



REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA

FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC
2022 LEGISLATIVE YEAR
FIRST ORDINARY SESSION
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2022

The Assembly convened *forty-seven* minutes after *eleven o'clock* in the morning. Prayers were read, and the Hon. Speaker, Mariam Jack Denton, took the Chair.

ORDER PAPER

1. PRAYERS

2. Correction and Approval of Record of Votes and Proceedings of the National Assembly Sitting of Monday 21st February, 2022.

3. MOTIONS

- (i) Be it RESOLVED that this august Assembly do consider and ratify the Loan Agreement between the Republic of The Gambia and Islamic Development Bank regarding the Widening of the Bertil Harding Highway Project The Gambia, amounting to USD14, 000, 000.

(Hon. Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs)

- (ii) Be it RESOLVED that this august Assembly do consider and ratify the Loan Agreement between the Republic of The Gambia and the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa regarding the Widening of the Bertil Harding Highway Project, amounting to USD20, 000, 000.

(Hon. Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs)

The following Honourable Members were **present**:

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| 1. Hon. Mariam Jack Denton | - | Speaker |
| 2. Hon. Momodou LK Sanneh | - | Deputy Speaker |
| 3. Hon. Kebba K. Barrow | - | Majority Leader/Kombo South |
| 4. Hon. Sunkary Badjie | - | Foni Brefet |
| 5. Hon. Alhagie S. Darbo | - | Brikama North |


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6.	Hon. Kaddy Camara	-	Foni Bondali
7.	Hon. Saikou Marong	-	Latrikunda Sabiji
8.	Hon. Sainey Touray	-	Jarra East
9.	Hon. Saikouba Jarju	-	Busumbala
10.	Hon. Alhagie Drammeh	-	Jeshwang
11.	Hon. Bakary Camara	-	Kiang Central
12.	Hon. Alhagi S.B Sillah	-	Niani
13.	Hon. Alhagie H. Sowe	-	Jimara
14.	Hon. Baba Galleh Jallow	-	Sanimentereng
15.	Hon. Assan Touray	-	Bakau
16.	Hon. Alhagie Mbow	-	Upper Saloum
17.	Hon. Salifu Jawo	-	Jokadu
18.	Hon. Fatou K. Jawara	-	Tallinding Kunjang
19.	Hon. Sulayman Saho	-	Central Baddibu
20.	Hon. Dembo KM Camara	-	Illiassa
21.	Hon. Omar Darboe	-	Upper Niumi
22.	Hon. Lamin J. Sanneh	-	Brikama South
23.	Hon. Samba Jallow	-	Minority Leader/Niamina Dankunku
24.	Hon. Halifa Sallah	-	Serrekunda
25.	Hon. Suwaibou Touray	-	Wuli East
26.	Hon. Musa Amul Nyassi	-	Foni Kansala
27.	Hon. Ousman Sillah	-	Banjul North
28.	Hon. Majanko Samusa	-	Nominated Member
29.	Hon. Alhagie Darboe	-	Lower Fulladu West
30.	Hon. Kebba Jallow	-	Jarra Central
31.	Hon. Ousman Touray	-	Sabach Sanjal
32.	Hon. Momodou Camara	-	Foni Bintang Karanai
33.	Hon. Mahtarr M. Jeng	-	Lower Niumi
34.	Hon. Sidia S. Jatta	-	Wuli West
35.	Hon. Alfusainey Ceesay	-	Sami
36.	Hon. Alagie Jawara	-	Lower Baddibu


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37. Hon. Kajali Fofana	-	Jarra West
38. Hon. Muhammed Ndow	-	Banjul Central
39. Hon. Amadou Camara	-	Nianija
40. Hon. Momodou S. Ceesay	-	Janjanbureh
41. Hon. Abdoulie Ceesay	-	Old Yundum
42. Hon. Ndey Yassin Secka	-	Nominated Member

The following Honorable Members were **absent with permission**:

43. Hon. Muhammed Mahanera	-	Sandu
44. Hon. Lamin F.M Conta	-	Kombo East
45. Hon. Fatoumatta Njai	-	Banjul South
46. Hon. Ya Kumba Jaiteh	-	Nominated Member
47. Hon. Madi MK Ceesay	-	Serrekunda West
48. Hon. Alhaji Sankung Jammeh	-	Foni Jarrol
49. Hon. Foday N.M Drammeh	-	Tumana
50. Hon. Omar Ceesay	-	Niamina East
51. Hon. Birom JS Sowe	-	Niamina West
52. Hon. Bakary Njie	-	Bundunka Kunda
53. Hon. Yaya Gassama	-	Kiang East
54. Hon. Muhamed Magassy	-	Basse
55. Hon. Billay G. Tunkara	-	Kantora
56. Hon. Dawda Kawsu Jawara	-	Upper Fulladu West
57. Hon. Sainey Jawara	-	Lower Saloum

Vacancy:

58. Kiang West [Deceased]

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The Hon. Member for Jarra West moved the motion for the Assembly to consider and approve the Record of Votes and Proceedings of the National Assembly sitting of Monday 21st February, 2022.

