



**SIXTH PARLIAMENT
OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE
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THURSDAY 8TH MAY, 2025

**The House Met at 10:05 a.m.
The Rt. Hon. Speaker, Segepoh Solomon Thomas, Presided.**

I. ATTENDANCE:

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:			
NO	NAME	PARTY	DISTRICT
1.	Hon. Abdulai Charles Osman	SLPP	Bo
2.	Hon. Amara Haja Miatta	APC	Western Area Rural
3.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahiteh	SLPP	Bo
4.	Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu	APC	Western Area Urban
5.	Hon. Bah Zinab	APC	Western Area Rural
6.	Hon. Bangura Abdul Karim	SLPP	Karene
7.	Hon. Bangura Adama	SLPP	Kambia
8.	Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty	APC	Karene
9.	Hon. Bangura Daniel Amadu	APC	Tonkolili
10.	Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz	APC	Port Loko
11.	Hon. Bangura Mariama	APC	Western Area Urban
12.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed	APC	Karene
13.	Hon. Barrie Ibrahim	APC	Bombali
14.	Hon. Bayoh Alie	SLPP	Kenema
15.	Hon. Bockarie Bintu Fatmata	SLPP	Bonthe
16.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Kenema
17.	Hon. Boima Sylvester Arnold Maxwell (Rtd. Capt.)	SLPP	Moyamba
18.	Hon. Conteh Hawa	APC	Koinadugu
19.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa	SLPP	Western Area Urban
20.	Hon. Conteh Kemokoh	APC	Western Area Rural
21.	Hon. Conteh Mohamed	APC	Bombali
22.	Hon. Conteh Paul Samba	APC	Bombali
23.	Hon. Daramy Princess Kadie	SLPP	Western Area Urban
24.	Hon. Dauda Idris Moiwai	SLPP	Bonthe
25.	Hon. Edwin Moses A.	SLPP	Bonthe
26.	Hon. Fatorma Juliana Aliematu	SLPP	Kenema
27.	Hon. Fofanah Mohamed Tawallie	SLPP	Kambia
28.	Hon. Fofanah Musa	SLPP	Kono
29.	Hon. Fornah Daniel	APC	Tonkolili
30.	Hon. Forna Mabinty	APC	Tonkolili
31.	Hon. Gbreh III P.C Bai Shebora Sheba	P.C	Port Loko



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32.	Hon. Gevao Hindolo Moiwo	SLPP	Kailahun
33.	Hon. Goba Mariama Ella	SLPP	Kenema
34.	Hon. Gondor II P.C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun
35.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fodie Madie	SLPP	Falaba
36.	Hon. Jalloh Memunatu	APC	Port Loko
37.	Hon. Jalloh Mohamed Alpha	APC	Bombali
38.	Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie	SLPP	Western Area Rural
39.	Hon. Johnny Tamba Simeon	SLPP	Kono
40.	Hon. Kabba Ibrahim	SLPP	Western Area Rural
41.	Hon. Kaisamba Francis Amara	SLPP	Kenema
42.	Hon. Kallon Hawa	SLPP	Pujehun
43.	Hon. Kamara Abdulai A.	APC	Western Area Urban
44.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Kambia
45.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko
46.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash	APC	Karene
47.	Hon. Kamara Idriss Sahid	SLPP	Western Area Urban
48.	Hon. Kamara Mahmoud	APC	Western Area Urban
49.	Hon. Kamara Marie	APC	Bombali
50.	Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei	SLPP	Kono
51.	Hon. Kamara Rugiatu	APC	Tonkolili
52.	Hon. Kanneh P. C. Alameen	-	Kenema
53.	Hon. Kanu Abdulai Karim	SLPP	Port Loko
54.	Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy	APC	Western Area Urban
55.	Hon. Kargbo Amara Momoh	SLPP	Western Area Rural
56.	Hon. Kargbo John Sartty	APC	Western Area Rural
57.	Hon. Kargbo Mohamed Sheriff	APC	Karene
58.	Hon. Kargobai P.C Desmond Mahayei	-	Bo
59.	Hon. Kawaleh II P.C Kandeh Paria	-	Karene
60.	Hon. Keiha III P.C Kandeh Baba	-	Bombali
61.	Hon. Kellie Lucinda Finda	APC	Kono
62.	Hon. Kellie Tamba	APC	Kono
63.	Hon. Kemokai Abu	SLPP	Pujehun
64.	Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna	APC	Tonkolili
65.	Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima	APC	Koinadugu
66.	Hon. Koroma Ernest Dura	APC	Kambia
67.	Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue P.C Haja Fatmata Bintu	-	Moyamba
68.	Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba	APC	Bombali
69.	Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbessay	APC	Western Area Urban
70.	Hon. Kumabeh Alice Jebbeh	SLPP	Bonthe
71.	Hon. Lahai Musa	SLPP	Kailahun



