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The Chairman of the Political Parties Registration Commission (PPRC) Hon Justice M.E. Tolla Thompson in a press conference on Wednesday advised political parties and their supporters not to engage in any form of demonstration at this time against the decision of President Dr Ernest Bai Koroma to relieve Alhaji Samuel Sam Sumana of his duty as Vice President. He advised political parties to wait for the outcome of the matter that has been filed in the Supreme Court.

As a Commission charged with the responsibility to monitor and supervise the conduct of Political parties as stipulated in the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone and the Political Parties Act of 2002, the Commission therefore calls on all registered political parties to follow the due process of the law.

He informed the media that the Commission has requested from the Leadership of the All Peoples Congress (APC) the transcript of the report that led to the expulsion of Alhaji Samuel Sam Sumana as a member of the APC.

When asked why the Commission did not mediate in the matter, Hon Justice Thompson said the matter was not brought to the attention of the Commission as stipulated in the Political Parties Act of 2002.

Hon Justice Thompson also advised the media to be cautious in reporting the matter.