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*THE CONSTITUTION OF SIERRA LEONE, 1991
(Act No. 6 of 1991)*

*THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO RECENT
DISTURBANCES INVOLVING KOINDU HOLDINGS MINING
COMPANY AND THE KOIDU COMMUNITY*

In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by subsection (1) of section 147 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991, the President acting on the advice of Cabinet hereby appoints the following Commission of Inquiry by this Constitutional Instrument:—

1. There is hereby appointed a Commission of Inquiry Appointment hereinafter referred to as “the Commission”, which shall consist of of Commission. the following Persons:—

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| (a) Blyden Jenkins-Johnston,
Barrister-at-Law | – | Chairman |
| (b) Mr. Ivan Gordon,
Rtd. Director of Mines | – | Member |
| (c) Rtd. Brigadier Mustapha
K. Dumbuya | – | Member |
| (d) Mr. Jacob Elvis Quee | – | Secretary |

2. (1) The purpose for which the Commission is appointed Terms of is to inquire into the relationship between Koindu Holdings Mining reference. Company and the Koidu Community.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subparagraph (1), the Commission shall—

- (a) investigate and ascertain the reasons and causes of the events leading to the disturbances on the 13th December, 2007 which resulted in the death of two persons and injuries to a number of other persons;
- (b) investigate and ascertain the reasons and causes of discontent between Koindu Holdings Mining Company and the Koidu Community;
- (c) make such recommendations as the Commission thinks fit.

(3) The Commission shall submit a report to the President, in writing, signed by the Commissioners, within three weeks of the commencement of this Commission of Inquiry.

Proceedings of Commission. 3. (1) The Commission shall commence its proceedings as soon as may be after the publication of this Instrument and shall sit at Freetown and Kono.

(2) The proceedings of the Commission shall be held in public unless otherwise decided by the Commission in the interest of public safety or public order.

MADE this 27th day of December, 2007.

ERNEST BAI KOROMA,
President.