



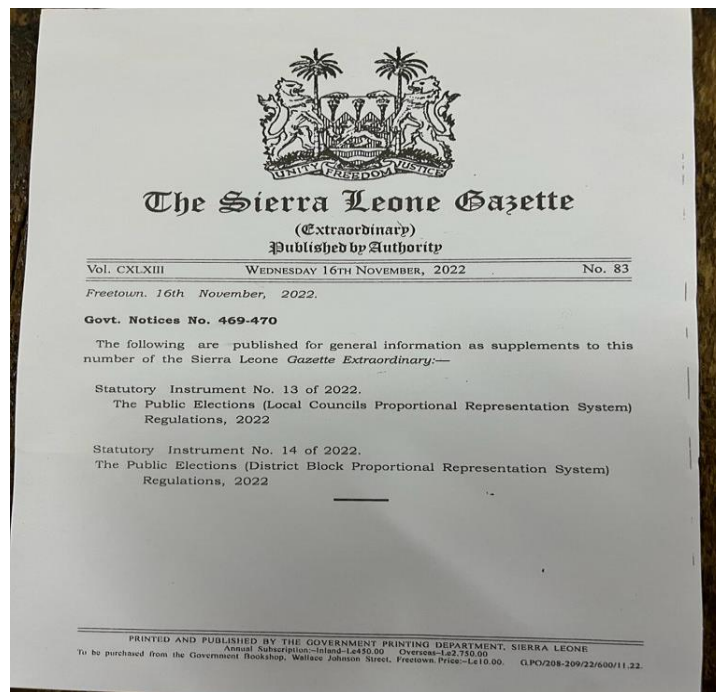
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PRESS RELEASE



DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE LAYS ELECTORAL REGULATIONS IN PARLIAMENT

The Deputy Attorney General and Minister of Justice, Umaro Napoleon Koroma has today Wednesday 23/11/2022 finally laid on the Table of the House two major Electoral Regulations for the purposes of next year's General Elections.

The following Electoral Regulations were laid in Parliament:

1. The Public Elections (District Block Proportional Representation System) Regulations 2022 and
2. The Public Elections (Local Councils Proportional Representation System) Regulations, 2022

A Notice of Motion has already been given by Hon. Musa Fofanah of C4C for the Regulations so laid to be debated.

These Regulations will form part of the Laws of Sierra Leone after the expiration of 21 Days or until otherwise annulled by two-thirds of votes cast by Members of Parliament.

This is pursuant to Section 170 (7) of the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone which reads:

"Any orders, rules or regulations made by any person or authority pursuant to a power conferred in that behalf by this Constitution or any other law:

(a) shall be laid before Parliament;

(b) shall be published in the Gazette on or before the day they are so laid before Parliament;

(c) shall come into force at the expiration of a period of twenty-one days of being so laid unless Parliament, before the expiration of the said period of twenty-one days, annuls any such orders, rules or regulations by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the Members of Parliament"

The two Electoral Regulations were finally laid today in Parliament after a prolonged delay of proceedings by Opposition APC Members of Parliament, who were opposed to the Electoral Regulations.

The Police assisted the Speaker of Parliament to restore decorum in the House for the proceedings of Parliament to commence and go on unhindered.

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