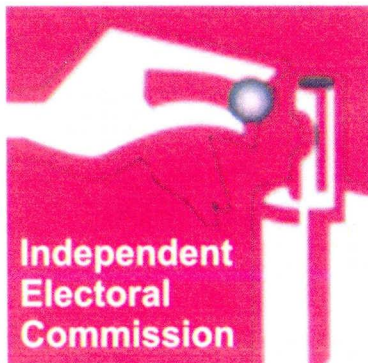




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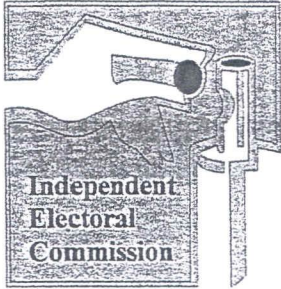


**2016
GAMBIA
PRESIDENTIAL
ELECTION**

**FINAL REPORT OF PAN AFRICAN WOMEN
PROJECTS SOUTH AFRICA OBSERVATION
MISSION TO THE GAMBIA PRESIDENTIAL
ELECTION
ON 1ST DECEMBER, 2016**

SUBMITTED: 7TH APRIL, 2017

THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA
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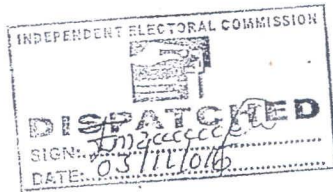
Dear Madam,

ACCREDITATION FOR ELECTION OBSERVATION

Please be informed that the Pan African Women Projects has been accredited to serve as an Observer Group in the forthcoming Presidential Election scheduled for 1st December 2016.

However, your Institution is to fill in an observation accreditation form which is herewith enclosed for each observer after which observation materials will be handed over to you.

Please expedite the process.



Yours sincerely,


Alieu Momarr Njai
CHAIRMAN

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INTRODUCTION

Pan African women project is a non-governmental, non-profitable organization of women from the fifty five (55) nations of Africa and the Diaspora with headquarters in South Africa and regional offices in the five (5) regions of Africa.

Our primary objective is to eradicate poverty in the nations of Africa using developmental projects for women, children and youths.

Pan African Women Projects (PAWP) functions through seven (7) different organs, namely;

Pan African Women Consultative Forum/Pan African Women Conference.

Pan African Women Womanhood Mission

Pan African Women Education Foundation

Pan African Women HealthTrust

Pan African Women Model Homes

Pan African Women Investment Corporation

Pan African Women Trust Fund/Bank

As part of the Pan African Women Womanhood Mission, we campaign against various ills affecting women in Africa thus we promote good governance for peace and stability in African nations.

Pan African Women womanhood mission also campaign, educate and support women into politics and governance in Africa.

Furthermore, under this organ we undertake observation missions for elections both in Africa and the overseas. Our observation mission comprises of a strong team of women technocrats who have conducted unbiased assessment of elections across the nations for several years running now. Our observation mission was to come in to Banjul a week

before the election but due to logistics challenges coupled with limited flights and flight schedules to and from Banjul from Johannesburg, South Africa and also, limited connecting flights. To this, we concentrated on Election Day observation and post-election observation as a result of flights challenges to Gambia from South Africa. This forced us to send only two observers on the mission only to work with our engaged local observers on ground in Banjul and Gambia as a whole.

This report is an interim report of our observations during election. Completed report will be submitted to the independent electoral commission as soon as possible and this include the post-election observations that we are still undergoing.

The presidential elections 2016 was not just successful but historic as the Gambian opposition leader, Adama Barrow of the coalition 2016 has won the presidential election, ending the 22nd year rule President Yahya Jammeh of APRC in the West African country.

It was also highly commended of the former president, President Yahaya Jammeh to congratulate the president elect an hour before the independent electoral commission announced the result, and this action is highly commended by our organization as it portrays the spirit of sportsmanship and good message to the other African leaders who are still holding onto power till date to learn from this humble example.

The election had three (3) candidates contesting. The first, President Yahya Jammeh representing Alliance for Patriotic Re-orientation and Construction and the second, Adama Barrow representing the Coalition Opposition Comprising of eight (8) Political Parties and the third Hon. Mamma kandeh representing Gambia Democratic Congress.

