A.F.R.C. Decree No. 7
Sierra Leone

The Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991
(Amendment) Decree, 1997

Being a Decree to amend the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991
and to provide for other related matters.

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of the Proclamation entitled "Administration of Sierra Leone (Armed Forces Revolutionary Council) Proclamation, 1997", published in the Gazette on the 28th day of May, 1997, the Armed Forces Revolutionary Council hereby makes and issues the following Decree: —

1. Section 156 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991 is hereby repealed and replaced by the following new Section: —

"Establishment of Police Council."

156. (1) There is hereby established a body to be known as The Police Council which shall consist of—

(i) the Chief Secretary of State;

(ii) the Secretary of State, Department of Internal Affairs;

(iii) the Inspector-General of Police;

(iv) the Deputy Inspector-General of Police;

(v) the Chairman of the Public Service Commission;

(vi) a Member of the Sierra Leone Bar Association who shall be a legal practitioner of not less than ten (10) years standing as a practising Barrister, and shall be nominated by that body and appointed by the Chairman, Armed Forces Revolutionary Council;

(vii) two other members appointed by the Chairman, Armed Forces Revolutionary Council, subject to the approval of the Armed Forces Revolutionary Council.
(2) Every member of the Police Council shall, before assuming the function of his office, take and subscribe the oath as set out in the Third Schedule to the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991.

(3) The Permanent Secretary of the Department responsible for matters relating to the Police shall be Secretary to the Council.”

2. Section 167 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991 is hereby repealed and replaced by the following new Section:

Establishment of Defence Council

Section 167. (1) There is hereby established a body to be known as the Defence Council which shall consist of—

(i) the Chairman, Armed Forces Revolutionary Council, who shall be Chairman;

(ii) the Chief Secretary of State;

(iii) the Under Secretary of State for Defence;

(iv) the Chief of Defence Staff;

(v) the Commanders of the Armed Forces (Army, Navy and Air Force) and their Deputies;

(vi) the Secretary of State, Internal Affairs;

(vii) two other persons as the Chairman, Armed Forces Revolutionary Council, shall from time to time appoint.

(2) Every member of the Defence Council shall, before assuming the function of his office, take and subscribe the oath as set out in the Third Schedule to the Constitution of Sierra Leone, 1991.
(3) The Permanent Secretary of the Department of Defence shall be the Secretary to the Council.

Made and Issued this 3rd day of December, 1997.

MAJOR JOHNNY PAUL KOROMA
Chairman,
Armed Forces Revolutionary Council.