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**The Decisions of the Commission on Changes of Office Bearers
Seychelles National Alliance Party**

Thursday 16th April 2024

The Electoral Commission received two separate requests from the Seychelles National Assembly Party (SNAP) to effect changes on the particulars of their executive committee as per Section 11 of the Political Parties Act.

The first communication was received on the 16th April 2024 from the Secretary-General to the Commission informing of the change in party leadership of SNAP. This was followed by another letter dated 22nd April 2024 providing the appointment of new office bearers and changes in executive members of the party.

On the 24th April 2024, the Commission received a letter from the Party Leader to inform of the suspension of executive members of the party.

Due to the contradictory nature of the two requests the Commission conducted a legal analysis of the content of the requests including reference to the SNAP constitution and the Political Parties Act. Based on this analysis the Commission resolved that:

1. The due process established under the Party's Constitution, specifically Article 4.5 concerning the removal of membership was adhered to. The termination of membership of the Party Leader is valid.
2. The due process to appoint members to assume new positions as Party Leader and on the other office bearers was not in line with the Constitution of SNAP, specifically Article 7.2 and 8.6. Therefore, no changes will be made to that effect at this point in time.

The above decision was resolved by the Commission in an extraordinary meeting held on the 15th May 2024. SNAP and the other party involved has been informed of these decisions today 16th May 2024.

In line with Section 11 of the Political Parties Act, SNAP has seven (7) days to inform the Commission of the new composition of its executive committee and Party leader.

The Commission emphasizes the importance of political parties adhering to the requirements of the political party's constitution. This adherence ensures the integrity and proper functioning of political entities within our democratic framework.

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