIONAL SELECT COMMITTEES

**THE SPEAKER:** Honourable Members, please listen intently to these announcements.

**HON. CLAUDE D. M. KAMANDA:** Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, in the fulfillment of Section 93(1&2) and Section 4 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, Act No.6 of 1991, I read the names of the Second Session of the Fourth Parliament of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone.

#### **COMMITTEE ON SELECTION**

- 1. Hon. Speaker Chairman
- 2. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu Deputy Chairman
- 3. Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah
- 4. Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai
- 5. Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah

| 8. Hon. Sidi Mohamed Tunis             |                   |  |  |  |
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| 9. Hon. P.C. Alhaji Bai Shebora Yek II |                   |  |  |  |
| STANDING ORDER COMMITTEE               |                   |  |  |  |
| 1. Hon. Speaker                        | - Chairman        |  |  |  |
| 2. Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah               | - Deputy Chairman |  |  |  |
| 3. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu               |                   |  |  |  |
| 4. Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah             |                   |  |  |  |
| 5. Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai           |                   |  |  |  |
| 6. Hon. Ansumana Jaia Kaikai           |                   |  |  |  |
| 7. Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda            |                   |  |  |  |
| 8. Hon. Sidi Mohamed Tunis             |                   |  |  |  |
| PUBLIC PETITION COMMITTEE              |                   |  |  |  |
| 1. Hon. Speaker                        | - Chairman        |  |  |  |
| 2. Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai           | - Deputy Chairman |  |  |  |
| 3. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu               |                   |  |  |  |
| 4. Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah             |                   |  |  |  |

6. Hon. Ansumana Jaia Kaikai

7. Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda

- 5. Hon. Ajibola E Manly-Spain
- 6. Hon. Ansumana Jaia Kaikai

#### **HOUSE COMMITTEE**

- 1. Hon. Speaker - Chairman
- 2. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu - Deputy Chairman
- 3. Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai

- 4. Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah
- 5. Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda
- 6. Hon. Sidi M. Tunis
- 7. Hon. P.C. Alhaji Bai Shebora Sellu Lugbu II

#### **BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

- 1. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu Chairman
- 2. Hon. Dr. Bernadette Lahai Deputy Chairman
- 3. Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah
- 4. Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda
- 5. Hon. Sidi M. Tunis
- 6. Hon. P.C. Mohamed Sama Kailondo Banya IV

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- 1. Hon. Ibrahim R. Bundu Chairman
- 2. Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah Deputy Chairman
- 3. Hon. Dr Bernadette Lahai
- 4 Hon. Ansumana Jaia Kaikai
- 5. Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah
- 6. Hon. Augustine Bockarie Torto
- 7. Hon. Mabinty Funna
- 8. Hon. Bliss Osho-Williams
- 9. Hon. Claude D.M. Kamanda
- 10. Hon. Benneh Bangura
- 11. Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay
- 12. Hon. Amadu Mohamed Kanu

- 13. Hon. Komba Eric Koedoyoma
- 14. Hon. Sidi Mohamed Tunis
- 15. Hon. Brima Conteh
- 16. Hon. P.C. Brima Victor Sidi Kebbie

#### **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE**

- 1. Hon. Chernor R.M. Bah
- Chairman

#### 2. Hon. Komba E. Koedoyoma

- 3. Hon. Alhassan Jero Kamara
- 4. Hon. Hassan B. Sheriff
- 5. Hon. Alpha B. Lewally
- 6. Hon. Lahai Marah
- 7. Hon. Sulaiman Muluku Sisay
- 8. Hon. Dr Foday I. Suma
- 9. Hon. Francis Amara Konuwa
- 10. Hon. Helen Kuyembeh
- 11. Hon. P.C. Alhaji Bai Shebora Yek II

#### FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- 1. Hon. Sheriff B Hassan Chairman
- 2. Hon. Dr Foday I. Suma

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon Alusine Marah
- 4. Hon. Bliss Osho-Williams
- 5. Hon Patricia Brown
- 6. Hon Ibrahim Kamara
- 7. Hon. Augustine Bockarie Torto

- Deputy Chairman

**Deputy Chairman** 

- 8. Hon. Alhaji Siray Dumbuya
- 9. Hon. Edward Stile Jengo
- 10. Hon. Ansumana Jaia Kaikai
- 11. Hon. Brima Conteh
- 12. Hon. Jusufu Barry Mansaray
- 13. Hon. Sidi Mohamed Tunis
- 14. Hon. Helen Kuyembeh
- 15. Hon. PC Mohamed Sama Kailondo Banya IV

