

## **Electoral Commission for Sierra Leone (ECSL)**



OAU Drive, Tower Hill, Freetown

#### PRESS RELEASE ON END OF CARD DISTRIBUTION

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2023 marked the end of the Voter Registration Card Distribution exercise. Throughout the ten-day period, the process had been generally peaceful. The Commission wishes to thank the public, political parties and other stakeholders for the peaceful conduct of the process.

The Commission also appreciates the significant role played by the Sierra Leone police and the Office of National Security (ONS) in providing security during the card distribution exercise.

Provisionally, about **2,613,655** voters have collected their voter registration cards. This represents about **77%** of total registered voters. This figure is provisional as not all centres were reported on during the process.

Additionally, there were **5,205** photo less registrants, **502** mismatched and **9,061** misplaced voters. Procedures dealing with these cases were strictly followed during the exercise. These include issuing of cards and attestations and relocation voters to their correct registration centres.

The public is hereby informed that collection of voter registration cards will continue at the various district offices nationwide from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

The public is also informed that today 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023, the Commission has signed contracts with 25 Civil Society Organizations (CSO's) to strengthen Electoral Education and Sensitization on the Proportional Representation System using money donated by ECOWAS.

The End



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### PRESS STATEMENT

# DECLARATION OF UNCONTESTED PARAMOUNT CHIEF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT DULY ELECTED AS PARAMOUNT CHIEF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT IN SIERRA LEONE

- By the powers vested in it under Section 33 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991 (Act No. 6 of 1991) and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 66 (b) and 97 (1) and (2) of the Public Elections Act, 2022(Act No. 4 of 2022);
- The Electoral Commission successfully conducted the Nomination of Candidates for the election of Paramount Chief Members of Parliament in 14 ECSL District offices nationwide excluding the Western Area.
- 3. After close of Nominations on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023, the Commission administered only ONE (1) PCMP Candidate Nomination in the following Districts: Kailahun, Kono, Tonkolili, Port Loko, Karene, Bo and Moyamba.
- 4. Pursuant to legal provisions, I hereby declare the undermentioned Candidates, being the sole nominated candidates during the Nomination of Paramount Chief Members of Parliament in their respective Districts, duly elected as Paramount Chief Members of Parliar ent.

Sn	Candidate	District
1	PC Cyril Foray Gondor II	Kailahun
2	PC Paul Ngaba Saquee V	Kono
3	PC Alhaji Masakama Kanamanka III	Tonkolili
4	Hon. PC Kandeh Paria Kawaleh II	Karene
5	PC Bai Shebora Sheba Gbereh III	Port Loko
6	PC Desmond Mahayei Kargobai	Bo
7	Hon. PC Haja Fatmata Bintu Koroma Meama Kajue	Moyamba

The Commission wishes you a successful term in office.

Signed and dated this 17th day of April 2023.

Mohamed K. Konneh

Chief Electoral Commissioner and Chairman

National Returning Officer