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NEW RANKING STRUCTURE FOR THE SIERRA LEONE POLICE 2021

The Ministry of Internal Affairs wishes to inform the general public and Security Sector Institutions that the Police Council has approved the revised ranking structure for the Sierra Leone Police comprising seventeen (17) ranks, from the Inspector General of Police to Recruits as follows:

	Rank	Acronym	Badges
1	Inspector General of Police	IGP	
2	Deputy Inspector General of Police	DIG	
3	Assistant Inspector General of Police	AIGP	
4	Commissioner of Police	CP	
5	Assistant Commissioner of Police	ACP	
6	Chief Superintendent of Police	CSP	
7	Superintendent of Police	SUPT	
8	Deputy Superintendent of Police	DSP	
9	Assistant Superintendent of Police	ASP	
10	Cadet Assistant Superintendent of Police	Cadet ASP	
11	Chief Inspector of Police	CI	
12	Inspector of Police	INSP	
13	Sub Inspector of Police	SI	
14	Sergeant Major	SM	
15	Sergeant	SGT	
16	Corporal	CPL	
17	Constable	CONS	NIL



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The objectives for introducing the new ranking structure include:

- It will ensure proper succession planning within the Sierra Leone Police Force;
- Capacitation of the police force to manage the span of control and align the chain of command, enhancing command and control, instill sense of discipline and improve responsibilities of service delivery;
- Identification of gaps within the super structure and filling of vacant posts, as well as enhancing effective implementation of promotion and transfer policies;
- The Human Resource Directorate can easily scan the organization and advise management on the need for recruitment and the required vacancies and strength;
- The proposed ranking structure will provide for gradual acquisition of knowledge and expertise over time which will bolster personnel professionalism and confidence which in turn will increase productivity.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL FUTURE PROMOTIONS WILL REFLECT THE NEW RANKING STRUCTURE.

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