Survey on the effectiveness of Anticorruption Authorities

**Background Information**

1. Please enter country name in the space below
   - Sierra Leone

2. The name of the agency
   - Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC)

3. The date of establishment
   - 3rd February, 2000

4. Contact Information
   - 3, Gloucester Street, Freetown

5. Webpage
   - www.anticorruption.gov.sl

**Legal Environment**

6. What are the main anticorruption laws of your country?
   - The 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone as amended
   - The Anti-Corruption Act 2008
   - The National Public Procurement Act, 2004 and its Regulations of 2006
   - The Criminal Procedures Act, 1965
   - The Anti-Money Laundering Act, 2005
   - The Finance Act, 2009
   - The Banking Act, 2000
   - And other Common Law offences relating to financial accountability

7. Does your government have a single or primary anticorruption strategy?
   - Yes- The National Anti-Corruption Strategy 2008-2013

8. Does your country have freedom of information legislation?
   - Yes  No

9. Does your country have conflict of interest legislation?
   - Yes  No

10. Does your country have a financial disclosure system to help prevent conflicts of interest?
    - Yes  No

**Institutional Environment**

11. What are the main functions and operations of your agency? Please check all that apply
12. Is there one agency in charge of coordinating AC efforts across agencies?
   - Yes
   - No
   If Yes, Please specify: The Anti-Corruption Commission

13. Does your agency have the ability to share information or data with
   (a) Other agencies within your government, and
   - Yes
   - No
   (b) Government partners from other countries?
   - Yes
   - No

14. Please enter current size of permanent staff in the space below
   132

15. Number of prosecutors (if applicable)
   3

16. Number of investigators (if applicable)
   31 including intelligence officers

17. Number of cases handled annually (if applicable)
   Approx. 122

18. Please enter the name of other agencies with similar functions.
   The Police, the Auditor General, the Ombudsman, the Law Officers Department

19. Does your agency have a system to monitor performance of staff?
   - Yes
   - No

20. Are the human resource management, i.e. recruitment, promotion, termination built on the emphasis of staff integrity and professionalism?
   - Yes
   - No

21. Who appoints the head of your agency?
   The President subject to the approval by Parliament

22. Who has the authority to remove the head of the ACA?
   The President for reasons of inability to perform the functions of the office of the Commissioner/Deputy Commissioner subject to recommendation by a tribunal and approved by a two-thirds majority in Parliament.
23. Is there any term limit for the head of the ACA?

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

If Yes, Please specify: _ A term of 5 years and shall be eligible for re-appointment for another term of 5 years only

24. Is the agency subject to judicial review?

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

25. Is the agency subject to expenditure reviews?

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

26. Does your agency publish an annual report of activities?

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

27. Does your agency measure performance?

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

If yes, against what indicators?

[ ] Number of investigations conducted

[ ] Number of investigations concluded

[ ] Ratio of number of investigations/staff

[ ] Percentage of total budget allocated to outreach activities and communication

[ ] Other, please specify-Number of Systems Review conducted, Number of Public Sensitization conducted, Percentage Compliance on NACS Implementation

28. Does your agency keep a comprehensive skill list of its staff?

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

29. Is the staff provided with regular training and refresher training to ensure that their skills are up-to-date?

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

30. Are employees protected by law from recrimination or other negative consequences when reporting corruption (i.e. whistle-blowing)?

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

31. Does your agency have a communication strategy?

[ ] Yes  [ ] No

32. Does your agency have a comprehensive corporate plan?

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33. Is there a strategy in formulating partnership with outside agencies in fighting corruption?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

34. Is there strategy in dealing with media?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Resource Mobilization

35. Does your agency have budgetary autonomy?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

36. What is the annual budget of your agency?

$ 3,822,000

37. Is the annual budget determined by (Please choose the answer/s that best fits your agency)

☐ Number of staff
☐ Number of investigations
☐ Budget is constitutionally mandated
☐ Other, please specify - Parliament

38. How much does it roughly cost to (please enter the dollar amount per stated activity)

$ 1,000  File a case  $ 2,000  Manage a paper case  $ 2,000  Analyze a case

39. Any Donor Involvement?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

40. Does your agency use a computerized system to handle cases?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Social Environment

41. Does your agency offer a mechanism for citizens to report anonymously complaints or offer information on corrupt activities?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

42. Does your agency or government provide a hotline to report corruption?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

43. Does your agency produce regular public reports of its activities?

☐ Yes  ☐ No