



NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION (NEC)



OAU Drive, Tower Hill,
Freetown-Sierra Leone

PRESS STATEMENT

DECLARATION OF RESULTS FOR PARLIAMENTARY BYE-ELECTION HELD IN CONSTITUENCY 107, WESTERN AREA URBAN DISTRICT ON SATURDAY 14TH NOVEMBER, 2015

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 the provisions of section 39(1) of the said Constitution, sections 69(1) and 70(1) of the Public Elections Act, 2012 (Act No 4 of 2012), a Parliamentary bye- election was successfully conducted by the National Electoral Commission (NEC) in Constituency 107, Western Area Urban District on the 14th Day of November, 2015, in accordance with the relevant electoral legal framework.
2. The vacancy in Constituency 107 occurred as a result of the death of Hon. Eugene Bliss Osho-Williams (RIP) of the All Peoples Congress (APC) on the 12th June, 2015.
3. Four Political Parties contested the Parliamentary Bye-Election as follows: The All Peoples Congress (APC), Alliance Democratic Party (ADP), The Peoples Movement for Democratic Change (PMDC) and the Sierra Leone Peoples Party (SLPP).
4. The Sierra Leone Police (SLP) provided security in all the polling centres in the Constituency.
5. Political Party agents, the PPRC, the National Elections Watch (NEW), All Political Parties Youth Association (APPYA), All Political Parties Women's Association (APPWA), Democracy Sierra Leone, Office of National Security (ONS), Sierra Leone Association of Journalists (SLAJ), and the Human Rights Commission, Sierra Leone (HRCSL), observed the Bye-Election on polling day and the tallying of results at the NEC Tally Centre at Tower Hill.
6. The Office of National Security (ONS), National Commission for Democracy (NCD) and some Media Houses observed the tallying process at the NEC Data Centre at Tower Hill.

7. Analysis of the Results:

Constituency 107 Western Area Urban District:

- **Seventeen (17)** polling centres results were entered into the result database, representing 100% of all polling centres in the Constituency.
- The voter turnout was **8786** out of a voter register of **34,322**; giving a percentage turnout of **25.6 %**;
- The total number of valid votes cast was **8162**;
- There were **624** invalid votes, representing **25.61 %** of total votes cast.

8. RESULTS OF PARLIAMENTARY BYE-ELECTION IN CONSTITUENCY 107 WESTERN AREA URBAN DISTRICT HELD ON THE 14TH NOVEMBER 2015

District	Constituency	Total Polling Centres	Name of Candidate(s)	Political Party/ Independent	Total Valid Votes	%-age
Western Area Urban	107	17	KALOKOH Saidu	ADP	287	3.52
			KAMARA Alhaji M.	SLPP	2,251	27.58
			KOWA Francis E.	APC	5,482	67.16
			MANSARAY Saidu	PMDC	142	1.74

In exercise, therefore, of the powers conferred on me as the National Returning Officer, by Section 94 Subsection (4) of the Public Elections Act 2012 (Act No. 4 of 2012), I hereby declare **KOWA Francis E.** of the All Peoples Congress Party, who having polled **5,482**, being the highest number of valid votes cast, duly elected Member of Parliament for **Constituency 107** in the Western Area Urban District.

Signed.



Mohamed N'fah-Ali Conteh
Chief Electoral Commissioner/Chairman National
Returning Officer
National Electoral Commission

Dated: this 15th Day of November, 2015