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**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

**CONFIRMATION OF SPECIAL NATURALISATION PROTOCOL UNDER  
SECTION 27(a) OF THE SIERRA LEONE CITIZENSHIP ACT, 1973 (AS  
AMENDED)**

This is to confirm that the Sierra Leone Immigration Department (SLID), under the authority of the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone, administers a Special Naturalisation Protocol sanctioned in accordance with Section 27(a) of the Sierra Leone Citizenship Act, 1973 (Act No. 4 of 1973), as amended.

This Protocol serves as an enabling legal instrument for the conferment of citizenship to qualified foreign nationals whose contributions are aligned with the Government's objective of stimulating Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), sustainable development, and socio-economic growth in Sierra Leone.

Pending formal adjustments to the Citizenship Act by Parliament, this framework remains the operative legal basis for such grants of citizenship. Specifically, Section 27(a) of the Sierra Leone Citizenship Act, 1973 (paraphrased for clarity) provides that:

"Nothing in this Act shall affect the right of the President to cause any person to be registered as a citizen of Sierra Leone."

Accordingly, under this provision, the President may, at his discretion, confer Sierra Leonean citizenship upon persons who have demonstrated a clear commitment to advancing national interests, particularly through investment, innovation, or strategic partnership and whose naturalization supports the Government's broader vision of positioning Sierra Leone as a destination of choice for credible international investors.

The Special Naturalisation Protocol is coordinated through the Office of the President in collaboration with the Sierra Leone Immigration Department and other relevant agencies to ensure due diligence, transparency, and alignment with national policy priorities.

This confirmation is issued for the purpose of clarity and reference within the context of legitimate administrative and investment facilitation processes related to the Special Naturalisation Program currently in operation.



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