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VP OF NATIONAL OBSERVATORY FOR CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IN MOROCCO COMMENDS SPEAKER THOMAS FOR PROMOTING KIDS' PARLIAMENT

Professor Ghizlaine Benjelloun, Vice President of the National Observatory for Children's Rights in Morocco, on Monday, 9/6/2025, paid a courtesy call on the Rt. Hon. Speaker Segepoh Solomon Thomas and also commended the Speaker of the Sierra Leone Parliament for promoting the Kids Parliament. Professor Ghizlaine Benjelloun also lavished tremendous praises on the Rt. Hon. Speaker Segepoh Solomon Thomas for enacting progressive legislations geared toward ameliorating the welfare of children and women.

In her commendation message to the Rt. Hon. Speaker Segepoh Solomon Thomas, Professor Ghizlaine Benjelloun expressed elation for the courtesy call they made on the Rt. Hon. Speaker. She added that the delegation felt joyful for being hosted in the office of the Speaker. She confessed that she felt impressed by all the things she heard about Parliament geared towards promoting the rights of children and women. She also commended the Rt. Hon. Speaker and the House of Parliament in its entirety for the abolition of Child Marriage. She concluded by anticipating an undying collaboration between the two Nations to continue promoting the rights of children and women.

In his address, the Rt. Hon. Speaker Segepoh Solomon Thomas accorded a red carpet welcome to the Delegation from Morocco. He assured the delegation that Sierra Leone has been doing tremendously well in terms of promoting issues relating to children and women. Speaker Thomas added that the Parliament of Sierra Leone had already passed into law progressive legislations geared toward promoting the rights of women and children. Speaker Thomas reiterated that the Sixth Parliament, under his leadership, treats matters relating to children very seriously. The Rt. Hon. Speaker commended the Kids Parliament, adding that all the Kids in the Kids Parliament are smart kids and potential leaders of Sierra Leone. Speaker Thomas furthered that due to the deliberate measures put in place for the girl child, he said the country now records the highest number of girls attending school, are far more than the boys. The Rt. Hon. Speaker also elucidated that the Parliament of Sierra Leone had given 30% quota for female representation in Parliament and in governance nationally. Speaker Thomas reassured the delegation that the Parliament of Sierra Leone would continue to make progressive laws to promote the rights of children and women across the country. The courtesy call was climaxed with the Vice President, Professor Ghislaine Benjelloun, gifting the Rt. Hon. Speaker.

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