

# SIERRA LEONE PETROLEUM DEALERS & TRANSPORTERS UNION(SLPDTU)

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## PRESS RELEASE

The **SIERRA LEONE PETROLEUM DEALERS AND TRANSPORTERS UNION** wishes to inform its membership and the general public that the Union Executive held fruitful discussions with the Government at a meeting convened at the **Ministry of Trade and Industry**. In attendance at the meeting were the Executive Chairman of the Petroleum Regulatory Agency, Ministerial and Permanent Secretary representations from the Ministry of Trade and Industry and the Ministry of Finance.

**The Union was assured that Government has noted, and is working at resolving in due course**, all of the concerns raised by it during the meeting. Whilst further negotiations will continue to be pursued, Government has committed in the interim to do the following:

- Increase Dealers' Margin and Transporter's' Tariff by Le25.00 each, applicable retrospective to the recent fuel pump price increase.
- Assured the public that the **rumoured price increase to Le 18,000 is untrue** and that Government has no plans to increase fuel price in the immediate future.



- Ensure a **representative of the Union is present** when discussing future fuel pump price revisions.
- Engage other key stakeholders considered relevant in the resolving of the concerns.
- Convince the **OMCs to ensure operations at their depots are extended to weekends and late-nights** if the need arises.

In light of the above actions and the commitments by Government to address the issues raised at the meeting, the **Union is asking its membership to immediately resume its normal buying, transportation of petroleum products and the countrywide reselling** of such at filling stations, whilst negotiations between the Union and Government are being progressed with.

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