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72.	Hon. Larkoh Aruna Papay	APC	Tonkolili
73.	Hon. Langley Beatrice Iyamide	SLPP	Western Area Rural
74.	Hon. Lansana P.C Bio Prince	-	Bonthe
75.	Hon. Lebby Ambrose Maada	SLPP	Bo
76.	Hon. Lebbie Nenneh	SLPP	Bo
77.	Hon. Mackery Yusuf	SLPP	Bo
78.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema
79.	Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla	APC	Koinadugu
80.	Hon. Mansaray Konkofa Farah	SLPP	Koinadugu
81.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Alie Balan Sama	-	Koinadugu
82.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Thor Thor Sheku Terenah Tongos Neya Konkoroba Fanko Lai	-	Falaba
83.	Hon. Marray – Conteh Abdul Sulaiman	SLPP	Western Area Urban
84.	Hon. Moijueh Jibrila Sur	SLPP	Bonthe
85.	Hon. Momodu Sahr Koutu	SLPP	Kono
86.	Hon. Moriba Amie Nyava	SLPP	Bo
87.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenem
88.	Hon. Ngbak IV P.C Bai Farama Tass Bubu	-	Kambia
89.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema
90.	Hon. Pyne Umu	SLPP	Moyamba
91.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun
92.	Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh	SLPP	Pujehun
93.	Hon. Salia – Konneh Quintin	SLPP	Kailahun
94.	Hon. Sandy Alice Kornya	SLPP	Kenema
95.	Hon. Sankoh – Yillah Ishmael	SLPP	Port Loko
96.	Hon. Saquee V P.C Paul Ngaba	-	Kono
97.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba
98.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latiff	APC	Port Loko
99.	Hon. Sesay Jawah	APC	Tonkolili
100.	Hon. Sesay Pessima Mariatu Racheal	SLPP	Port Loko
101.	Hon. Sesay Sallieu Osman	APC	Bombali
102.	Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie	SLPP	Moyamba
103.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Bo
104.	Hon. Songa Bernadette Wuyatta	SLPP	Kailahun
105.	Hon. Soukenah Fatmata Sarah	SLPP	Western Area Urban
106.	Hon. Tamu P . C. Saffa Monya	-	Pujehun
107.	Hon. Tarawalli-Mussaffa Rugiatu	SLPP	Kenema
108.	Hon. Taylor-Bangura Mabinty Alice	APC	Kambia
109.	Hon. Thompson Alfred Ayodele	APC	Western Area Urban
110.	Hon. Tholley Foyoh	SLPP	Tonkolili



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111.	Hon. Timbo Osman Abdal	APC	Western Area Urban
112.	Hon. Tommy Sia Mahawa Habiamama	SLPP	Kono
113.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono
114.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	Western Area Urban
115.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Kekura	SLPP	Bo
116.	Hon. Williams – Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Bo
117.	Hon. Zombo Mariama Munia	SLPP	Pujehun
THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:			
1.	Hon. Bangura Rose - Marie	APC	Tonkolili
2.	Hon. Conteh Adama	APC	Western Area Urban
3.	Hon. George Edward	SLPP	Moyamba
4.	Hon. Johnson Margaret Feimata	SLPP	Kailahun
5.	Hon. Kamara Mohamed Sheridan	APC	Kambia
6.	Hon. Kanneh Mohamed	SLPP	Kailahun
7.	Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph	SLPP	Western Area Rural
8.	Hon. Kargbo Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim	SLPP	Port Loko
9.	Hon. Koroma Ibrahim	SLPP	Kenema
10.	Hon. Mansaray Alpha Ben	APC	Moyamba
11.	Hon. Quee Komba	SLPP	Kono
12.	Hon. Rahman – Coker Mohamed Sheriff	SLPP	Western Area Urban
13.	Hon. Sama Shiaka Musa	SLPP	Pujehun
14.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba
THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT WITH AN EXCUSE:			
1.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed Papa	APC	Bombali
2.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun
3.	Hon. Conteh John Charles	APC	Bombali
4.	Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa	SLPP	Bo
5.	Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr	APC	Wester Area n Rural
6.	Hon. Kamara Joseph Abdul Bash	SLPP	Bo
7.	Hon. Kanbgai Beatrice Maaya	SLPP	Bo
8.	Hon. Kargbo Abdul	APC	Port Loko
9.	Hon. Lamina Saa Emerson	SLPP	Kono
10.	Hon. Moigua Musa Peter	SLPP	Kenema
11.	Hon. Sesay Aminata	APC	Port Loko
12.	Hon. Siafa Rosaline Hawa	SLPP	Kailahun
13.	Hon. Tarawally Cathrine Zainab	APC	Bombali
14.	Hon. Tengbeh Fallah Kenawah	SLPP	Kailahun
15.	Hon. Tongi Emilia Lolloh	SLPP	Kailahun
16.	Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed	SLPP	Pujehun
17.	Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba	APC	Tonkolili



