



THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

6TH LEGISLATURE IN THE 2ND REPUBLIC

2026 LEGISLATIVE YEAR
SECOND ORDINARY SESSION

RECORD OF VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Sitting of Monday 8th September, 2026.

The Assembly convened at forty-five minutes after eleven o'clock in the morning (11:45 am). Prayers were read, and the Hon. Speaker, Fabakary Tombong Jatta, took the Chair.

ORDER PAPER

Monday, 7th
September, 2026
@ 10: 00 a.m.

1. P R A Y E R S

2. COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

3. Correction and Approval of Record of the Votes and Proceedings of the sitting of **Wednesday, 1st July, 2026.**

4. Minister's Reply – Order 100

Minister's Reply to the Report of the Public Enterprises Committee on the consolidated Report on NAWEC's GERMP, ECOREAP, and GEAP Projects; the SSHFC Special Audit; and the GPA follow-up performance Audit Report on Cargo Handling.

(By the Minister for Petroleum & Energy, Hon. Nani Juwara, and the Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure, Hon. Ebrima Sillah)

[Allotted time, 1 hour] – SO 61(2)

5. BILLS

I. FIRST READING | ORDER 65

First Reading of the Competition and Consumer Protection Bill, 2026
(By Minister for Trade, Industry, Regional Integration & Employment Hon. Mod. K Ceesay)

II. THIRD READING | ORDER 73 & 75

Third Reading of the Labour (Amendment) Bill, 2026
(By Minister for Trade, Industry, Regional Integration & Employment, Hon. Mod K. Ceesay)

6. MOTION

I. BE IT RESOLVED that this august Assembly do consider and ratify the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Copyright Treaty (WCT) (1996).

(By the Attorney General & Minister for Justice, Hon. Dawda A. Jallow)

[Allotted time, 1 hour] – SO 61(2)

II. BE IT RESOLVED that this august Assembly do consider and ratify the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) Kampala Protocol on Voluntary Registration of Copyright and Related Rights.

(By the Attorney General & Minister for Justice, Hon. Dawda A. Jallow)

[Allotted time, 1 hour] – SO 61(2)

III. BE IT RESOLVED that this august Assembly do consider and ratify the African Union Convention on Cross-Border Cooperation (Niamey Convention, 2014)

(By the Minister for Lands, Regional Government & Religious Affairs, Hon. Hamat MK. Bah)

[Allotted time, 1 hour] – SO 61(2)

ATTENDANCE

The following Hon. Members were *present*:

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| 1. Hon. Fabakary Tombong Jatta | - | Speaker |
| 2. Hon. Seedy SK Njie | - | Deputy Speaker |
| 3. Hon. Billay G. Tunkara | - | Kantora (Majority Leader) |

4.	Hon. Alhagie S. Darbo	-	Brikama North (Minority Leader)
5.	Hon. Abdoulie Ceesay	-	Old Yundum (Deputy Majority Leader)
6.	Hon. Omar Darboe	-	Upper Niumi (Majority Chief Whip)
7.	Hon. Sulayman Saho	-	Central Baddibu (Minority Chief Whip)
8.	Hon. Sheriff S. Sarr	-	Jeshwang
9.	Hon. Modou Lamin B. Bah	-	Banjul North
10.	Hon. Abdoulie Njai	-	Banjul Central
11.	Hon. Haruna Barry	-	Jarra East
12.	Hon. Fatou Cham	-	Sanimentereng
13.	Hon. Kebba Toumanding Sanneh	-	Foni Jarrol
14.	Hon. Almameh Gibba	-	Foni Kansala
15.	Hon. Lamin J. Sanneh	-	Brikama South
16.	Hon. Sankung Dampha	-	Illiassa
17.	Hon. Suwaibou Touray	-	Wuli East
18.	Hon. Samba Jallow	-	Niamina Dankunku
19.	Hon. Essa Conteh	-	Jimara
20.	Hon. Assan Touray	-	Bakau
21.	Hon. Yunusa N. Bah	-	Kiang Central
22.	Hon. Yahya Sanyang	-	Latrikunda Sabiji
23.	Hon. Kebba K. Barrow	-	Kombo South
24.	Hon. Sulayman Jammeh	-	Bundungka Kunda
25.	Hon. Alhagie Mbow	-	Upper Saloum
26.	Hon. Saikou Bah	-	Basse
27.	Hon. Amie Colley	-	Foni Brefet
28.	Hon. Salifu Jawo	-	Jokadu
29.	Hon. Nfally M. Kora	-	Tumana
30.	Hon. Musa Badjie	-	Tallinding Kunjang
31.	Hon. Alfusainey Ceesay	-	Sami
32.	Hon. Amadou Camara	-	Nianija
33.	Hon. Kebba Lang Fofana	-	Nominated Member
34.	Hon. Gibbi Mballow	-	Lower Fulladu West
35.	Hon. Nfamara Sabally	-	Wuli West
36.	Hon. Lamin Ceesay	-	Kiang West
37.	Hon. Abdou Sowe	-	Kombo East
38.	Hon. Dawda Jeng	-	Niamina East
39.	Hon. Bakary K. Badjie	-	Foni Bintang Karanai
40.	Hon. Kebba Jallow	-	Jarra Central
41.	Hon. Pa Dembo Sanneh	-	Foni Bondali
42.	Hon. Birom J.S. Sowe	-	Niamina West
43.	Hon. Bakary Kora	-	Upper Fulladu West
44.	Hon. Musa Cham	-	Serekunda
45.	Hon. Muhamed Kanteh	-	Busumbala
46.	Hon. Omar Jobe	-	Niani
47.	Hon. Fatou K. Jawara	-	Nominated Member

