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**PUBLIC STATEMENT ON ENTRY INTO EFFECT OF NEW CONSTITUTION
OF THE APC**

Fellow Comrades of the All Peoples Congress (APC) and Members of the general public, today the 25th of March 2022 marks an important day in the history of the APC. We are transitioning into a new legal regime. The 1995 Constitution of the Party has been repealed and replaced by a New Constitution adopted on the 19th of September 2021. By ruling of the Political Parties Registration Commission (PPRC), this New Constitution takes effect from today the 25th of March 2022.

This Constitution is a culmination of all our efforts that started way back in 2002 and more recently based on the recommendation of the 9 - Man Committee set up after the 2018 Presidential Elections. We thank everyone for their patience and effort through this process and reserve special thanks and appreciation for the members of the Constitution Review Committee (CRC) for producing this document.

By virtue of the provisions of Article 82 (b) and (c) of the New Constitution, "the existing Party leadership, including but not limited to, the Chairman and Leader, the Deputy National Chairman and Leader, the National Secretary General and all other National Officers, the members of National Advisory Committee (NAC), the National Executive Committee, the Regional and Diaspora Executives, the District Executives, the Constituency Executives, the National Executive of the Women's Congress, the National Executive of the Youth League and all other constitutionally established executives", shall continue to have effect and remain in place after the entry

into force of this Constitution until the first elections and conventions are conducted.

In accordance with Article 82 (f), a 25 Man Transitional Interim Independent Elections Management Committee (TIEMC) will soon be set up and it shall be their responsibility to oversee and conduct the first set of elections within the Party starting from the Ward level and ending with the election of the National Officers at the National Delegates Conference. The members of this Committee shall not contest for any position at the National Delegates Conference and all other Party conventions or elections preceding it.

We are reminded that the Party is still under an injunction slammed by the High Court of Sierra Leone and the dates for the holding of the conventions/elections are dependent on when the High Court delivers final judgment and lift the prohibitive order on us. We humbly call on the Court to expedite this as the New Constitution is now effective and National Elections and the processes leading up to them are fast approaching.

The Party will soon announce a date for the formal presentation of the New Constitution to its general membership.

The struggle continues until final victory.

Signed:

 25/03/22
..... All People's Congress (APC)

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