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Pronouncement of Quorum:

The Acting Clerk of Parliament, **Mr. Gilbert Bosco N'habay**, made the following pronouncement as quoted: **"Mr. Speaker, Hon. Members. Pursuant to Section 89 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991, Act No. 6 of 1991 in tandem with S.O. 7(1) of the Standing Orders of Parliament, this House has formed a quorum to commence its proceedings."**

1. Prayers were read by Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston, Deputy Director II.

2. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) was moved at 10:08 a.m. by **Hon. Veronica K. Sesay from Moyamba District** for the commencement of proceedings. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Idrissa Sahid Kamara from Western Urban District** and approved by the House.

3. Adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday 6th May, 2025:

The motion for the adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday 6th May, 2025 was moved by **Hon. Rebecca Yei Kamara from Kono District**. It was seconded by **Hon. Alice Kornya Sandy from Kenema District** and adopted by the House as amended.

4. Mr. Speaker's Announcement:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, invited all Committee Chairpersons to a meeting in Committee Room No. 1 at 2:00 p.m. prompt.

5. Laying of Papers:

The Deputy Director II, **Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston**, called upon the Hon. Member to lay the report.

A. Hon. P.C. Alhaji Sheku Terenah T. N. F. Marah, Chairman of Parliamentary Committee on Privileges and Ethics to lay the following report:

Report on the Ruling of the Rt. Honorable Speaker of Parliament on Melvin Tejan Mansaray (Journalist) Interview Statement at the 98.1 Radio Democracy on Wednesday 1st January 2025 which the House referred to as "Contempt of Parliament".

The Deputy Director II called upon the Hon. Member to lay the report.

B. Hon. Dickson Momoh Rogers, Chairman of Parliamentary Committee on Transports and Aviation to lay the following report:



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**Report of the Oversight visit of the Parliamentary Committee on Transport and Aviation
on the Parliamentary Actions and Progress status of the Banana Island Port dated, May
2025.**

6. Standing Order 14 (J) Ministerial Statements:

Pursuant to Paragraph (a) and (b) of subsection 2 of Section 107 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991, Act No. 6 of 1991.

The Minister of Basic and Senior Secondary School Education.

To explain the role of the Ministry in addressing the challenges relating to the 2025 West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE).

The Minister of Basic and Higher Education, **Mr. Conrad Sackey**, presented his statement to the House thus:

STATEMENT

"Mr. Speaker, Honourable Members of Parliament,
I rise today to address a matter of grave concern—one that speaks to the heart of our commitment to educational accountability, quality assurance, and the rights of our pupils to fair and timely access to national examinations.

Mr. Speaker and Honourable Members, the role of my Ministry has been to address and resolve all challenges to the extent possible. I am pleased to report that in our efforts to address and resolve these challenges, I have involved honourable members of this House. Let me explain these challenges and how we have tried to address and resolve them in some detail:

Unlike the National Primary School Examination (NPSE) and the Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE), which are both national examinations taken only by candidates from Sierra Leone, the West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE) is an international examination subject to rules, regulations, and procedures agreed upon by all member countries—namely Nigeria, Ghana, The Gambia, Liberia, and Sierra Leone. Sierra Leone has considerable flexibility in handling its national exams. For example, we can adjust the dates for submitting continuous assessment scores—something that is extremely difficult, if not impossible, in the case of WASSCE.