The final result shows that Mr. Adama Barrow of the Coalition Opposition won the election with 227,708 votes and the runner

up was President Yahaya Jammeh 208, 487 and the third result was Hon. Mamma kandeh with 89, 768 votes.

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS FOR ELECTION

The 1997 Constitution of the Republic of The Gambia (as amended in 2011 and 2016) and the Electoral Acts (CAP 3:01 of 2009) provide legal framework for all elections in The Gambia

THE CONSTITUTION

Under the constitution of The Gambia chapter Five (5) number 1, It states ,every citizen of The Gambia being eighteen (18) years or older and of sound mind shall have the right to vote for the purposes of elections of a President and members of the National Assembly , and shall be entitled to be registered as a voter in the National Assembly Constituency for that purpose. The Constitution gives right to every Gambian citizen who is a registered voter to vote in a referendum held in accordance with the constitution or any other law.

The Gambia constitution allows a secret ballot for all public elections and all referenda voting.

INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION

ESTABLISHMENT:

The Constitution provides for the establishment of the Independent Electoral Commission (I.E.C) and procedures for appointments of members of the I.E.C.-Independent Electoral Commission (section 42 -45) in accordance with section 42 of the Constitution ,the Independent Electoral Commission (I.E.C) is composed of a chair and four other members, one of whom

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is elected vice chair. The appointment of these members is vested on the Head of State and they are appointed for an initial term of seven years (7) and can be reappointed.

FUNCTIONS OF THE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION

1)- To conduct and supervise the registration of voters for all public elections and the conduct and supervision of all public elections and referenda.

2)-To conduct of elections for a speaker and Deputy Speaker.

3)-To register Political Parties

4)- To ensure that the dates ,times , and places of public elections and referenda are determined in accordance with law and that they are publicized and elections held accordingly.

5)-To ensure that candidates in elections make a full declaration of their assets at the time of nomination.

FINANCING

The Independent Electoral Commission is funded principally from the allocation of the Government like any other Government Ministries and Department.

At this 1st December, 2016 Presidential Election, it was noted in the speech of the Chairman recognizing the financial assistance given to the Commission from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for the elections.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION ELECTION OF A PRESIDENT

The Constitution states that there shall be an election for the office of the president in the three (3) months before the expiration of the incumbent President.

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The dates for the nomination of candidates and for holding the election shall be determined by the Independent Electoral Commission.

Presidential Elections take place in The Gambia every five (5) years.

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES

1) The candidates must satisfy the commission that his or her nomination is supported by not less than five thousand registered voters consisting of not less than Two Hundred from each administrative areas, as signified by their signatures or otherwise.

2) Make deposit of a prescribed sum by the Independent Electoral Commission and to be refunded back to the Candidate if he or she receives not less than Forty (40%) percent of the valid votes cast at the election.

THE ELECTORAL ACTS

The electoral acts include registration of voters, nomination of candidates, conduct of polls, election camps and registration of Political Parties.

The Constitution states that polls open at 7.00am and closes at 6.00pm.

At the 1st December, 2016 Presidential Election, we observed that polling stations and voting had commenced at some polling stations as early as 7.00am and at 4.00pm to 4.30 pm had started closing the voting process preparing for the counting that commenced at so many polling stations at 5.00pm. Instead of ballot papers as used in other countries, it was observed that The Gambia uses "ballot tokens" (clear marbles) as highlighted in section 63 of the Constitution. This voting system was introduced in the early 1960's to address high levels of illiteracy. The marbles are casted in a

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separate steel drum which serves as a ballot box and each drum carries photographs of the candidates and colours of the party.

CHALLENGING THE RESULT

Any registered political party which has participated in the Presidential election or an Independent candidate who has participated in such an election may apply to the Supreme Court to determine the validity of the election of a President by filling a petition within ten days of the declaration of the result of the election.

ELECTION DAY OBSERVATION REPORT.

OPENING AND ESTABLISHMENT OF POLLING STATIONS

The Independent Electoral Commission in Gambia has a total number of one thousand, four hundred and twenty two (1,422) polling stations across the country.

