**PROPOSED GUIDELINES –**

**MEMBERS’ DRESS CODE FOR PARLIAMENTARY WORK**

**(Final Draft)**

1. Members must be dressed appropriately, in formal business attire or in traditional wear when all business of the House, its Committees and other forums is conducted.
2. Members may not wear informal wear including denim jeans, shorts, t-shirts, golf shirts, overalls, track suits and similar items that cannot be classified as formal business attire.
3. Members may wear formal, traditional or religious head gear and appropriate shoe wear to complement their business or traditional attire. Members may not wear informal head gear including caps and helmets and may not wear informal shoe wear such as slip-on sandals and gumboots.
4. The Speaker may, after consultation with the party whips, grant permission for a deviation from the formal business dress code policy for a specific meeting of the National Assembly.
5. Party whips are responsible for the monitoring of the dress code of their respective members.
6. During sittings, whenever the attention of the Presiding Officer is drawn to non-compliance with the dress code by an MP, the Presiding Officer must instruct the relevant member to withdraw from the House or other forum.
7. A member who is aggrieved by the decision of the Presiding Officer, may lodge an appeal with the disciplinary committee and/or Rules Committee.