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PARLIAMENT APPROVES SEVEN PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEES

The Parliament of Sierra Leone has on Friday 09th November 2018 debated and approved the Seventeenth Report of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service, chaired by the Leader of Government Business, Hon. Sidie M. Tunis.

The following presidential nominees were approved by Parliament:

- i. Mrs. Gina Banda Thomas-Chairman, Board of Trustees, Sierra Leone Broadcasting Corporation (SLBC)
- ii. Dr. Arthur C. Williams-Chairman, Health Service Commission
- iii. Dr. Ibrahim Seaga Shaw-Chairman/Information/Commissioner, Right to Access Information Commission
- iv. Mr. Murtada Mohamed Sesay-Chairman, National Medical Supplies Agency
- v. Mr. Henry H. Kuyembeh-Member, National Medical Supplies Agency
- vi. Mr. Sharkha Samuel Sannoh-Chief-Executive, Sierra Leone Small & Medium Enterprises Development Agency
- vii. Mrs. Melinda Ayodele Princess Davies-Member, Independent Media Commission (IMC)

MPs who spoke to the motion called on the nominees to use their professional experience and expertise to transform the agenda of the New Direction into reality, whilst encouraging them to promote easy access to information demanded by Sierra Leoneans and that SLBC should be transformed to strongly compete with other media houses in the country.

Hon. Ibrahim Ben Kargbo, Acting Leader of the Opposition commended President Bio for appointing media experts to serve in high offices of State, whilst encouraging them to deliver as promised.

Leader of Government Business, Hon. Sidie M. Tunis concurred that "the nominees are highly qualified for their various appointments". He also encouraged them to always work with Parliament to be effective in executing their duties, assuring that "we will give you all the support you need to succeed in office".

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