Our observation at polling station number 202032-Jeshwang Kanifing layout had over 232 voters found in a queue as at 7:18am waiting to cast their vote.

The presiding officer for stream 2 had by 7:20am presented the empty drums for the voters to inspect and at 7:50am voting exercise began.

It was observed that all polling stations were located in public buildings, including schools, mosque, plazas and squares and were easily accessible to voters.

ELECTION MATERIALS

We observed that the election materials were deployed to polling stations in sufficient quantities throughout the polling

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day. It was also observed that there was no polling station we visited that materials were delayed.

ELECTION OFFICERS

Our observation team noted that in the polling stations visited, the Electoral Officers were present at each poll. However, this was reduced to staff for example, pipeline Mosque polling station stream (Latrikunda Yiri pipeline Mosque) Kanifing Serrekunda 203121 & 2033122.

VOTING PROCEDURES

The Gambian voting procedures is different and very interesting from the ones we observe and obtainable in other parts of Africa and the world, where votes are cast with ballot papers. Gambian voters cast their votes with marbles, marbles represent ballot papers and there are no ballot boxes but ballots drums which we noted.

Each of the presidential candidates gets a metal drum painted in a specific colour with their photographs and symbols pasted on it.

GREEN DRUM PRESIDENT YAHYA JAMMEH

GRAY DRUM Mr. ADAMA BARROW

PURPLE DRUM HON. MAMMA KANDEH

Voters were handed a glass marble and directed into an enclosed room where they were faced with the three (3) drums. Once a candidate is chosen, they slip the token into a small hole and the sound of a bicycle bell which is attached to the end of a tube inside the drum is heard thus; preventing people from voting more than once.

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SECRET BALLOT

We noted that all polling stations were equipped with a booth to guarantee the secrecy of the vote. The voting booths were adequate so that voters could make their choice away from the intrusion of those present.

The layout of the booths gave voters confidence and did not however allow for easy manipulations.

SECURITY

Our team observed a strong presence of security agencies in all polling stations we visited.

It was observed that there was no intimidation or harassment by the security forces in the polling stations as soldiers and police officers were found also casting their votes orderly.

VOTERS TURNOUT

Long lines were observed at most polling stations we visited. Voters turnout was early and impressive

PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN AND YOUTHS

Our mission observed good turnout of women on queues at the entrance of the polling stations and many were found sitting on the field even under the sun waiting patiently to cast their votes.

Majority of women we found at the polling stations were women between the ages of forty (40) and seventy (70) years. Youths were not really seen participating in this election we noted.

Compared to total number of youths we have seen in the country, very few of them were seen voting at the polling station which gave our team so much concern as youths are

the bed rock of any nation and thus calls for adequate sensitization and mobilization.

MEDIA

We observed a good presence of International and Local media represented at this Presidential Elections.

The media gave a good coverage of this election as they covered the entire election processes before election, during the elections and even after the election; we also, observed their interviews with various stake holders.

The Gambian presidential election was widely publicized before the Election Day as during Election Day the internet and social networks to ease communication were all blocked in Gambia.

CLOSE AND COUNTING OF VOTERS

All operations were concluded in a peaceful and conducive atmosphere.

The presiding officers were seen at the polling station where we observed the counting exercise in an orderly manner, counting the marbles from each ballot drum openly and transparently.

No argument or violence was noticed by the mission throughout the counting.

No observer was denied access to the counting procedure we noted.

CONCLUSION

1-The presidential election held on the 1st December, 2016 in Gambia was very transparent, credible and peaceful.

2-The election in light of the observed mobilization, allowed the Gambian people to participate effectively in the process of selecting their president of the republic.

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3-Our observation mission welcomes the fact that, despite tensions before the elections, the election was generally held in a peaceful climate and manner. It counts on the high sense of responsibility of all those involved in bringing and respecting the choice of Gambians as expressed at the poll on the 1st December, 2016.

MANAGEMENT OF RECORDS

The results of the polling stations were made public as all party agents, observers and media present held a documentation of the result at each polling station thereby giving room for no rigging.

