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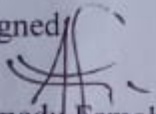
PRESS RELEASE

**ALLEGATIONS OF DEGRADING TREATMENT OF ALHAJI AMADU
BAH COMMONLY CALLED LAJ**

The Independent Police Complaints Board (IPCB) Sierra Leone is concerned by the media reports and press releases from some institutions that the Sierra Leone Police (SLP) has subjected a suspect – Alhaji Amadu Bah commonly called LAJ to inhumane treatments and also refused him access to his family and legal team since his arrest on Sunday 12th June, 2022.

The IPCB therefore wishes it to be known that it has commenced investigation into the said allegations. This is in pursuance of Section 3 (1) (d & g) of the *Independent Police Complaints Board Regulations, 2013*, which provide for an investigation into “incidents of injuries, assault or wounding caused by a police officer”, and “any matter or incident which it thinks the action or inaction of the police is likely to impact significantly on the confidence of the people in the police” respectively.

The public would be kept fully informed of developments as and when they do occur.

Signed

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