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**1. Hon Claude D M Kamanda** 

Chairman

**Deputy Chairman** 

#### 2. Hon Alhassan Kamara

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon Aaron Aruna Koroma
- 4. Hon Benneh Bangura
- 5. Hon Songowa Bundu
- 6. Hon Mohamed Kamara
- 7. Hon Amadu Fofanah
- 8. Hon Sallieu Osman Sesay
- 9. Hon Abu Bakarr Koroma
- 10. Hon. Ansumana Jaia Kaikai
- 11. Hon Komba E S Boyah
- 12. Hon. Edward Stile Jengo
- 13. Hon. Abu Jajua
- 14. Hon. Komba Eric Koedoyoma
- 15. Hon. Francis Amara Kaisamba
- 16. Hon PC Mansa Paki Kabombor II

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- 5. Hon. Bockarie Nomolie Salamy
- 6. Hon. Alfred B Katta
- 7. Hon. Mabinty Funna
- 8. Hon. Dr Roland Foday Kargbo
- 9. Hon. Lahai Marah

#### **Deputy Chairman**

- 10. Hon. Abi Kalokoh
- 11. Hon. Isata Kabia
- 12. Hon. Frederick Sandy Sourie
- 13. Hon. Alhassan Jero Kamara
- 14. Hon. Kombor Kamara
- 15. Hon. Abu Bakarr Koroma
- 16. Hon. PC Alex M. J. J. Kainpumu

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

#### **1.** Hon Ajibola Manly Spain

#### 2. Hon Daniel B Koroma

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Chernor R. M. Bah
- 4. Hon. Ibrahim Kamara
- 5. Hon. Benneh Bangura
- 6. Hon. Abdul Salaam Kanu
- 7. Hon. Alhaji Seray Dumbuya
- 8. Hon. Alhassan Kamara
- 9. Hon. Sallieu Osman Sesay
- 10. Hon. Bu-Buakei Jabbi
- 11. Hon . Mustapha Braima
- 12. Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas
- 13. Hon. Dixon M Rogers
- 14. Hon. Emma Josephine Kowa
- 15. Hon. Samuel H Braima
- 16. Hon. PC Prince Lappia Boima IV

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- 1. Hon. Augustine Bockarie Torto
- 2. Hon. Patricia Brown

Chairman

#### Deputy Chairman

The rest are members:

Chairman Deputy Chairman

- 3. Hon. Dauda J.B Kallon
- 4. Hon. Mohamed Lamin Mansaray
- 5. Hon. Sallieu Osman Sesay
- 6. Hon. Mabinty Funna
- 7. Hon. Alimamy G Kargbo
- 8. Hon. Ibrahim Pateh Bah
- 9. Hon. Thomas B Turay
- 10. Hon. Moses B Jorkie
- 11. Hon. Habib Munda
- 12. Hon. Mima Yema Mimi Sobba-Stevens
- 13. Hon. Mustapha Braima
- 14. Hon. Andrew Victor Lungay
- 15. Hon. Senesie Fawundu
- 16. Hon PC Alie Balansama Marah III

#### POLITICAL AND PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

#### 1. Hon. Patrick Lahai M Kargbo

#### 2. Hon. Brima Conteh

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Claude D. M. Kamanda
- 4. Hon. Thomas Mark Turay
- 5. Hon. Abdulai Sesay
- 6. Hon. Alhassan Jero Kamara
- 7. Hon. Tamba Entochema Ebba
- 8. Hon. Leonard S. Fofanah
- 9. Hon. Kerifala Sheku Conteh
- 10. Hon. Mabinty H Bangura
- 11. Hon. Ansumana Jaia Kaikai
- 12. Hon. Patrick Foyah
- 13. Hon. Frank Kposowa

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**Deputy Chairman** 

14. Hon. Foday Rado Yokie15. Hon. James ND Alie16. Hon PC Mansa Paki Kabombor II

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#### 1. Hon. PC Bai Kurr Kanagbaro Sanka III