Prior to the 2024/25 school year, schools had been submitting entries for WASSCE directly to WAEC without any checks by the MBSSE. Before the May/June 2024 WASSCE sitting, it was brought to my Ministry's attention that:



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(i) some schools appeared to be entering bogus candidates, and

(ii) many schools had submitted entries very late and would not be able to upload their CASS Year 1 data before the WAEC portal closed.

Uploading CASS Year 1 is the entry point for the WASSCE exams, during which candidate biodata is captured. Failing to meet this deadline prevents schools from uploading subsequent CASS scores and completing the Batch Registration (BRS). (It should be noted that no single member country determines when the international WAEC portal opens or closes—this is entirely a WAEC matter.) I made repeated appeals to WAEC, but all fell on deaf ears. The reason for this rejection was that Sierra Leone had developed a reputation for failing to meet the international deadline, and WAEC had previously accommodated Sierra Leone's requests for extra days. This rejection last year led to the Government of Sierra Leone funding the November/December sitting for school candidates.

Through the CPSS and via radio announcements and discussions, schools were repeatedly informed and warned about the importance of uploading the required information to WAEC portals in a timely manner. Regarding the issue of bogus candidates, which was brought to my Ministry's attention by a member of this House, checks were carried out and confirmed that some schools had entered candidates who did not qualify to sit the WASSCE as school candidates. It was this House that directed my Ministry to verify WASSCE entries submitted by schools moving forward. Schools were requested to submit the BECE details of candidates they intended to enter for the 2025 WASSCE. These details began arriving at MBSSE HQ in late July, with large volumes not appearing until mid- to late August.

To expedite the verification process, the checking was fully automated so that several schools could be verified within minutes. What we discovered was alarming: the vast majority of schools had many candidates who could not be 'cleared'. For example, of the 44,636 candidates submitted by 162 schools in the Western Urban Area and checked before 28 August 2024, only 22,681 (51%) could be cleared. Fewer than 10% of candidates from 27 schools could be cleared, and from 14 schools, not a single candidate could be cleared.

All schools with candidates that could not be cleared were urgently requested to resubmit their lists, explaining any possible errors. Sadly, the majority of these unverified candidates had been assigned BECE results that did not belong to them. Almost all schools made resubmissions—some up to three or even four times. When questioned, most school heads claimed that candidates were not attending school, making it difficult to obtain accurate information. They also cited this as the reason for inconsistencies in names across different submissions. (The difficulty with this argument is that they could not explain how admission into SS1 had been granted without accurate and confirmed BECE results.)



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All schools were advised to upload only cleared candidates before the WAEC portal closed, but some ignored this advice. Two such schools are the Methodist Girls High School and the Government Municipal Secondary School in Kissy.

The Methodist Girls High School originally submitted 597 candidates. My Ministry cleared 347 on 28 August 2024. The school resubmitted 238 candidates on 20 September 2024, of whom 66 were cleared on the same date. A third clearance of 52 was made before the portal closed, totaling 465 candidates cleared and submitted to WAEC. The principal was advised to upload these cleared candidates but failed to do so. She submitted another list after the portal had closed, claiming that some candidates were only just returning to school. She was categorically informed by my staff to expect backlash from the school's alumnae.

The Government Municipal Secondary School, Kissy, originally submitted 629 candidates. My Ministry cleared 580 on 28 August 2024—one full month before the deadline. The school resubmitted 33 candidates, of which 19 were cleared on 23 September, bringing the total to 599 cleared candidates. Despite this, the school failed to upload a single candidate.

It is apparent from the table below that, even allowing for class repetition, the number of candidates entered for WASSCE is disproportionately high compared to those passing BECE. This suggests that schools are manipulating the system.

Candidates Passing BECE (2018–2024)

Year | Total Pass

2018 – 97,726
2019 – 103,533
2020 – 108,674
2021 – 124,541
2022 – 131,433
2023 – 133,129
2024 – 125,092

Candidate Entries for WASSCE (2018–2024)

Year | Entry

2018 – 33,396
2019 – 105,685
2020 – 151,741
2021 – 164,458
2022 – 206,784
2023 – 230,973
2024 – 135,617

Note: A candidate who passed BECE in 2020 would be in SS1 in 2020/21, SS2 in 2021/22, and SS3 in 2022/23. Without repetition, he/she would sit for WASSCE in May/June 2023. In 2020, 108,674 candidates



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passed BECE. Yet, in 2023, 230,973 candidates were entered for WASSCE—more than double that number. (At that time, my Ministry was not verifying entries; schools submitted directly to WAEC.)

