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Members of The Internet Society Sierra Leone (ISOC-SL).

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Dear Members,

ISOC-SL March - April 2020 Newsletter

We hope that you are all safe and in good health. About a week ago, we informed you of our plans to implement a Pilot Home Learning programme for senior secondary school students. We have made significant progress. We have identified Kelly's Rural Vocational and Agricultural Secondary School in Hastings as the school for this programme. It is a Government of Sierra Leone funded school with 723 male and female students. We have met and discussed the programme with the school principal, Mr. Farrell Coker, and he has informed us of the school's willingness to participate in the programme.

We will be presenting the programme, its guidelines and the Laptops to the students on Saturday 18th April 2018 at the school's compound. The presentation will be done on very strict Social-Distancing Guidelines. This group will be updated on the programme's progress.

On another development, we have held several online meetings with the Head of the ISOC Africa Chapters, Mr. Victor Ndonnang. The main thrust of our conversations has been the reinstating of ISOC-Sierra Leone to a status of "Good Standing". We have been issued with a list of activities that we must carry out before the end of April 2020. One key criterion for a chapter to be of "Good Standing" is that you must have a physical address. We have identified an office space in Freetown for which we are presently negotiating with the owner. You will be duly informed on this.

Lastly, we want to use this newsletter as another reminder to our former Chapter President, Mr Salia Fawundu, and the former Treasurer, Miss Sheila Reffel, to please provide the Handing Over Report as well as Financial Reports for their tenure in office.

As always, we welcome feedback from members on the above issues or any other issue of relevance to the Internet Society Sierra Leone Chapter.

On behalf of the ISOC Sierra Leone Chapter Executive, I want to wish you all continued good health.

Stay Safe.

Best regards,

Salieu Mansaray President ISOC- Sierra Leone Chapter