COMPILATION OF RESULTS

Results were compiled by the regional officers and faxed to the Headquarters of the Independent Electoral Commission. We noted after the election was ended at 5pm, and after that, our team returned back to the Independent Electoral Commission of Gambia and was present throughout the announcement of all results.

Finally our organization congratulates the people of Gambia, the Independent Electoral Commission for a good work done and all stake holders for their contributions to the success and smooth conduct of the election.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT

Democracy vis a vis election is not an event but a determined dynamic process that is continuous until perfection is achieved. In the light of this we, therefore do recommend the following:

1. Take positive measures to encourage and strengthen the

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participation of youths in all levels of the political and administrative life of the country.

2. Put all machinery in place to avoid the blocking of networks during Election Day as this action sends negative messages outside the country and frustrates communication boundaries to the commission.

TO INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION:

1. Independent Electoral Commission to train more ADHOC staff the next election and create more polling units to reduce the queue and prolonged waiting of voters at polling stations.

Examples; our observation at 22nd July square in Banjul where many elderly women were seen waiting under the sun for long hours.

2. More sensitization to be done by the commission especially for youth participation in the election as from our observation, mainly only women and elderly men were seen voting during election.

3. More strategies should be in place to improve results collation processes as the process of collation of results in this election was slow compared to the number of voters which results should have been announced at least twelve (12) hours after the close of voting.

4. The Independent Electoral Commission to advise the network companies to improve on their services especially during elections by not allowing their network to be disabled making the entire country incommunicado, especially observers, media, and stakeholders who were unable to communicate to their offices and families and the world

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5. Independent Electoral Commission to advise government to disallow the operation of commercial transportation during election day as many were interested in their businesses rather than promoting democracy and this may encourage vote rigging and violence.
6. The commission should have another strategy to introduce in lining the ballot drums rather than saw dust.
7. The website of the Independent Electoral commission should be improved by constantly updating it and rapid response to correspondences and mails.
8. Certificate of return to the winning candidate in elections should be introduced. This is applicable in most electoral commissions we have observed in Africa. The certificate of return is always presented in the presence of all stakeholders with good media presence at the end of every election to candidate that has been declared winner.
9. Branded materials to be introduced for International and Domestic observers that will reduce the risk of infiltration by unaccredited observers and hoodlums that may be agents of election rigging and also, serve as souvenirs to their organizations and institutions.
10. Involvement of teachers, nurses and more experienced adults as polling staff should be encouraged by the Independent Electoral Commission for next elections.

TO THE POLITICAL PARTIES

1. Preserve the current climate of peace by avoiding inflammatory speeches and remarks or acts of defence in the spirit of conciliation

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2. Ensure in their political strategies, the proper training of their representatives in the polling station.
3. Ensure the representation of more women in political party leadership bodies and improve their participation as part representatives

TO THE CIVIL SOCIETY

1. Contribute to the sensitization and civil education of citizens throughout the country for all elections.
2. Participate actively in a national and impartial manner in natural matters in general and in electoral processes in particular.

DECLARATION OF RESULT

The Presidential Election 2016 of the Republic of Gambia held on the 1st December, 2016 was declared by Alieu Mommar Njai, the returning officer of the presidential election on the 2nd December, 2016 at the conference hall of the Independent Electoral Commission in the presence of the chairman of the Independent Electoral Commission and staff, representatives of the three contesting parties and candidates, foreign observers, domestic officers, embassy representatives and diplomats, international and local media with other stakeholders.

RESULT

- 1) Mr Adama Barrow of the coalition opposition scored Two hundred and sixty three thousand, five hundred and fifteen (263,515) votes.
- 2) President Yahaya Jammeh scored Two hundred and twelve thousand, ninety nine (212,099) votes.

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3) Hon. Mammal Kandeh scored One hundred and two thousand, nine hundred and sixty nine (102,969) votes. And with this result, Mr. Adama Barrow of the Coalition opposition was declared the WINNER of The Gambia 2016 Presidential Election.

Subsequently, on the 5th of December, 2016, the Independent Electoral Commission of Gambia held a press conference to express an error in the final result of the total votes scored by the contesting candidates of the presidential election. Hence, presented revised scores of the total votes scored by each contesting candidates before all stakeholders too.