#### 2. Hon. Tamba Entochema Ebba

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Dr Aiah Dabundeh
- 4. Hon. Alieu Badara K Munu
- 5. Hon. Mabinty H Bangura
- 6. Hon. Thomas Mark Turay
- 7. Hon. Taworo Tara-Koroma
- 8. Hon. Ajibola Manly Spain
- 9. Hon. Saidu Baba Kamara
- 10. Hon. Ibrahim Pateh Bah
- 11. Hon. Senesie Fawundu
- 12. Hon. Alfred B Katta
- 13. Hon. Andrew Victor Lungay
- 14. Hon. Alusine Kanneh
- 15. Hon. Moses Alieu Swaray
- 16. Hon. Samuel H Brima

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT & RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

1. Hon. Abu Bakarr Koroma Chairman

#### 2. Hon. Abdul Salaam Kanu

**Deputy Chairman** 

Chairman

**Deputy Chairman** 

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Ajibola Manly Spain
- 4. Hon. Patricia Brown
- 5. Hon. Kemokoh Conteh

- 6. Hon. Ibrahim Kamara
- 7. Hon. Dan Y Sesay
- 8. Hon. Regina Marah
- 9. Hon. Mohamed Lamin Mansaray
- 10. Hon. Lansana Ibrahim Kemokai
- 11. Hon. Mohamed K Thorley
- 12. Hon. Sahr Fatorma
- 13. Hon. Saidu Mansaray
- 14. Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay
- 15. Hon. Thomas Solomon Segepoh
- 16. Hon PC Bai Bureh Sallu Lugbu II

#### MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

#### 1. Hon. Amadu Mohamed Kanu

#### 2. Hon Taworo Tara-Koroma

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Chernor RM Bah
- 4. Hon. Henneh Raddar
- 5. Hon. Alusine Marah
- 6. Hon. Sahr Tengbeh
- 7. Hon. Augustine Bockarie Torto
- 8. Hon. Isata Kabia
- 9. Hon. Alimamy G Kargbo
- 10. Hon. Sidi Mohamed Tunis
- 11. Hon. Francis Amara Konuwa
- 12. Hon. Edward Stile Jengo
- 13. Hon. Komba Eric Koedoyoma
- 14. Hon. Emma Josephine Kowa
- 15. Hon. Brima Conteh
- 16. Hon. PC Sheku A. T. Fasuluku Sonsiama III

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- 3. Hon. Kerifala Sheku Conteh
- 4. Hon. Isata Kabia
- 5. Hon. Nicholas Kamara
- 6. Hon. Sheku Sannoh
- 7. Hon. Abdulai Sesay
- 8. Hon. Dan Y Sesay
- 9. Hon Kusan Sesay
- 10. Hon. Abu Jajua
- 11. Hon. Sualiho Monyaba Koroma
- 12. Hon. Helen Kuyembeh
- 13. Hon. Andrew Victor Lungay
- 14. Hon. Senesie Fawundu
- 15. Hon. James N D Alie
- 16. Hon PC Joseph Alie Kavura Kongomoh II

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#### 2. Hon Henneh Raddar Deputy Chairman

Chairman

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- 3. Hon. Kemokoh Conteh
- 4. Hon. Alhassan Jero Kamara
- 5. Hon. Daniel B Koroma
- 6. Hon. Aaron Aruna Koroma
- 7. Hon. Mabinty Kadija Sillah
- 8. Hon. Sahr Tengbeh

#### Chairman Deputy Chairman

- 9. Hon. Ibrahim Martin Bangura
- 10. Hon. Sahr Fatorma
- 11. Hon. Mohamed K Thorley
- 12. Hon. Dauda D. Fawundu
- 13. Hon. Edward Stile Jengo
- 14. Hon. Foday Rado Yokie
- 15. Hon. Abu Jajua
- 16. Hon. PC Alie Balansama Marah III

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#### 2. Hon. James N D Alie

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- 3. Hon. Mustapha Braima
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- 5. Hon. Thomas Solomon Segepoh
- 6. Hon. Moiwa Momoh
- 7. Hon. Patrick Lahai M Kargbo
- 8. Hon. Sallieu Osman Sesay
- 9. Hon. Ibrahim Nox Sankoh
- 10. Hon. Leonard S Fofanah
- 11. Hon. Songowa Bundu
- 12. Hon Albert Deen Kamara
- 13. Hon Dr. Aiah Dabundeh
- 14. Hon. Lahai Marah
- 15. Hon. Sulaiman Muluku Sisay
- 16. Hon. PC Alex M. J. J. Kainpumu

