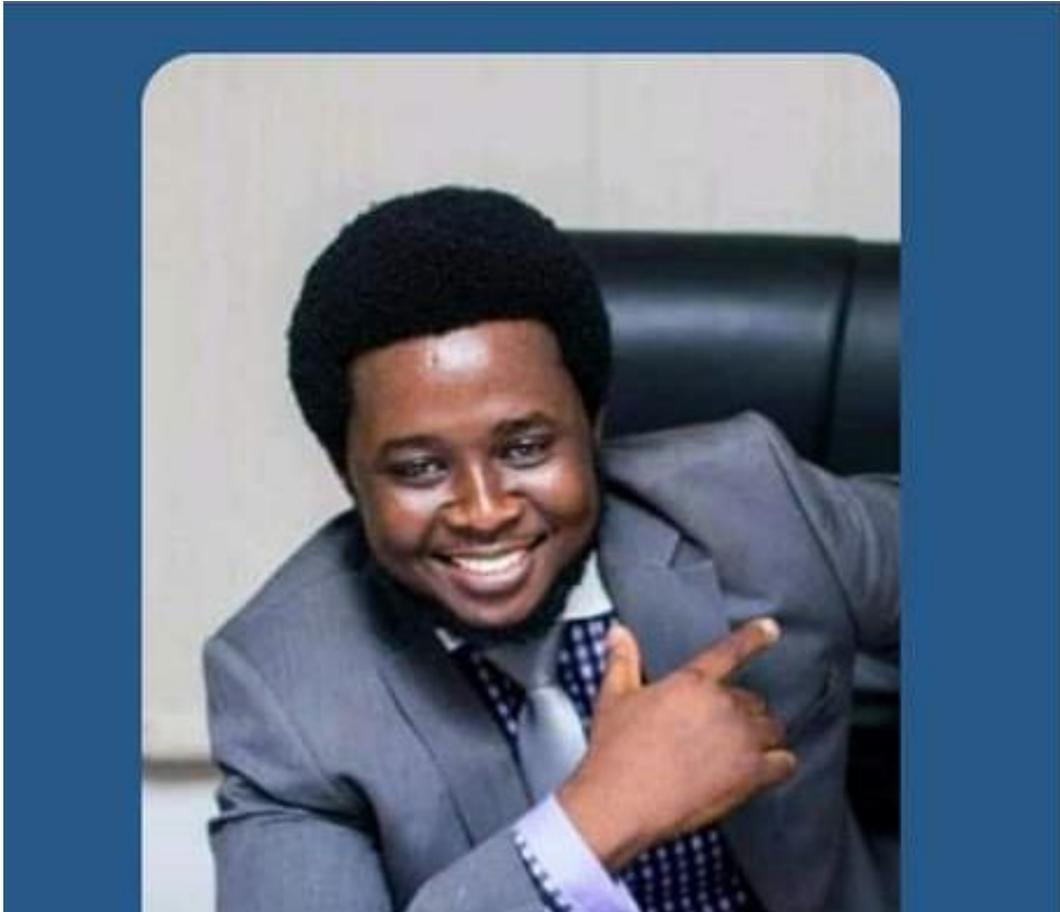


CONGRATULATION TO Mr. FRANCIS BEN KAIFALA,

COMMISSIONNER OF SIERRA LEONE'S ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION



*Mr. Francis BEN KAIFALA, Commissionner of Sierra Leone's Anti-Corruption Commission*

The US Department of State's international Anti-Corruption Champions Awarded 12 persons who have worked tirelessly, often in the face of adversity, to defend transparency, combat corruption, and ensure accountability in their own countries. The honorees are :Ardian Dvorani of Albania, Diana Salazar of Ecuador, Sophia Pretrick of the Federated States of Micronesia, Juan Francisco Sandoval Alfaro of Guatemala, Ibrahima Kalil Gueye of Guinea, Anjali Bhardwaj of India, Dhuha A. Mohammed of Iraq, Bolot Temirov of the Kyrgyz Republic, Mustafa Abdullah Sanalla of Libya, Victor Sotto of The Philippines, Francis Ben Kaifala of Sierra Leone, and Ruslan Ryaboshapka of Ukraine.

Congratulations to African heroes of anticorruption! Ibrahima Kalil Gueye of Guinea, Mustafa Abdullah Sanalla of Libya, and Francis Ben Kaifala of Sierra Leone are among the recipients of this year's U.S. Department of State's International Anticorruption Champions Award from Africa.

According to the US Department State, these three african champions are recognized for their tireless work to defend transparency, combat corruption, and ensure accountability in their own countries.

For Mr. Antony J. BLINKEN, Secretary of State, Mr.,Kaifala demonstrated strong leardship as the Commissioner of Sierra Leone's Anti-Corruption Commission which has investigated, prosecuted and convicted public official and spearheaded a successfull effort to amend and strenghen Sierra Leone's Anti-Corruption Law.

*The AAACA Secretariat extends its sincere congratulations to Commissioner Francis Ben Kaifala and wishes him all the best in the fight against corruption.*