Thus;

1. Mr. Adama Barrow of the Coalition Opposition scored a total of Two hundred and twenty seven thousand, seven hundred and eight (227,708) votes.

2. President Yahaya Jammeh scored Two hundred and eight thousand, four hundred and eighty seven (208,487) votes.

3. Hon. Mamma Kandeh of the GRC party scored Eighty nine thousand, seven hundred and sixty eight (89,768) votes. Mr. Adama Barrow of the Coalition opposition was still declared the winner of the Gambian 2016 Presidential Election.

The collation and declaration of result was at the conference room where all stakeholders waited from 5.30pm of the 1st of December, 2016 to 2.00pm of the 2nd of December, 2016. Although there was a correction in the tabulation of the results which gave rise to the new final results as was declared by the Independent Electoral Commission, It should be noted that this is not an uncommon error in electoral processes as is prevalent in different elections in many countries of the world and this does not in any way dispute the transparency and legitimacy of the final election results so long as the correction and final result were affected by the electoral body ,the Independent Electoral Commission.

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Copies of the result tabulations and declaration issued by the Independent Electoral Commission are attached herewith.

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Designation: President / Head of Mission

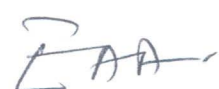
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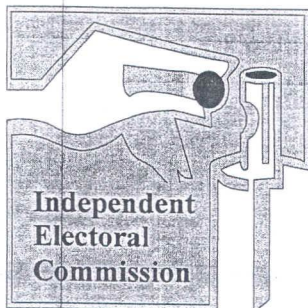
Name: MISS EVELYN ADGBE ADOHE

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Declaration of Results

I, Alieu Momarr Njai, Returning Officer of the Presidential Election of 1st December 2016; having received and announced the results of the counting of votes from the assistant returning officers across the fifty-three constituencies of the Gambia, in the presence of representatives of the three contesting candidates, hereby wish to give the final results of the election as follows:

Barrow Adama	263,515 Votes
Jammeh, Yahya A. J. J. Sheikh Prof. Alh. Dr.	212,099 Votes
Kandeh Mamma	102, 969 votes

Having received **263,515 votes**, of the total votes cast in the election, I hereby declare **Adama Barrow** duly elected to serve as President of the Republic of the Gambia.

Dated 2nd December 2016

Signature: 

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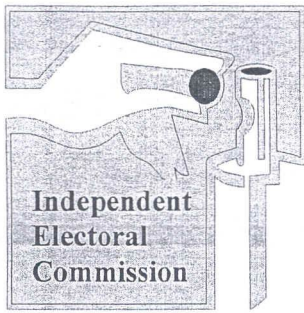
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RESULTS BY CONSTITUENCIES

