



SIERRA LEONE PARLIAMENT
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PARLIAMENT APPROVES SIX (6) PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEES

The Parliamentary Committee on Appointments and the Public Service has presented its Twenty-Second Report to the plenary on Tuesday 2nd December, 2014 for the ratification of Six Presidential Nominees who were successfully interviewed based on their track records, tax obligations, and visionary tenure if approved by Parliament. The Committee is charged with the responsibility of vetting the suitability of Presidential Nominees; and constitutes 16-Members including 9 APC, 6 SLPP, and 1 Paramount Chief. Representation in a Committee depends on the strength of the political party in Parliament cognizant of independent candidates.

The following Presidential Nominees were approved by Parliament through a collection of voices:

1. Mr. Alie Badara Mansaray, Commissioner, National Commission for Social Action (NACSA);
2. Mr. Daniel Mills Mason, Executive Chairman, Petroleum Regulatory Agency Board;
3. Mr. Elvis Kargbo, Chairman, Sierra Leone Airport Authority;
4. Reverend Michael Samura, Board Chairman, Sierra Leone Road Transport Authority;
5. Mr. Augustus E. Wachuku-King, Member, Petroleum Regulatory Agency Board; and
6. Mr. Alpha Tejan-Jalloh, Member, Petroleum Regulatory Agency Board



Some of the presidential nominees approved by Parliament

In the spirit of the proviso of section 57 of Act No. 6 of the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone, nominees duly approved by Parliament will enter their official functions after they have taken and subscribed to an oath administered by H.E the President, Dr. Ernest Bai Koroma as inscribed in the Third Schedule of the said 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone.

In another development, the Parliament of Sierra Leone has on the 02nd December, 2014 ratified a \$ 99.4 Million Grant Financing Agreement (Additional Financing for Ebola Emergency Response Project) between the Republic of Sierra Leone and the International Development Association, dated 20th November, 2014. The objective of the project is to contribute in the

short-term to the control of the Ebola virus; and the availability of selected essential health services to mitigate the socio-economic impact on the country.

Parliament of Sierra Leone has on the same date ratified a Memorandum of Understanding (Agreement) between the Government of Sierra Leone and the SOCFIN Agricultural Company (SL) Limited, dated 24th September, 2012; totaling \$ 111 Million investment in oil palm plantations and extraction mill in the Southern Province between 2011 to 2019; aiming job creation; promote Local Content Policy and healthcare services; and human resource development. The Agreement is in line with the policy of the Government of Sierra Leone to attract large-scale foreign investments to the Agricultural sector of Sierra Leone.