#### TRADE COMMITTEE

1. Hon. Sidi Mohamed Tunis

# Chairman

Chairman

#### **Deputy Chairman**

#### 2. Hon. Francis Amara Kaisamba

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- 3. Hon. James N. D. Allie
- 4. Hon. Umar Paran Tarawally
- 5. Hon. Dauda D. Fawundu
- 6. Hon. Dr. Bu-Buakei Jabbi
- 7. Hon Kerifala Sheku Conteh
- 8. Hon. Dr Foday I. Suma
- 9. Hon. Alusine Marah
- 10. Hon Frederick Sandy Sourie
- 11. Hon. Mabinty H Bangura
- 12. Hon. Songowa Bundu
- 13. Hon. Hassan B Sheriff
- 14. Hon. Mohamed Kamara
- 15. Hon. Rosky Momokani Mbayoh
- 16. Hon. PC Alhaji Bai Shebora Yek II

#### HEALTH AND SANITATION COMMITTEE

#### 1. Hon Mabinty Funna

#### 2. Hon Isata Kabia

**Deputy Chairman** 

Chairman

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Mohamed Kamara
- 4. Hon. Mohamed Lamin Mansaray
- 5. Hon. Abdulai Sesay
- 6. Hon. Dr Michel Sho-Sawyerr
- 7. Hon. Mabinty Kadija Sillah
- 8. Hon. Taworo Tara-Koroma
- 9. Hon. Dr Aiah Dabundeh
- 10. Hon. Patrick Foyah

- 11. Hon. Sualiho Monyaba Koroma
- 12. Hon. Helen Kuyembeh
- 13. Hon. Bu-Buakei Jabbi
- 14. Hon. Moses B Jorkie
- 15. Hon. Francis Amara Kaisamba
- 16. Hon. PC Mohamed Sama Kailondo Banya IV

#### LABOUR & INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

**1.** Hon. Francis Amara Konuwa

#### 2. Hon. Dauda D Fawundu

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Jusufu Barry Mansaray
- 4. Hon. Moses B Jorkie
- 5. Hon. Sualiho Monyaba Koroma
- 6. Hon. Bockarie Salamy Nomolie
- 7. Hon. Claude D. M. Kamanda
- 8. Hon. Thomas B Turay
- 9. Hon. Dr. Michel Sho-Sawyer
- 10. Hon. Kusan Sesay
- 11. Hon. Ibrahim Martin Bangura
- 12. Hon. Rosky Momokani Mbayoh
- 13. Hon. Dr. Roland Foday Kargbo
- 14. Hon. Daniel B Koroma
- 15. Hon. Mabinty H Bangura
- 16. Hon. PC Sheku A. T. Fasuluku Sonsiama III

Chairman Deputy Chairman

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**1.** Hon. Jusufu Barry Mansaray

#### 2. Hon. Ibrahim Nox Sankoh

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- 4. Hon. Henneh Raddar
- 5. Hon. Patrick Lahai M Kargbo
- 6. Hon.David Johnson
- 7. Hon. Saidu Baba Kamara
- 8. Hon. Abubakar Koroma
- 9. Hon. Thomas Mark Turay
- 10. Hon. Ibrahim Pateh Bah
- 11. Hon. Komba ES Boyah
- 12. Hon. Helen Kuyembeh
- 13. Hon. Patrick Foyah
- 14. Hon. Sualiho Monyaba Koroma
- 15. Hon. Abu Jajua
- 16. Hon. PC Prince Mambu Pewa

#### **SPORTS COMMITTTEE**

**1.** Hon. Ibrahim Martin Bangura

#### 2. Hon. Alieu Badara K. Munu

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- 3. Hon. Kemokoh Conteh
- 4. Hon. Amadu Fofanah
- 5. Hon. David Johnson
- 6. Hon. Alhassan Kamara
- 7. Hon. Rosky Momokani Mbayoh

Chairman

#### Deputy Chairman

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Chairman Deputy Chairman

- 8. Hon. Bai Kalokoh
- 9. Hon. Alpha B Lewally
- 10. Hon. Mohamed K Thorley
- 11. Hon. Moiwa Momoh
- 12. Hon. Alusine Kanneh
- 13. Hon. Dickson M Rogers
- 14. Hon. Emma Josephine Kowa
- 15. Hon. Bockarie Nomolie Salamy
- 16. Hon. PC Brima Victor Sidi Kebbie

