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## DISCLAIMER

The attention of the Sierra Leone Medical and Dental Association (SLMDA) has been drawn to a news making rounds on social media claiming that the SLMDA has come to an agreement with the Government of Sierra Leone through the Ministry of health and sanitation concerning the two key demands (regarding the recent deduction of the monthly take home salary and the issue about the weekly 45L of fuel which is statutory) made during our press conference that was held on the 7th July 2022. Disclaimer: The SLMDA would want the general public to note that these claims are NOT TRUE.

However, the SLMDA Executives and the executives of other allied health professionals (nurses and pharmacists) were summoned to an emergency meeting on the 28/07/22 by the Honorable Minister of Health and Sanitation. In this meeting, a document from the Ministry of Finance (signed by the Financial Secretary) was presented to the various representatives of the different associations.

Moreover, the correspondent presented via Ministry of Finance did not adequately address our concerns as stated in our previous press releases. In addition, there are several lacunae/gaps with ambiguities for so many unanswered questions and concerns which we are pondering about going forward.

Therefore, we are currently doing follow-up with the Ministry of Health and Sanitation to give answers to these unanswered questions as we are by all means avoiding a repeat of the same problem in the near future.

Notwithstanding, our strike action commencing at mid-night on the 1st of August 2022

still stands until our concerns are addre

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