

IN THE FIRST SESSION OF THE SEVENTH PARLIAMENT OF THE FOURTH REPUBLIC OF GHANA

REPORT OF LEADERSHIP ON THE FORMULA FOR COMPOSITION OF MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES, PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS AND OTHER PARLIAMENTARY GROUPS AND ASSOCIATIONS AND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE OF SELECTION

INTRODUCTION

The Leadership of this House, pursuant to Standing Orders 151 and 154 of Parliament, met yesterday, Monday, the 9th of January, 2017 to determine a formula for composition of the membership of Parliamentary delegations and other parliamentary groups, parliamentary associations and the membership of the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Speaker, the Seventh Parliament of the Fourth Republic having commenced, it is imperative to compose membership of committees, parliamentary groupings and association for the effective discharge of the mandate of Parliament nationally and at the international level.

As provided in Standing Order 153, every Member of Parliament shall be appointed to at least one of the Standing Committees established by the House.

MEMBERSHIP OF SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

Membership of the Seventh Parliament is composed as follows: Majority (NPP) – 169; Minority (NDC) – 106. This ratio of 169:106 in the 275-Member Parliament would be a guide in the composition of Committees, delegations, groups and associations in the House for the time being. Furthermore, Article 103(5) of the 1992 Constitution, reinforced by Order 154, requires the composition of the Committees to reflect the different shades of opinion in Parliament. Accordingly, the composition of these Committees, groups, associations and delegations take into consideration regional and gender balance among other relevant issues.

RECOMMENDATION

Leadership, after thorough deliberations, accordingly recommends as follows:

1. That in accordance with established practice and having regard to Order 154, the composition of the Committees and other parliamentary delegations, groupings, associations and the Committee of Selection be based on the ratio 169:106 for the Majority and Minority respectively.
2. That considering the urgency of the work of the Committee of Selection in the facilitation of business of the House and that of Government, Leadership had a meeting yesterday and in consultation with the Rt. Hon.

Speaker, constituted the Committee of Selection in the manner described beneath.

3. That per the agreed ratio of 169:106, the nineteen membership of the Committee of Selection, excluding the chairperson, works out to twelve (12) Members from the Majority Caucus and seven (7) Members from the Minority Caucus.
4. It is accordingly recommended that the twenty (20)-member Committee of Selection be composed of twelve (12) Members of the Majority Caucus and seven (7) Members of the Minority Caucus with the Rt. Hon. Speaker as the Chairman.
5. That the Committee of Selection be composed as follows:
 - i. Rt. Hon. Prof. Michael Aaron Oquaye - Chairman
 - ii. Hon. Osei Kyei-Mensah-Bonsu - Member
 - iii. Hon. Sara Adwoa Sarfo (Ms) - Member
 - iv. Hon. Kwasi Ameyaw-Cheremeh - Member
 - v. Hon. Matthew Nyindam - Member
 - vi. Hon. Moses Anim - Member
 - vii. Hon. Dominic Bingab Aduna Nitiwul - Member
 - viii. Hon. Ambrose Dery - Member
 - ix. Hon. Ignatius Baffour-Awuah - Member
 - x. Hon. Daniel Botwe - Member
 - xi. Hon. Ama Pomaa Andoh (Mrs) - Member
 - xii. Hon. Barbara Oteng-Gyasi - Member
 - xiii. Hon. Cynthia Mamle Morrison - Member
 - xiv. Hon. Haruna Iddrisu - Member
 - xv. Hon. James Klutse Avedzi - Member
 - xvi. Hon. Mohammed-Mubarak (Alhaji) Muntaka - Member
 - xvii. Hon. Collins Dauda - Member
 - xviii. Hon. Emmanuel Armah-Kofi Buah - Member
 - xix. Hon. Comfort Doyoe Cudjoe Ghansah (Mrs) - Member
 - xx. Hon. Ebenezer Okletey Terlabi - Member

CONCLUSION

Leadership accordingly recommends for the approval of the House, the proposed formula, based on the agreed ratio of 169:106 or 61:39, for the Composition of Membership of Committees, Parliamentary Delegations and other Parliamentary Groups and Associations and the membership of the Committee of Selection.

Leadership further recommends that the Membership of the Committee of Selection as composed above be approved by the House.

Respectfully submitted.



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Hon. Osei Kyei-Mensah-Bonsu
Majority Leader

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Hon. Haruna Iddrisu
Minority Leader

10TH JANUARY 2017