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15. Hon. Aaron Aruna Koroma

| 1. Hon. Frank Kposowa                | Chairman        |
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| 2. Hon. Mima Yema Mimi Sobba-Stevens | Deputy Chairman |
| The rest are members:                |                 |
| 3. Hon. Saidu Mansaray               |                 |
| 4. Hon. Dixon M Rogers               |                 |
| 5. Hon. Alfred B Katta               |                 |
| 6. Hon. Mohamed K Thorley            |                 |
| 7. Hon. Patricia Brown               |                 |
| 8. Hon. Bai Kalokoh                  |                 |
| 9. Hon. Alie Kalokoh                 |                 |
| 10.Hon. Tamba Entochema Ebba         |                 |
| 11.Hon. Sulaiman Muluku Sisay        |                 |
| 12.Hon. Alhaji Seray Dumbuya         |                 |
| 13.Hon. Abi Kalokoh                  |                 |
| 14. Hon. Nicholas Kamara             |                 |

16. Hon. PC Prince Mambu Pewa

#### FISHERIES AND MARINE RESOURCES

#### 1. Hon. Patrick Foyah

#### 2. Hon. Edward Stile Jengo

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Dauda D Fawundu
- 4. Hon. Bashiru Silikie
- 5. Hon. Umar Paran Tarawally
- 6. Hon. Francis Amara Konuwa
- 7. Hon. Amadu Fofanah
- 8. Hon. Dauda JB Kallon
- 9. Hon. Abi Kalokoh
- 10. Hon. Ibrahim Pateh Bah
- 11. Hon. Alieu Badara K Munu
- 12. Hon. Henneh Raddar
- 13. Hon. Thomas Mark Turay
- 14. Hon. Hassan Sesay
- 15. Hon. Bai Kalokoh
- 16. Hon. PC Brima Victor Sidi Kebbie

#### INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

- 1. Hon Benneh Bangura Chairman
- 2. Hon Thomas B Turay Deputy Chairman

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Kerifala Sheku Conteh
- 4. Hon. Claude D.M Kamanda
- 5. Hon. Sheku Sannoh
- 6. Hon. Dr. Michel Sho-Sawyerr
- 7. Hon. Regina Marah
- 8. Hon. Saar Sangbah

Chairman Deputy Chairman

- 9. Hon. Hassan Sesay
- 10. Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay
- 11. Hon. Frank Kposowa
- 12. Hon. Jusufu Barry Mansaray
- 13. Hon. Bashiru Silikie
- 14. Hon. Gladys Gbappy Gbamoh Brima
- 15. Hon. Umar Paran Tarawally
- 16. Hon PC Bai Bureh Sallu Lugbu II

#### **ENERGY COMMITTEE**

#### 1. Hon Bliss Osho-Williams Chairman

#### 2. Hon Songowa Bundu Deputy Chairman

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Alimamy G Kargbo
- 4. Hon. Kusan Sesay
- 5. Hon. Saidu Baba Kamara
- 6. Hon. Saar Sangbah
- 7. Hon. Abdul Salaam Kanu
- 8. Hon. Ibrahim Knox Sankoh
- 9. Hon. Alieu Badara K Munu
- 10. Hon. Samuel H. Brima
- 11. Hon. Francis Amara Kaisamba
- 12. Hon. Gladys Gbamoh Gbappy Brima
- 13. Hon. Moses B Jorkie
- 14. Hon. Saidu Mansaray
- 15. Hon. Moses Alieu Swaray
- 16. Hon. PC Joseph Alie Kavura Kongomoh II

#### WORKS, HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Chairman

**Deputy Chairman** 

| 1. ł | lon. | Kombor | Kamara |
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2. Hon. Alie Kalokoh

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Rosaline J Smith
- 4. Hon. David Johnson
- 5. Hon. Albert Deen Kamara
- 6. Hon. Abdul Salaam Kanu
- 7. Hon. Sheku Sannoh
- 8. Hon. Sahr Tengbeh
- 9. Hon. Ibrahim Martin Bangura
- 10. Hon. Jusufu Barry Mansaray
- 11. Hon. Bashiru Silikie
- 12. Hon. Thomas Solomon Segepoh
- 13. Hon. Mima Yema Mimi Sobba-Stevens
- 14. Hon. Andrew Victor Lungay
- 15. Hon. Sahr Fatorma
- 16. Hon. PC Bai Kurr Kanagbaro Sanka III

