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52ND COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE O THE AFRICA REGION COMMONWEALTH WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS, AFRICA REGION CONFERENCE SOCATT AFRICA REGION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 52nd Commonwealth Parliamentarians Association (CPA) African Region conference took place in Freetown, Sierra Leone from 3-9 June 2022. This regional conference includes the main conference relating to all CPA Africa matters, the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) Africa Region conference, as well as the conference for the Society of Clerks At The Table (SoCATT).

The WCPP was represented at the main conference and the CWP by the as well as three other Members. At this year's conference, the CWP continued to discuss matters affecting women parliamentarians and women in general in the Africa region as well as prepare nominations for elections of the international chair.

SoCATT is the administrative body within the CPA and deals with matters affecting parliamentary administrations in the region. Mr Romeo Adams, the Secretary to provincial parliament, represented the WCPP at SOCATT as he forms part of the steering committee.

During the deliberations of the conference, important matters were raised to be taken to the Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference:

- To attach a deadline to ensure the registration of the CPA in the UK as a NGO.
- The WCPP-CPA Branch put forward a motion to amend the constitution of the CPA, to allow subnational branches to register two delegates.
- This motion was seconded by the Rwanda-Cpa Branch.