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Congratulations on the Development and Approval in Cabinet of the GEWE Bill

The 50/50/Group (Sierra Leone) congratulates His Excellency Rtd, Brigadier Maada Bio and the Minister of Gender and Children's Affairs, Madam Manty Tarawalli for the review and approval by Cabinet of the Gender Empowerment Bill 2021. This is a first and important step towards the consideration of the Bill in parliament.

The passage of the Gender Empowerment Bill has long been an urgent request for the women of Sierra Leone and one of the most important areas of advocacy for many women's organisations. We commend the Minister for her relentless efforts and all organisations and individuals who have over the years contributed to getting us to this point. We look forward to reviewing the bill and seeing how it captures all the requests that women have long made. We appeal to parliament for their support when the Bill reaches the House and ensure its prompt passing.

We look forward to a better and brighter future in Sierra Leone where 50% representation of women in leadership and in all areas of life will not be a dream but a reality.

As always, please count on our highest support in pushing forward the women's, youth & persons with disability agendas that will contribute to our collective goal of moving Sierra Leone forward.

Haja Alimattu Abdullah

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The Fifty Fifty Group seeks to increase the level of female participation in political and public life and ensure equivalence in the local councils, parliament, cabinet and other decision-making institutions of the State and to provide leadership training and literacy classes for women throughout the country. For further details contact the Fifty-Fifty Group Headquarters 50 OAU Drive, Tower Hill or the President, Haja Alimattu Abdullah; 076609235.