ADMIN/CONSTITUENCIES	ELECTORATE	BALLOT CA	% Turnout	BARROW	% BARROW	JAMMEH	% JAMMEH	KANDEH	% KANDEH	Invalid Votes
BANJUL										
BANJUL SOUTH	6,258	3,515	56%	1,813	52%	1,350	38%	352	10%	0
BANJUL CENTRAL	9,371	5,882	63%	2,670	45%	2,808	48%	404	7%	0
BANJUL NORTH	7,102	3,974	56%	2,156	54%	1,546	39%	272	7%	0
BANJUL TOTAL	22,731	13,371	59%	6,639	50%	5,704	43%	1,028	8%	
KANIFING										
BAKAU	17,148	10,764	63%	6,550	61%	3,547	33%	667	6%	1
JESHWANG	31,857	18,074	57%	9,196	51%	7,002	39%	1,876	10%	2
SEREKUNDA WEST	46,502	24,850	53%	12,029	48%	10,422	42%	2,499	10%	3
SEREKUNDA	14,701	7,784	53%	3,993	51%	2,895	37%	895	11%	1
BUNDUNGKA KUNDA	31,065	17,273	56%	9,021	52%	6,698	74%	1,552	9%	3
LATRIKUNDA SABIJIE	33,970	19,591	58%	8,684	44%	8,507	43%	2,398	12%	2
TALINDUNG KUNJANG	24,714	13,676	55%	6,634	49%	5,802	42%	1,240	9%	1
KANIFING TOTAL	199,957	112,012	56%	56,107	50%	44,873	40%	11,127	10%	
BRIKAMA										
FONI JARROL	3,926	2,737	70%	435	16%	1,885	69%	416	15%	2
FONI BREFET	8,455	5,694	67%	1,105	19%	4,217	74%	372	7%	0
FONI BINTANG	9,073	6,727	74%	798	12%	5,694	85%	255	4%	0
FONI BONDALI	4,104	2,873	70%	193	7%	2,341	81%	339	12%	0
FONI KANSALA	8,245	6,000	73%	343	6%	5,554	93%	103	2%	0
KOMBO EAST	21,626	14,670	68%	6,204	42%	6,976	48%	1,486	10%	4
KOMBO SOUTH	45,152	24,825	55%	13,689	55%	8,603	35%	2,514	10%	19
BRIKAMA NORTH	29,369	18,194	62%	10,210	56%	6,066	59%	2,025	11%	13
BRIKAMA SOUTH	30,814	19,509	63%	8,712	45%	8,678	44%	2,119	11%	11
SANNEH MENTERENG	39,618	23,400	59%	13,143	56%	7,659	58%	2,591	11%	8
OLD YUNDUM	44,131	25,141	57%	8,236	33%	9,545	38%	7,342	29%	18
BUSUMBALA	36,602	23,511	64%	11,755	50%	9,662	41%	2,094	9%	0
BRIKAMA TOTAL	281,115	173,281	62%	74,823	43%	76,880	44%	21,656	12%	
KEREWAN										
LOWER NUIMI	23,935	14,943	62%	4,260	29%	4,492	30%	6,191	41%	0
UPPER NUIMI	14,536	9,776	67%	3,350	34%	2,309	24%	4,117	42%	0
JOKADU	10,725	7,116	66%	1,502	21%	2,022	28%	3,588	50%	4
LOWER BADDIBU	9,782	6,073	62%	4,002	66%	905	15%	1,166	19%	2
CENTRAL BADDIBU	9,672	6,058	63%	3,049	50%	1,474	24%	1,535	25%	0
ILLIASSA	20,826	11,929	57%	5,606	47%	3,450	29%	2,868	24%	5
SABACH SANJAL	12,241	7,815	64%	1,577	20%	3,664	47%	2,574	33%	2
KEREWAN TOTAL	101,717	63,710	63%	23,346	37%	18,316	29%	22,039	35%	
MANSAKONKO										
JARRA WEST	14,941	8,444	57%	4,648	55%	2,385	28%	1,409	17%	2

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JARRA EAST	8,609	4,962	58%	2,658	54%	1,002	20%	1,301	26%	1
JARRA CENTRAL	4,820	2,868	60%	835	29%	1,300	45%	721	25%	12
KIANG WEST	10,343	6,804	66%	4,972	73%	1,415	21%	417	6%	0
KIANG EAST	4,483	3,002	67%	1,624	54%	933	31%	445	15%	1
KIANG CENTRAL	6,002	3,458	58%	1,739	50%	961	28%	755	22%	3
MANSAKONKO TOTAL	49,198	29,538	60%	16,476	56%	7,996	27%	5,048	17%	
JANJANBUREH										
JANJANBUREH	1,980	1,060	54%	359	34%	643	61%	58	5%	0
NIANI	13,593	8,549	63%	2,673	31%	3,260	38%	2,613	31%	
NIANUA	4,974	3,314	67%	565	17%	1,228	37%	1,519	46%	2
NIAMINA WEST	4,375	3,053	70%	752	25%	775	25%	1,526	50%	0
NIAMINA EAST	11,151	7,333	66%	2,109	29%	2,908	40%	2,316	32%	0
NIAMINA DANKUNKU	3,574	2,501	70%	690	28%	1,003	40%	808	32%	0
LOWER FULLADU WEST	20,414	11,413	56%	3,198	28%	6,065	53%	2,145	19%	5
UPPER FULLADU WEST	24,678	12,489	51%	4,132	33%	5,843	47%	2,506	20%	8
LOWER SALOUM	9,253	5,730	62%	1,966	34%	2,145	37%	1,617	28%	2
UPPER SALOUM	11,042	6,705	61%	2,157	32%	2,974	44%	1,574	23%	0
SAMI	11,641	7,899	68%	3,614	46%	3,384	43%	899	11%	0
JANJANBUREH TOTAL	116,675	70,046	60%	22,215	32%	30,228	43%	17,581	25%	
BASSE										
BASSE	20,655	10,257	50%	4,402	43%	4,384	43%	1,467	14%	4
JIMARA	21,434	10,666	50%	2,439	23%	5,009	47%	3,207	30%	11
TUMANA	16,966	10,127	60%	5,202	51%	3,365	33%	1,560	15%	0
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PRESS RELEASE

