



# Electoral Commission – Sierra Leone (EC-SL)

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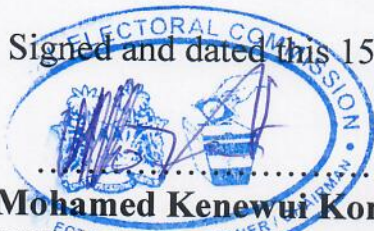
## PRESS STATEMENT

With reference to the Local Council bye election that was conducted in Ward 091 on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2021, violence erupted at Polling Centre, UMC Primary School, Yayah, with Centre Code 03131 that disrupted the counting process after the close of polls.

On Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021, election results for fifteen (15) Polling Stations were tallied at the District Office at 8 Gandi Fania Street in Koidu City. The margin of the provisional result that was tallied in favour of the two leading candidates was **Two Hundred and Seventy-Two (272)** which is less than **Five Hundred and Ninety-Four (594)**, the number of voters on the Register of Voters for the affected centre.

In respect of the incidence of violence that took place in Yayah Polling Centre and backed by complaint from the Independent Candidate, I as National Returning Officer hereby countermand the result of Ward 091 until proper enquiries are made on the issues raised. Thereafter, the public will be informed accordingly in the shortest possible time.

Signed and dated this 15<sup>th</sup> Day of November, 2021



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**Mohamed Kenewui Konneh**  
Chief Electoral Commissioner, Chairman  
and National Returning Officer.