The Hon. Nominated Member, Ndey Yassin Secka, seconded the motion.

The Record of Votes and Proceedings of Monday 21st February, 2022, as corrected, was approved as the true record of proceedings.

2. MOTIONS

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MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE (ORDER 53)

The Hon. Member for Banjul North moved a motion for the Assembly to jointly consider the motions in the Order Paper.



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The Hon. Member for Sabach Sanjal seconded the motion.

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs jointly moved the motions on the Order Paper for consideration and ratification by the Assembly.

The Hon. Member for Sami seconded the FIRST MOTION and the Hon. Member for Jarra Central seconded the SECOND MOTION.

Question put and agreed to

Question put, that the august Assembly do consider the two motions.

The Assembly was *NOT divided*. The Assembly agreed to consider the two motions.

MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE (Order 53(e))

The Hon. Member for Sami moved a motion for the Assembly to refer the Agreements so tabled to the Committee on the Monitoring of Government Projects.

The Hon. Member for Kiang Central seconded the motion.

Question put and agreed to

Question put, that the august Assembly do agree to the motion.

The Noes have it. *The motion was not carried.*

ENSUING DEBATE ON THE MOTIONS

The Hon. Speaker opened the floor, and the following Hon. Members took part in the debate.

1. Hon. Saikou Marong - Latrikunda Sabiji


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2.	Hon. Salifu Jawo	-	Jokadu
3.	Hon. Amadou Camara	-	Nianija
4.	Hon. Abdoulie Ceesay	-	Old Yundum
5.	Hon. Mahtarr M. Jeng	-	Lower Niuni
6.	Hon. Momodou LK Sanneh	-	Deputy Speaker
7.	Hon. Sunkary Badjie	-	Foni Berefet
8.	Hon. Ousman Sillah	-	Banjul North
9.	Hon. Alhagie Drammeh	-	Jeshwang
10.	Hon. Halifa Sallah	-	Serrekunda
11.	Hon. Sidia S. Jatta	-	Wuli West
12.	Hon. Kebba Jallow	-	Jarra Central
13.	Hon. Ousman Touray	-	Sabach Sanjal
14.	Hon. Sainey Touray	-	Jarra East
15.	Hon. Momodou S. Ceesay	-	Janjanbureh
16.	Hon. Dembo KM Camara	-	Illiassa
17.	Hon. Saikouba Jarju	-	Busumbala
18.	Hon. Suwaibou Touray	-	Wuli East
19.	Hon. Alhagie Mbow	-	Upper Saloum

*At **three** o'clock in the afternoon,* the Hon. Deputy Speaker, Momodou LK Sanneh,
took the Chair.

20.	Hon. Alhagie S. Darbo	-	Brikama North
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*At **eighteen** minutes after **three** o'clock in the afternoon,* the Hon. Speaker, Mariam
Jack Denton, took the Chair.

21.	Hon. Sulayman Saho	-	Central Baddibu
22.	Hon. Ndey Yassin Secka	-	Nominated Member



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At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs responded to issues raised and wound-up the debate.

Question put, and accordingly agreed to on the FIRST MOTION.

Question put, that this Assembly do ratify the *‘Loan Agreement between the Republic of The Gambia and Islamic Development Bank regarding the Widening of the Bertil Harding Highway Project, The Gambia, amounting to USD 14, 000, 000’*

The Assembly was **NOT** divided. The Loan Agreement was ratified.

Question put, and accordingly agreed to on the SECOND MOTION.

Question put, that this Assembly do ratify the *“Loan Agreement between the Republic of The Gambia and the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa regarding the Widening of the Bertil Harding Highway Project, amounting to USD 20, 000, 000”*.

The Assembly was **NOT** divided. The Loan Agreement was ratified.

ADJOURNMENT

At *two* minutes after *four* o’clock in the afternoon, the Assembly was adjourned *until Wednesday 23rd February 2022 at 10:00 am prompt*.