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| 48. Hon. Tamsir Cham | - | Lower Niumi |
| 49. Hon. Maimuna Ceesay | - | Nominated Member |

The following Hon. Members were absent *with permission*:

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| 50. Hon. Madi M.K. Ceesay | - | Serekunda West (Deputy Minority Leader) |
| 51. Hon. Fatoumatta Njai | - | Banjul South |
| 52. Hon. Omar Jammeh | - | Janjanbureh |
| 53. Hon. Yaya Gassama | - | Kiang East |
| 54. Hon. Sainey Jawara | - | Lower Saloum |

The following Hon. Members were absent *without permission*:

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| 55. Hon. Alieu Baldeh | - | Jarra West |
| 56. Hon. Alhagie Babou Ceesay | - | Sabach Sanjal |
| 57. Hon. Ebrima Jaiteh | - | Sandu |
| 58. Hon. Kemo Gassama | - | Lower Baddibu |

1. Communication from the Chair

The Hon. Speaker delivered a statement.

2. Correction and Approval of Record of Votes and Proceedings of the National Assembly sitting of Wednesday, 1st July, 2026.

Hon. Alfusainey Ceesay, Member for Niani, moved a motion for the Assembly to consider and approve the Record of Votes and Proceedings for the sitting of Wednesday 1st July, 2026.

The motion was seconded by Hon. Nominated Member, Maimuna Ceesay.

The Record of Votes and Proceedings, as corrected, was approved.

3. Minister's Reply – Order 100

Minister's Reply to the Report of the Public Enterprises Committee on the consolidated Report on NAWEC's GERMP, ECOREAP, and GEAP Projects; the SSHFC Special Audit; and the GPA follow-up performance Audit Report on Cargo Handling.

(By the Minister for Petroleum & Energy, Hon. Nani Juwara & Minister for Transport, Works & Infrastructure, Hon. Ebrima Sillah)

[Allotted time is 1 hour] – SO 61(2)

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Minister for Petroleum & Energy and the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works & Infrastructure replied to the committee's report.

The following Hon. Members asked questions to the Hon. Ministers regarding their replies:

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| 1. Hon. Suwaibou Touray | - | Wuli East |
| 2. Hon. Alhagie Mbow | - | Upper Saloum |
| 3. Hon. Lamin J Sanneh | - | Brikama South |
| 4. Hon. Fatou Cham | - | Sanimentereng |
| 5. Hon. Sheriff S. Sarr | - | Jeshwang |
| 6. Hon. Bakary Kora | - | Upper Fulladu West |
| 7. Hon. Sulayman Jammeh | - | Bundungka Kunda |
| 8. Hon. Assan Touray | - | Bakau |
| 9. Hon. Abdoulie Njai | - | Banjul Central |
| 10. Hon. Kebba Toumanding Sanneh | - | Foni Jarrol |
| 11. Hon. Alfusainey Ceesay | - | Sami |
| 12. Hon. Almameh Gibba | - | Foni Kansala |
| 13. Hon. Abdoulie Ceesay | - | Old Yundum (Deputy Majority Leader) |

END OF QUESTIONS

4. BILLS

i. FIRST READING | ORDER 65

First Reading of the Competition and Consumer Protection Bill, 2026.

(By Minister for Trade, Industry, Regional Integration & Employment, Hon. Mod. K Ceesay)

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Minister for Trade, Industry, Regional Integration & Employment handed over a copy of the Bill to the Clerk.

The Clerk read aloud the short title of the Bill, and it was accordingly deemed to have been read a **First Time**.

ii. THIRD READING | ORDER 73 & 75

Third Reading of the Labour (Amendment) Bill, 2026.

(By Minister for Trade, Industry, Regional Integration & Employment, Hon. Mod K. Ceesay)

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Minister for Trade, Industry, Regional Integration & Employment moved a motion for the Third Reading of the Labour (Amendment) Bill, 2026.

The motion was seconded by Hon. Billay G. Tunkara, Member for Kantora & Majority Leader.

Question put and agreed to:

The Assembly agreed that the Bill be read a Third Time and passed.

