



**His Excellency Julius Maada Bio**

President of State of the Republic of Sierra Leone  
State House  
Freetown, Sierra Leone

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Your Excellency

**Temporary Relocation of Former President to Abuja**

I refer to the mission to Freetown on 23 December of the high-level ECOWAS delegation led by His Excellency President Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, President of the Republic of Ghana, and His Excellency Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal.

I am pleased to inform Your Excellency that as part of the agreement reached during the mission, the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria has offered to host His Excellency Ernest Bai Koroma, Former President of Sierra Leone, in Abuja on a temporary basis. The former President has accepted the offer to be hosted in Nigeria.

Subject to your approval, arrangements will be made to fly Former President Koroma out of Freetown on Thursday 4 January 2024. He will be accompanied by his office manager and personal assistant.

In addition to seeking Your Excellency's approval for the departure from Sierra Leone of the Former President on or around the date indicated above, I would like to seek your confirmation that once President Koroma leaves Sierra Leone, the following arrangements (as agreed during the mission) will be put in place:

1. Government of Sierra Leone will discontinue all legal and administrative procedures against him;
2. The Government of Sierra Leone will also continue to disburse to him his benefits as former President;
3. The Government of Sierra Leone will secure his residences in the various locations in Sierra Leone;
4. The Government of Sierra Leone will consider refunding medical and travel expenses he has incurred.



While looking forward to Your Excellency's favourable response, I take this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

**Omar Alieu Touray, Ph.D.**  
President of the Commission

CC: H.E. President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, Chairman of the Authority  
H.E. President Nana Akufo-Ado  
H.E. President Macky Sall