PRESS RELEASE

DECLARATION OF DATES FOR THE CONDUCT OF PARAMOUNT CHIEFTAINCY ELECTIONS IN YONI AND MALAL MARRA CHIEFDOMS, TONKOLILI DISTRICT, NORTHERN REGION

In exercise of the powers vested in it under Section 33 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone (Act No. 6 of 1991) and pursuant to provisions in Section 28 of the Chieftaincy Act 2009 (Act No. 10 of 2009), the National Electoral Commission (NEC) in collaboration with the Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development (MLGRD) will conduct the following Paramount Chieftaincy Elections in the Tonkolili District.

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<td>Yoni</td>
<td>Thursday, 14th August 2014</td>
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<td>Malal Marrah</td>
<td>Saturday, 16th August 2014</td>
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The outcomes of the Revision of Councillors Lists and Declaration of Rights of eligible candidates for the conduct of Paramount Chieftaincy Elections in Malal Marra and Yoni Chiefdoms in the Tonkolili District that were conducted by the Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development (MLGRD) in collaboration with the National Electoral Commission (NEC) are still valid.

**Gaura Chiefdom Kenema District**

The Commission will not conduct Paramount Chieftaincy election in Gaura Chiefdom, Kenema District that was scheduled for Tuesday 5th August 2014. This is as a result of the Sierra Leone High Court decision dated 21st July 2014, granting suspension on the conduct of Paramount Chieftaincy election in Gaura Chiefdom Kenema District, pending Hearing and Determination on the matter.

Dated this 25th day of July 2014

Signed:

Stephen Aiah Mattia  
Commissioner in Charge  
National Electoral Commission