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Representatives from the Ten Registered Political Parties has on Wednesday 9th October 2013, pledged their commitment and support to the Political Parties Registration Commission's flagship programme "POLITICAL EDUCATION".

Speaking at a consultative Conference held at the Commissions headquarters in Freetown, the Chairman of the PPRC Hon Justice M.E. Tolla Thompson says with Political Education, the people of Sierra Leone will be able to make informed choices during election. This he says will also reduce Political Tension before, during and after election. He appreciated the participation of Political Parties even when they were invited at short notice and says that it is his hope that political parties would be seen and heard before, during and after the 2017/2018 elections and beyond.

Reflecting on the 2012 Elections, Hon Justice M.E. Tolla Thompson says Political Parties made public their manifestos very late. This he says did not give the electorate time to scrutinize them. With Political Education he says, the ills of the past will be addressed.

In his statement, Commissioner Alhaji Muctarr B. Williams says the need to have parties stay is very essential. The disappearance of Political parties after elections he says is a concern for the Commission. He admonished Political Parties to effectively put in place mechanisms to allow their members to know their rights and obligations. The meeting was attended by representatives from the All Peoples Congress (APC), National Democratic Alliance (NDA), Revolutionary United Front Part (RUFP), Peoples Movement for Democratic Change (PMDC), United Democratic Party (UDM), Peace and Liberation Party (PLP), Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), Citizens Democratic Party (CDP), Sierra Leone Peoples Party (SLPP), United National People's Party (UNPP), Campaign for Good Governance (CGG), Sierra Leone Union ON Disability Issues(SLUDI), National Youth Coalition (NYC), All Political Parties Youth Association (APPYA), All Political Parties Women Association (APPWA) and the media.

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