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PRESS RELEASE

SPEAKER ABASS BUNDU WILL SHARE HIS EXPERIENCE ON MANAGING DISSENSION IN PARLIAMENT



Speaker of the Parliament of Sierra Leone, Rt. Hon. Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu will share his experience and move a motion on Thursday 25/11/2021 at the Rwanda Conference Center in Kigali on the topic, "The Presiding Officer in a changing society: strategies for floor management of radical dissent and minority government".

Given the outcome of the last general election in Sierra Leone which produced a rainbow or hung parliament with four political parties without a dominant or two-thirds majority in the Parliament of Sierra Leone. It is quintessential for the Speaker of Sierra Leone Parliament, Rt. Hon. Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu to move this motion given the numerical configuration of the current Parliament assembled in Sierra Leone totaling 146, moreso to share his experience of successfully navigating and steering the ship of Sierra Leone Parliament to shore.

Rt. Hon. Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu is also a member of the Standing Committee of the Commonwealth Speakers and Presiding Officers Conference, Africa Region 2019-2021 representing West Africa.

This session will be moved by Sierra Leone, seconded by South Africa and chaired by Botswana.

The opening remarks for the Conference will be done by its Chairperson and Host Speaker, MP, Rt. Hon. Donatille Mukabalisa, Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of Rwanda.

The Conference is themed: "African Parliaments in 21st Century", and it is the 17th Conference of Commonwealth Speakers and Presiding Officers of CPA Africa Region that will take place in Kigali, Rwanda from 17th-28th November, 2021.

The Delegation of Sierra Leone Parliament has safely landed in Kigali, Rwanda and it is inclusively inclusive of the Speaker of Parliament, Hon. Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu, Leader of Government Business, Hon. Mathew Sahr Nyuma, Clerk of Parliament, Hon. Dr. Paran Umar Tarawally and supported by Sheku Lamin Turay, Hannah Sankoh and Sallay Kawa.

Rwanda is a landlocked country that is clean and green with a population more than Sierra Leone. It has similarly a hilly topography like Sierra Leone's capital city Freetown having a peninsular - a piece of land that is almost surrounded by water.

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