Additionally, the annual school census data for SS2 and SS3 show that SS3 enrolment is significantly higher than SS2 enrolment the previous year. This suggests that many principals are manipulating SS3 numbers to justify inflated WASSCE entries.

A major challenge is that names on WASSCE entry lists submitted for BECE verification often differ from one submission to another, and sometimes from the CASS 1 list or the list used for batch registration. When discrepancies arise, WAEC defaults to the names verified by my Ministry on the CASS 1 list.

My Ministry and I are determined to minimise the damage these manipulations cause to our children's futures. In this regard, together with my staff and some Members of this noble House, we have taken the following actions:

1. Held face-to-face meetings with senior staff of the national WAEC office to request an extension of the portal opening period.
2. Directed the outgoing CEO to send a formal Letter of Appeal for Re-opening of the CASS Year 1 Upload Portal to the WAEC Registrar on 14th October 2024.
3. Personally appealed to the Gambian High Commissioner (a former Education Minister residing in Sierra Leone) between 29th January and 6th February 2025.
4. Through the Deputy Speaker and others, facilitated another Letter of Appeal to the WAEC Registrar.
5. Approached my Nigerian counterpart on 10th March 2025, asking him to use his good office to intercede with the WAEC Registrar.
6. Directed the newly appointed CEO to raise the issue at WAEC's Annual Council Meeting in March 2025 in Liberia and submit another Letter of Appeal around 20th March 2025.
7. When all appeals failed, sought and received approval from the Minister of Finance for my Ministry to fund legitimate candidates to sit for WASSCE in November/December 2025. My Ministry also engaged an international NGO that has agreed to fund supplementary classes to prepare these candidates.
8. Drafted new guidelines for the submission of WASSCE entries and CASS, which we believe will significantly reduce—if not entirely prevent—late entries moving forward.
9. Collaborated with both sides of this House on a new WAEC Bill, which addresses the challenges faced over the past two years.
10. Suspended, without pay for six months, school leaders who failed to upload CASS Year 2. The Ministry has also instructed the Teaching Service Commission to investigate and discipline those who failed to upload CASS Year 1.

There is much more I could say, but I hope this has given you a clear picture of the challenges my Ministry faces and what we are doing to resolve them.

Thank you for listening so patiently."



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Conrad O. Sackey
Minister of Basic and Senior Secondary Education

The following Hon. Members commented on the challenges relating to the 2025 West African Senior Secondary Certificate Examination:

1. Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	A.P.C.	Kambia
2. Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma	S.L.P.P.	Kenema
3. Hon. Aaron A. Koroma	A.P.C	Tonkolili
4. Hon. Nenneh Lebbie	S.L.P.P.	Bo
5. Hon. Alpha Fodie M. Jabbie	S.L.P.P.	Falaba
6. Hon. Daniel B. Koroma	A.P.C.	Koinadugu
7. Hon. Bashiru Silikie	S.L.P.P.	Bo

7. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) was moved at 12 noon by **Hon. Veronica K. Sesay** from **Moyamba District** for proceedings to continue during lunch. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Nenneh Lebbie from Bo District** and approved by the House.

Continued proceedings

Mr. Speaker stood down the House at 12:47 p.m.

The House resumed at 12: 47 p.m.

Continued proceedings

8. Amendment of Order Paper

The Acting Majority Leader and Leader of Government, **Hon. Bashiru Silikie from Bo District** amended the Order Paper by replacing the **Proposer** and **Seconder** of the **Motion of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service** Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma from Kenema District with Hon. Bashiru Silikie from Bo District, and Hon. Bashiru Silikie from Bo District with Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara from Kambia District. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara from Kambia District** and approved by the House.



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9. Motion of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service

Proposer: Hon. Bashiru Silikie

Seconder: Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara

The Acting Committee Chairman, **Hon. Bashiru Silikie** proposed the motion thus:

“Be it resolved: that the Tenth Report of the Second Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service be adopted by the House and that the recommendations contained therein be approved.”

The Acting Committee Chairman, Hon. Bashiru Silikie from Bo District presented the Tenth Report of the Second Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service, on the vetting of presidential nominees to the House and the recommendations contained therein on the following appointees:

- i. **Mr. Ibrahim Sannor:** Proposed Minister, Minister of Youth Affairs.
- ii. **Mr. Mohamed Allie Bah:** Proposed Member, National Commission for Social Action (NaCSA).

