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Sierra Leone's President Julius Maada Bio Mourns the Passing of His Excellency Muhammadu Buhari, Former President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

State House, Freetown, Sunday 13 July 2025 – It is with profound grief that His Excellency President Julius Maada Bio mourns the passing of his dear friend and former President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, His Excellency Muhammadu Buhari, who departed this life on Sunday, 13th July 2025.

In his capacity as President of the Republic of Sierra Leone and Chairman of the ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State and Government, President Julius Maada Bio extends heartfelt condolences to the Government and People of Nigeria, to President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, and most especially to the bereaved family of the late President Buhari.

The late President Buhari was a formidable statesman whose dedication to the service of his nation will remain a testament to his legacy.

As Chairman of the ECOWAS Authority, President Bio recognizes with admiration the leadership demonstrated by the late President Buhari during his tenure as Chairperson of the ECOWAS Authority of Heads of State and Government. His courageous commitment to the advancement of regional peace stability, and economic integration was a hallmark of his stewardship.

"During this time of great sorrow, Sierra Leone stands in solidarity with the people of Nigeria. We join all West Africans and the global community in mourning the loss of a true patriot," President Bio affirms.

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