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**I. INTRODUCTION**

The Political Parties Regulation Commission (PPRC) received two complaints dated 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 and 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2025 from Mr. Mohamed Paul Kamara and Mr. Mohamed Kamara respectively (hereinafter referred to as "*the Complainants*") against the leadership of the All Peoples Congress (APC) Party (hereinafter referred to as "*the Respondent*").

By letter dated 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2025, the Commission formally transmitted the complaint bundles to the Respondent through its National Secretariat for response.

Given the similarities in the subject matter of both complaints, the Commission consolidated the matters and conducted joint hearings. Having carefully considered the submissions of the parties, the Commission now delivers its Directives pursuant to its mandate under Section 12(1) and (2) of the Political Parties Act, No. 25 of 2022.

**II. THE HEARINGS**

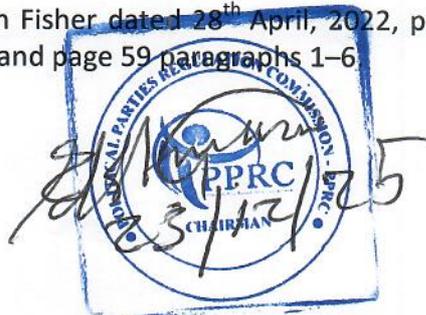
The hearings of the complaints brought by Mr. Mohamed Paul Kamara and Mr. Mohamed Kamara against the leadership of the APC were held jointly, as the complaints were substantially similar, save that the second Complainant raised an additional issue relating to the gazetting of the APC Executive.

**III. SUBMISSIONS OF THE FIRST COMPLAINANT**

In his submission, Mr. Mohamed Paul Kamara contended that:

- The APC Executive was illegal;
- The conduct of the 2023 National Delegate Conference (NDC) was undemocratic; and
- The current Executive was therefore unlawfully constituted.

He relied heavily on the judgment of Justice Adrian Fisher dated 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2022, particularly page 61 paragraph 15, page 56 paragraphs 90(1–6), and page 59 paragraphs 1–6



At this point, the Chairman of the Commission, Emmanuel Koivaya Amara Esq., placed before the hearing the judgment of Justice Hannah Bonnie J delivered on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 in an Ex Parte Motion, which superseded the earlier decision relied upon by the Complainant. Her orders varied the initial orders of Hon. Justice Adrian Fisher J; hence directed that the National Delegate Conference be conducted by the Transitional Interim Independent Election Management Committee (TIEMC).

The First Complainant queried whether a ruling by one Judge could be replaced by another. The Chairman clarified that it could, particularly where a subsequent valid court decision exists. It should be borne in mind that the High Court has equal jurisdiction in spite of where they sit. In other words, a decision of a High Court can be varied by the High Court.

The First Complainant further alleged that the 2023 NDC held in Makeni was not democratic, citing, among others, the cases of Hon. Ibrahim Bundu, whom he alleged contested for National Chairman, and Mr. Raymond Gbekie, whom he alleged was elected Chairman of Kono District in absentia.

In response, the Acting National Chairman of the APC, Ambassador Alhaji Foday Osman Yansaneh, informed the Commission that the matter relating to Mr. Raymond Gbekie had earlier been brought before the Commission and that the individual was removed and replaced accordingly.

Upon inquiry by the Chairman of the PPRC, the First Complainant admitted that he did not exhaust the internal dispute resolution mechanisms of the Party before approaching the Commission.

Consequently, the Chairman directed the First Complainant to formally write to the APC National Executive requesting:

- The Executive List; and
- The Minutes of the 2023 National Delegate Conference.

The Chairman further informed the First Complainant that the Commission recognises the current APC Executive as legitimate.

The First Complainant was directed to write to the Party on or before 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2025, while the Party was directed to respond by 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2025, with a copy to the Commission.

Subsequently, Mrs. Isatu S. Kamara, wife of the First Complainant, made submissions on his behalf, stating that the complaint was premised solely on the judgment of Justice Adrian Fisher, and that they were unaware of the judgment of Justice Hannah Bonnie, which superseded it.

The Commission further informed the complainant that the ruling of Justice Adrian Fisher did not preclude person(s) from contesting in the next National Delegate Conference but rather debar National Officers from holding themselves as members of the executives.



In view of this clarification, the First Complainant formally withdrew his complaint.

In his concluding remarks, the First Complainant urged the APC Executive to embark on reconciliation efforts to address grievances arising from the 2023 NDC.

#### **IV. FINDINGS (FIRST COMPLAINT)**

The Commission finds as follows:

1. That the First Complainant was not aware of the judgment of Justice Hannah Bonnie dated 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2023;
2. That the 2023 National Delegate Conference of the APC was legally conducted; and
3. That the First Complainant disclosed no sustainable cause of action.

#### **V. DIRECTIVE**

The complaint of Mr. Mohamed Paul Kamara is hereby **DISMISSED**.

#### **VI. SUBMISSIONS OF THE SECOND COMPLAINANT**

The Second Complainant, Mr. Mohamed Kamara, contended that:

- The APC Executive was illegal because the Executive List had not been gazetted;
- The PPRC was not present at the 2023 NDC; and
- There were no minutes of the said NDC.

The Chairman clarified that although the Party submitted its Executive List to the Commission, the gazetting process is the responsibility of the Commission, and failure to gazette does not render the Executive illegal.

The Second Complainant was further informed that the Commission was represented at the 2023 NDC and that the then Chairman of the Commission, Hon. Justice Abdulai Masiyambay Bangurah, made a statement at the Convention.

Regarding the issue of minutes, the Second Complainant was advised to formally request same from the APC Secretariat on or before 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2025, while the Respondent was directed to reply by 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2025, copying the Commission.

The Second Complainant further argued that certain Executive members who appeared before the Commission of Inquiry (COI) should not hold office. The Chairman clarified that the COI was a civil proceeding and not criminal in nature, and that appearance before, or compliance with, the COI does not disqualify any person from holding party office.

#### **VII. RESPONSES BY THE RESPONDENT**



Ambassador Alhaji Foday Osman Yansaneh, Acting National Chairman of the APC, thanked the Commission for mediating the issues.

The APC National Secretary General, Mr. Lansana Dumbuya, expressed appreciation for the Commission's time and urged aggrieved members to utilize internal party mechanisms rather than resorting to public disputes.

The Party's Legal Adviser relied on the totality of the Party's responses and the clarifications provided by the Chairman of the Commission.

#### VIII. FINDINGS

1. The Commission finds that:

The Executive List of the APC may not have been gazetted; however, this does not affect the legality or legitimacy of the current Executive.

#### IX. DIRECTIVE

The current Executive of the All Peoples Congress (APC) is hereby declared legal and legitimate.

DIRECTIVES DATED THIS ..... 23<sup>RD</sup> ..... DAY OF ..... DECEMBER ..... 2025