Mr. Speaker proposed the Question for debate.

The Following Hon. Members spoke to the motion:

No.	Names of Members of Parliament	Political Party	District
1.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	A.P.C.	Kambia
2.	Hon. Veronica K. Sesay	S.L.P.P.	Moyamba
3.	Hon. Aaron A. Koroma	A.P.C.	Tonkolili
4.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie	S.L.P.P.	Bo



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Mr. Speaker put the question for vote:

"All those in favor, say Aye."

"All those against, say Nay."

Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

The Deputy Director II, **Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston**, pronounced that **"the Motion of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service had been approved."**

Mr. Speaker's Felicitations:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, extended his felicitations to the newly approved presidential nominees. He congratulated of them and wished them well in their respective duties. He admonished them to work diligently for the people of Sierra Leone.

Mr. Speaker stood down the House at 1:55 p.m.

The House resumed at 3:10 p.m.

The Acting Speaker, Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh presided.

10. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) was moved at 3:10 p.m. by **Hon. Veronica K. Sesay** from **Moyamba District** for proceedings to continue after the said time. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Alice Jebbeh Kumbek from Bonthe District** and approved by the House.

11. Government Motions:

A. The Minister of Employment, Labour and Social Security

The Deputy Director II called upon the said Minister, **Mr. Mohamed Rado Swaray** to proceed with the motion.

The Minister presented the objects and reasons of the motion to the House and moved thus:

"Be it resolved: that this Honourable House hereby ratifies the following agreement which was laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday 6th May 2025:



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Agreements and schedule of conditions of contract for the development and hosting of a unified E-Resident and work permit system between the Ministry of Employment, Labour and Social Security and the Minister of Internal Affairs through the Sierra Leone Immigration Department and Contract System Limited dated 12th February, 2025.

Mr. Speaker proposed the Question for debate.

The Following Hon. Members spoke to the motion:

No.	Names of Members of Parliament	Political Party	District
1.	Hon. Abdul S. Marray Conteh	S.L.P.P.	Western Area Urban
2.	Hon. Rebecca Yei Kamara	S.L.P.P.	Kono
3.	Hon. Tamba Kellie	A.P.C.	Kono
4.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie	S.L.P.P.	Bo

The Minister responded to the issues raised by Hon. Members and again moved the ratification of the motion.

Mr. Speaker put the question for vote:

"All those in favor, say Aye."

"All those against, say Nay."

Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

The Deputy Director II, **Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston**, pronounced that the Government Motion by the Minister of **Employment, Labour and Social Security** had been ratified.

B. The Minister of Technical and Higher Education

The Deputy Director II called upon the said Minister, Dr. Ramatulai Wurie to proceed with the motion.

The Minister presented the objects and reasons of the motion to the House and moved thus:



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“Be it resolved: that this Honourable House hereby ratifies the following agreements which were laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday 6th May 2025:

- i) Agreement on the Cooperation with regard to the creation of the West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use dated 10th February 2012, Lome, Togo.**
- ii) Additional Act to the Cooperation Agreement establishing the West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use dated 10th February 2012, Lome, Togo.**
- iii) Constitution on the West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use (WASCAL) Text adopted by the 1st WASCAL Council of Ministers on 10th February 2012, Lome, Togo.**

Mr. Speaker proposed the Question for debate.

The Following Hon. Members spoke to the motion:

No.	Names of Members of Parliament	Political Party	District
1.	Hon. Moses Edwin	S.L.P.P.	Bonthe
2.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	A.P.C.	Kambia
Mr. Speaker stood down the House at 4:05 p.m. The House resumed at 4:15 p.m. Continued proceedings			
3.	Hon. Mariama M. Zombo	S.L.P.P.	Pujehun
4.	Hon. Daniel B. Koroma	A.P.C.	Koinadugu
5.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie	S.L.P.P.	Bo

The Minister responded to the issues raised by Hon. Members and again moved the ratification of the motion.



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Mr. Speaker put the question for vote:

"All those in favor, say Aye."

"All those against, say Nay."

Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

The Deputy Director II, **Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston**, pronounced that **"the Government Motion by the Minister of Technical and Higher Education had been ratified."**

Adjournment:

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Tuesday 13th May, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

The House rose at 4:45 p.m.



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