ERROR IN THE TOTAL OF FINAL ELECTION RESULTS

The tabulation of the 2016 Presidential election results from the fifty three constituencies was done correctly.

Furthermore, regional election results were also tabulated correctly from Banjul to Basse Administrative Areas. However, when the total votes per region were being tallied, certain figures were inadvertently transposed. Instead of adding the total number of votes polled by Mr. Adama Barrow in the Basse Administrative Area, the IEC added the total number of ballots cast for Basse Administrative Area to Adama Barrow's total number of votes thus swelling the number of votes Mr. Barrow polled nationally.

This error was repeated across for the other contesting candidates.

Having noticed this, the error is now corrected and this is the actual result:

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Kandeh, Mamma	89,768 votes

This result which has not changed the status quo was unanimously endorsed by the representatives of the contesting candidates at Election House this morning, 5th December 2016.

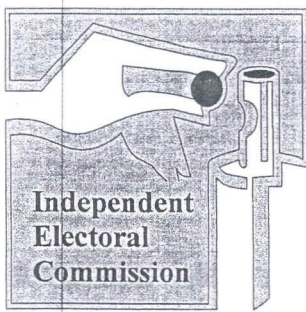

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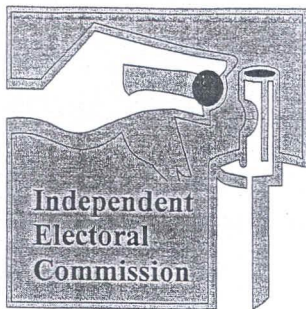
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Having received **263,515 votes**, of the total votes cast in the election, I hereby declare **Adama Barrow** duly elected to serve as President of the Republic of the Gambia.

Dated 2nd December 2016

Signature: 

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1st. December 2016
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION
FINAL RESULTS BY CONSTITUENCIES

