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COMMERCIAL BIKE RIDERS ATTACK SLRSA HEADQUARTERS

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A group of riotous commercial Motor Bike Riders on Thursday 22nd April 2021, violently entered the Headquarters of the Sierra Leone Road Safety Authority, Kissy Road in Freetown, damaging the ultra-modern Customer Care Center of the Authority and took away some apprehended motor bikes which were in the custody of the Authority. The group also attacked and damaged the Authority's outlet along the Lumley Beach Road.

During the rampage that was characterized by throwing of missiles, several personnel of the Authority were seriously injured.

This action came a day after the launching of a successful joint operation conducted by both the Sierra Leone Road Safety Authority and the Sierra Leone Police to decongest the Central Business District (CBD). The operation which resulted in arresting a good number of commercial motorbikes was widely applauded by the general public.

Meanwhile, personnel from the Operational Support Division (OSD) of the Sierra Leone Police have taken full control of the situation and several arrests have been made.

Details of the damage caused by these well-coordinated rioters would be made public later after proper assessment.

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