PRESS STATEMENT

DECLARATION OF RESULTS FOR LOCAL COUNCIL BYE-ELECTION IN WARD 210 KAMBIA DISTRICT.

1. By the powers vested in it under Section 33 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991 (Act No. 6 of 1991), and pursuant to Sections 69(1), 70(1) and 105 of the Public Elections Act, 2012 (Act No 4 of 2012); and Section 10(1) of the Local Government Act, 2004 (Act No. 1 of 2004); Local Council bye-election in Ward 210, Kambia District was conducted on Saturday 23\textsuperscript{rd} November, 2019, in accordance with the relevant electoral legal framework.

2. The vacancy occurred as a result of the death of Councillor Alex T. Kamara (RIP) of Ward 210, Constituency 062, Kambia District; whose death took place on Friday 30\textsuperscript{th} August 2019.

3. Six(6) political parties contested the Local Council bye-election as follows: the Sierra Leone Peoples Party (SLPP), the National Grand coalition (NGC), the All Peoples Congress (APC), the Peace and Liberation Party (PLP), the Republic National Independent Party (ReNIP) and the Peoples’ Democratic Party (PDP).

4. The Sierra Leone Police (SLP) provided security in all polling centres in the said Ward. There were reports of violence between political parties, but they were far away from the polling stations and thus the said violence did not affect the polling process. Thanks to the SLP for quelling down the situation.

5. Political party agents, the Political Parties Registration Commission (PPRC), the Office of National Security (ONS), National Elections Watch (NEW), Civil Society Network (CSN), Sierra Leone Association of Journalists (SLAJ), Human Rights Commission of Sierra Leone (HRCSL), observed the bye-election on polling day and the tallying of results at the District Council Hall, Kambia Town.

6. Media houses like the Sierra Leone Broadcasting Corporation (SLBC) radio and television, and the Africa Young Voices (AYV), radio and television, amongst other stakeholders, also observed the polling and tallying processes at the District Council Hall, Kambia Town.
7. ANALYSIS OF RESULTS: Ward 210 Kambia District Council:

- Seven (07) polling centre results were entered into the result database, representing 100% of all polling centers in the Ward.
- The voter turnout was 3,508 out of a voter register of 6,598; giving a percentage turnout of 53.2%.
- The total number of valid votes cast was 3,318;
- There were 190 invalid votes, representing 5.4% of total votes cast.

8. RESULTS OF LOCAL COUNCIL BYE-ELECTION IN WARD 210 KAMBIA DISTRICT HELD ON SATURDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2019

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Therefore, in exercise, of the powers conferred on me as National Returning Officer, by Section 94 Subsection (4) of the Public Elections Act, 2012 (Act No.4 of 2012), I hereby declare KAMARA, LAMIN S.B. of the National Grand Coalition (NGC), who having polled 1,796, being the highest number of valid votes obtained, duly elected Councillor of Ward 210, Constituency 062, in Kambia District.

Signed and dated this 24th day of November, 2019

Mohamed Nnah Aliu Conteh (OOR)
Chief Electoral Commissioner and Chairman
National Returning Officer