ADMIN/CONSTITUENCIES	ELECTORATE	BALLOT CA	% Turnout	BARROW	% BARROW	JAMMEH	% JAMMEH	KANDEH	% KANDEH	Invalid Votes
BANJUL SOUTH	6,258	3,515	56%	1,813	52%	1,350	38%	352	10%	0
BANJUL CENTRAL	9,371	5,882	63%	2,670	45%	2,808	48%	404	7%	0
BANJUL NORTH	7,102	3,974	56%	2,156	54%	1,546	39%	272	7%	0
BANJUL TOTAL	22,731	13,371	59%	6,639	50%	5,704	42%	1,028	8%	
KANJING										
BAKAU	17,148	10,764	63%	6,550	61%	3,547	33%	667	6%	1
JESHWANG	31,857	18,074	57%	9,196	51%	7,002	39%	1,876	10%	2
SEREKUNDA WEST	46,502	24,850	53%	12,029	48%	10,422	42%	2,499	10%	3
SEREKUNDA	14,701	7,784	53%	3,993	51%	2,895	37%	895	12%	1
BUNDUNGA KUNDA	31,065	17,273	56%	9,021	52%	6,698	39%	1,552	9%	3
LATRIKUNDA SABUIE	33,970	19,591	58%	8,684	44%	8,507	44%	2,398	12%	2
TALINDING KUNJANG	24,714	13,676	55%	6,634	49%	5,802	42%	1,240	9%	1
KANJING TOTAL	199,957	112,012	56%	56,107	50%	44,873	40%	11,127	10%	
BRIKAMA										
FONI JARROL	3,926	2,737	70%	435	16%	1,885	69%	416	15%	2
FONI BREFET	8,455	5,694	67%	1,105	19%	4,217	74%	372	7%	0
FONI BINTANG	9,073	6,727	74%	798	12%	5,694	84%	255	4%	0
FONI BONDALI	4,104	2,873	70%	193	7%	2,341	81%	339	12%	0
FONI KANSALA	8,245	6,000	73%	343	6%	5,554	92%	103	2%	0
KOMBO EAST	21,626	14,670	68%	6,204	42%	6,976	48%	1,486	10%	4
KOMBO SOUTH	45,152	24,825	55%	13,689	55%	8,603	35%	2,514	10%	19
BRIKAMA NORTH	29,369	18,194	62%	10,210	56%	6,066	33%	2,025	11%	13
BRIKAMA SOUTH	30,814	19,509	63%	8,712	45%	8,678	44%	2,119	11%	11
SANNEH MENTERENG	39,618	23,400	59%	13,143	56%	7,659	33%	2,591	11%	8
OLD YUNDUM	44,131	25,141	57%	8,236	33%	9,545	38%	7,342	29%	18
BUSUMBALA	36,602	23,511	64%	11,755	50%	9,662	41%	2,094	9%	0
BRIKAMA TOTAL	281,115	173,281	62%	74,823	43%	76,880	44%	21,656	13%	
KEREWAN										
LOWER NUIMI	23,935	14,943	62%	4,260	29%	4,492	30%	6,191	41%	0
UPPER NUIMI	14,536	9,776	67%	3,350	34%	2,309	24%	4,117	42%	0
JOKADU	10,725	7,116	66%	1,502	21%	2,022	29%	3,588	50%	4
LOWER BADDIBU	9,782	6,073	62%	4,002	66%	905	15%	1,166	19%	2
CENTRAL BADDIBU	9,672	6,058	63%	3,049	50%	1,474	25%	1,535	25%	0
ILLIASSA	20,826	11,929	57%	5,606	47%	3,450	29%	2,868	24%	5
SABACH SANJAL	12,241	7,815	64%	1,577	20%	3,664	47%	2,574	33%	2
KEREWAN TOTAL	101,747	68,710	63%	23,346	37%	18,316	29%	22,039	34%	
MANSAKONKO										
JARRA WEST	14,941	8,444	57%	4,648	55%	2,385	28%	1,409	17%	2

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JARRA CENTRAL	4,820	2,868	60%	835	29%	1,300	46%	721	25%	12
KIANG WEST	10,343	6,804	66%	4,972	73%	1,415	21%	417	6%	0
KIANG EAST	4,483	3,002	67%	1,624	54%	933	31%	445	15%	1
KIANG CENTRAL	6,002	3,458	58%	1,739	50%	961	28%	755	22%	3
MANSAKONKO TOTAL	49,198	29,538	60%	16,476	56%	7,996	27%	5,048	17%	
JANJANBUREH										
JANJANBUREH	1,980	1,060	54%	359	34%	643	61%	58	5%	0
NIANI	13,593	8,549	63%	2,673	31%	3,260	38%	2,613	31%	
NIANUJA	4,974	3,314	67%	565	17%	1,228	37%	1,519	46%	2
NIAMINA WEST	4,375	3,053	70%	752	25%	775	25%	1,526	50%	0
NIAMINA EAST	11,151	7,333	66%	2,109	29%	2,908	40%	2,316	31%	0
NIAMINA DANKUNKU	3,574	2,501	70%	690	28%	1,003	40%	808	32%	0
LOWER FULLADU WEST	20,414	11,413	56%	3,198	28%	6,065	53%	2,145	19%	5
UPPER FULLADU WEST	24,678	12,489	51%	4,132	33%	5,843	47%	2,506	20%	8
LOWER SALOUM	9,253	5,730	62%	1,966	34%	2,145	38%	1,617	28%	2
UPPER SALOUM	11,042	6,705	61%	2,157	32%	2,974	44%	1,574	24%	0
SAMI	11,641	7,899	68%	3,614	46%	3,384	43%	899	11%	0
JANJANBUREH TOTAL	116,675	70,046	60%	22,215	32%	30,228	43%	17,581	25%	
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