#### TRANSPORT AND AVIATION COMMITTEE

1. Alpha B Lewally Chairman

#### 2. Hon. Nicholas Kamara Deputy Chairman

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Kemokai Conteh
- 4. Hon. Dauda JB Kallon
- 5. Hon. Amadu Mohamed Kanu
- 6. Hon. Ibrahim Nox Sankoh
- 7. Hon. Rosaline J Smith
- 8. Hon. Kombor Kamara
- 9. Hon. Saar Sangbah

- 10. Hon. Sidi Mohamed Tunis
- 11. Hon. Komba ES Boyah
- 12. Hon. Foday Rado Yokie
- 13. Hon. Moses Swaray
- 14. Hon. Bashiru Silikie
- 15. Hon. Dr. Bu-Buakei Jabbi
- 16. Hon. PC Bai Kurr Kanagbaro Sanka III

#### YOUTH AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

- 1. Hon. Hassan Sesay
- 2. Hon. Abi Kalokoh

**Deputy Chairman** 

Chairman

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Dauda J.B Kallon
- 4. Hon. Mohamed Kamara
- 5. Hon. Nicholas Kamara
- 6. Hon. Michel Sho-Sawyer
- 7. Hon. Alie Kalokoh
- 8. Hon. Dr. Roland Foday Kargbo
- 9. Hon. Daniel B Koroma
- 10. Hon. Bashiru Silikie
- 11. Hon. Alfred B Katta
- 12. Hon. Saidu Mansaray
- 13. Hon. Moiwa Momoh
- 14. Hon. Dickson M Rogers
- 15. Hon. Samuel H Braima
- 16. Hon. PC Mansa Paki Kabombor II

#### WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE

#### 1. Hon. Sualiho Monyaba Koroma

#### 2. Hon. Abu Jajua

The rest are members:

Chairman Deputy Chairman

- 3. Hon. Dauda D Fawundu
- 4. Hon. Francis Amara Kaisamba
- 5. Hon. Alfred B Katta
- 6. Hon. Mima Yema Mimi Sobba-Stevens
- 7. Hon. Lahai Marah
- 8. Hon. Bliss Osho Williams
- 9. Hon. Rosaline J Smith
- 10. Hon. Hassan B Sheriff
- 11. Hon. Amadu Mohamed Kanu
- 12. Hon. Frederick Sandy Sourie
- 13. Hon. Ibrahim Kamara
- 14. Hon. Mohamed Lamin Mansaray
- 15. Hon. Mabinty Khadija Sillah
- 16. Hon. PC Alhaji Bai Shebora Yek II

#### DEFENCE AND OFFICE OF NATIONAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

1. Hon. Leonard S Fofanah

Chairman

2. Hon. Foday Rado Yokie

**Deputy Chairman** 

The rest are members:

- 3. Hon. Songowa Bundu
- 4. Hon. Frederick Sandy Sourie
- 5. Hon. Alpha B Lewally
- 6. Hon. Kombor Kamara
- 7. Hon. Abdulai Sesay
- 8. Hon. Alhassan Kamara
- 9. Hon. Patrick Lahai M Kargbo
- 10. Hon. Amadu Fofanah
- 11. Hon. Komba E S Boyah
- 12. Hon. Patrick Foyah
- 13. Hon. Ansumana Jaia Kaikai

- 14. Hon. Lansana Ibrahim Kemokai
- 15. Hon. Brimah Conteh
- 16. Hon. PC Bai Bureh Sallu Lugbu II

#### SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

| 1. | Hon. Ibrahim R Bundu     | Majority Leader                            |
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| 2. | Hon. Dr Bernadette Lahai | Minority Leader                            |
| 3. | Hon. Claude D M Kamanda  | Majority Whip                              |
| 4. | Hon. Sidi Mohamed Tunis  | Minority Whip                              |
| 5. | Mr. Ibrahim S. Sesay     | Clerk of Parliament/Secretary to Committee |

**THE SPEAKER:** Honourable Members, all of us must have realised that there has been a split between Youth and Sports. Youth is a Committee on its' own and Sports. There is also a separation between Energy and Water Resources.

#### (Question proposed, put and agreed to)

(The Sessional Select Committees has been approved as presented)

#### ADJOURNMENT

(The House rose at 12.00 noon and was adjourned until Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2014, at 10.00 a.m.)