The Clerk read the short title of the Bill, and it ***was deemed to have been read a Third Time and passed!***

5. MOTION

- i. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this august Assembly do consider and ratify the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Copyright Treaty (WCT)(1996)
(By the Attorney General & Minister for Justice, Hon. Dawda A. Jallow)

[Allotted time is 1 hour] – SO 61(2)

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Attorney General & Minister for Justice moved a motion for the Assembly to consider and ratify the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Copyright Treaty (WCT)(1996).

Hon. Alhagie Mbow, Member for Upper Saloum, seconded the motion and participated in the debate.

Question put and accordingly agreed to:

The Assembly agreed to consider the motion.

ENSUING DEBATE

The following Hon. Members participated in the debate on the ***motion***:

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| 1. Hon. Alhagie Mbow | - | Upper Saloum |
| 2. Hon. Suwaibou Touray | - | Wuli East |
| 3. Hon. Billay G. Tunkara | - | Kantora (Majority Leader) |

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Attorney General & Minister for Justice, responded to issues raised and wound up the debate.

Question put and accordingly agreed to:

The Assembly agreed to adopt the motion.

- ii. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this august Assembly do consider and ratify the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) Kampala Protocol on Voluntary Registration of Copyright and Related Rights.
(By the Attorney General & Minister for Justice, Hon. Dawda A. Jallow)

[Allotted time is 1 hour] – SO 61(2)

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Attorney General & Minister for Justice moved a motion for the Assembly to consider and ratify the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) Kampala Protocol on Voluntary Registration of Copyright and Related Rights.

Hon. Billay G Tunkara, Member for Kantora & Majority Leader, seconded the motion and participated in the debate.

Question put and accordingly agreed to:

The Assembly agreed to consider the motion.

ENSUING DEBATE

The following Hon. Members participated in the debate on the ***motion***:

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| 1. Hon. Billay G. Tunkara | - | Kantora (Majority Leader) |
| 2. Hon. Suwaibou Touray | - | Wuli East |
| 3. Hon. Alhagie Mbow | - | Upper Saloum |
| 4. Hon. Sulayman Saho | - | Central Baddibu (Minority Chief Whip) |
| 5. Hon. Fatou Cham | - | Sanimentereng |

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Attorney General & Minister for Justice responded to issues raised and wound up the debate.

Question put and accordingly agreed to:

The Assembly agreed to adopt the motion.

iii. BE IT RESOLVED that this august Assembly do consider and ratify the African Union Convention on Cross-Border Cooperation (Niamey Convention, 2014)

(By the Minister for Lands, Regional Government & Religious Affairs, Hamat MK. Bah)

[Allotted time is 1 hour] – SO 61(2)

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Minister for Lands, Regional Government & Religious Affairs moved a motion for the Assembly to consider and ratify the African Union Convention on Cross-Border Cooperation (Niamey Convention, 2014).

Hon. Alhagie Mbow, Member for Upper Saloum, seconded the motion and participated in the debate.

Question put and accordingly agreed to:

The Assembly agreed to consider the motion.

ENSUING DEBATE

The following Hon. Members participated in the debate on the ***motion***:

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| 1. Hon. Alhagie Mbow | - | Upper Saloum |
| 2. Hon. Bakary K Badjie | - | Foni Bintang Karanai |
| 3. Hon. Suwaibou Touray | - | Wuli East |
| 4. Hon. Alfusainey Ceesay | - | Sami |
| 5. Hon. Sulayman Saho | - | Central Baddibu (Minority Chief Whip) |
| 6. Hon. Bakary Kora | - | Upper Fulladu West |
| 7. Hon. Billay G. Tunkara | - | Kantora (Majority Leader) |
| 8. Hon. Fatou Cham | - | Sanimentereng |
| 9. Hon. Sheriff S. Sarr | - | Jeshwang |
| 10. Hon. Amadou Camara | - | Nianija |
| 11. Hon. Amie Colley | - | Foni Brefet |
| 12. Hon. Modou Lamin B. Bah | - | Banjul North |
| 13. Hon. Almameh Gibba | - | Foni Kansala |
| 14. Hon. Maimuna Ceesay | - | Nominated Member |
| 15. Hon. Lamin J. Sanneh | - | Brikama South |
| 16. Hon. Musa Cham | - | Serekunda |

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Minister for Lands, Regional Government & Religious Affairs responded to issues raised and wound up the debate.

Question put and accordingly agreed to:

The Assembly agreed to adopt the motion.

MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE | ORDER 53(c)

With leave of the Hon. Speaker, Hon. Suwaibou Touray, Member for Wuli East, moved a motion for the Assembly to grant the Public Petitions Committee leave to sit during the session.

The motion was seconded by Hon. Sulayman Saho, Member for Central Baddibu & Minority Chief Whip.

Question put and accordingly agreed to:

The Assembly agreed to adopt the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

At thirty-eight minutes after three o'clock in the afternoon (3:38pm), the Assembly was adjourned until Tuesday 8th September, 2026, at 10:00 am.