



National Electoral Commission (NEC)

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PRESS RELEASE

DECLARATION OF DATE FOR THE CONDUCT OF LOCAL COUNCIL BYE ELECTION IN WARD 257, PORT LOKO DISTRICT COUNCIL, ON SATURDAY, 20TH APRIL 2019.

1. In exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 33 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991(Act No. 6 of 1991); and pursuant to provisions of Sections 69(1) and 70 (1) of the Public Elections Act, 2012 (Act No. 4 of 2004) and Section 10 of the Local Government Act 2004 (Act No. 1 of 2004), the National Electoral Commission makes the following proclamation:
2. **Saturday 20th day of April 2019** is hereby declared as the date for the conduct of Local Council Bye Election in **Ward 257, Port Loko District.**
3. According to a letter from the Chief Administrator of the Port Loko District Council, dated 31st January 2019, the vacancy occurred as a result of the death of Councillor John Sonpeter (RIP) of Ward 257, Mabora Town, Koya Chiefdom, Constituency 072, Port Loko District; whose death took place on Saturday 26th January 2019. May the soul of the departed rest in perfect peace (RIP).
4. Nomination of Candidates for the said Local Council Bye Election shall take place on Wednesday, 20th- Thursday, 21st March 2019 at the NEC District Office, 75 Lungi Road, Port Loko District.
5. In accordance with Statutory Instrument No. 13 of 2012, the candidates's nomination fee for the said Local Council Bye Election is **ONE MILLION LEONES ONLY(Le. 1,000,000.00)** per Candidate,

payable to the District Returning Officer at the above mentioned address.

6. Qualifications and disqualifications of Councillors are found in Section 6 of the aforementioned Local Government Act, 2004.
7. Other details for the nomination and conduct of the said bye election shall be published by the National Electoral Commission in due course.

Dated this 8th day of February, 2019.



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