

**IN THE FIRST SESSION OF THE SECOND PARLIAMENT
OF THE FOURTH REPUBLIC OF GHANA**

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

**FOURTH REPORT ON RETAINED MINISTERS
AND DEPUTY MINISTERS**

The Appointments Committee of Parliament constituted under Article 103 of the Constitution to consider nominations for Ministerial appointments made under Articles 78 and 79 of the Constitution for prior approval of Parliament at its maiden sitting to consider evolving appropriate procedure for the consideration of Presidential nominations for Ministerial appointments made some significant recommendations in its First Report to this House.

On the basis of the acceptance of its First Report of February 13, 1997 and the consequential passage of a resolution to confirm the Appointments Committee's recommendations, your Committee proceeded to consider the President's list of retained Ministers. The Ministers and Deputy Ministers listed for retention are:

MINISTERS OF STATE

DATE OF APPROVAL

1.	Alhaji Mahama Iddrisu	-	25/2/93
2.	Dr. Obed Yao Asamoah	-	9/3/93
3.	Mr. Daniel Ohene Agyekum	-	12/3/93
4.	Mr D. S. Boateng	-	10/3/93
5.	Dr. John Abu (MP)	-	10/3/93
6.	Dr Christina Amoako-Nuama	-	3/3/93
7.	Mr Ebenezer Kobina Fosu (MP)	-	17/3/93

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8.	Mr Enoch Teye Mensah (MP)	-	31/3/93
9.	Mr Isaac Adjei-Mensah (MP)	-	17/3/93
10.	Ms Patience Addow	-	31/10/96
11.	Alhaji Amidu Sulemana	-	10/3/93

DEPUTY MINISTERS

DATE OF APPROVAL

1.	Mr Samuel Nuamah-Donkor	-	22/3/96
2.	Mr Owuraku-Amofa	-	16/3/94
3.	Mr Victor Selormey	-	6/4/93
4.	Mr Kwasi Aboagye	-	14/4/93
5.	Mr S. P. Adamu (MP)	-	6/4/93
6.	Mr Jehu Appiah	-	7/4/93
7.	Mrs Ama Benyiwa-Doe (MP)	-	6/4/93
8.	Mr Austin Gamey (MP)	-	22/3/96

A search conducted through the records of Parliament has disclosed that these Ministers and Deputy Ministers were at one time or the other approved by Parliament. The dates of approval are attached to their names. (Reference - official Report of Parliament i.e. Hanzard)

The decision to retain the above listed Ministers of State and Deputy Ministers was referred to the Appointments Committee in three letters by the President, dated 20th and 21st February 1997; and 4th March, 1997.

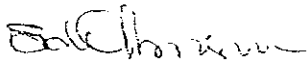
Your Committee finds that the said Ministers and Deputy Ministers are covered by the resolution under reference and that they stand approved in terms of the said resolution. Having earlier dealt with the issue of the status of retained Ministers, your Committee is of the view that this is a proper case in respect of which debate shall not be admitted.

This opinion is in consonance with the provisions of Standing Order Number 93(3) which prohibits the reconsideration of any specific Question upon which the House has come to a conclusion.

It may be necessary to inform the House that the Deputy Ministers referred to in this Report have their substantive Ministers in Office. This satisfies the intendment of Article 79(1) of the Constitution.



HON KENNETH DZIRASAH
FIRST DEPUTY SPEAKER AND
CHAIRMAN, APPOINTMENTS
COMMITTEE



MR J. S. E. deGRAFT-JOHNSON
CLERK TO THE COMMITTEE

10TH MARCH 1997