

APPENDIX D/1 – FUNDING REPORT FORM

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

SUBMISSION DATE:	31 st January, 2024
BENEFICIARY NAME:	Sierra Leone Chess Federation
DEVELOPMENT LEVEL OF 2023:	Level 5
PROJECT NAME:	Open Under 1700 Chess Championship
PROJECT START DATE:	2 nd November, 2023
PROJECT END DATE:	5 th November, 2023
PROJECT WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA:	Www.sierralepnechess.org/
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	To expose our players to international tournament and to increase the number of Rated players.
PROJECT/PROGRAMME TOTAL BUDGET (euro): (Including other income)	Three thousand two hundred euros (3,200).
FUNDING AMOUNT RECEIVED FROM FIDE FOR THIS PROJECT/PROGRAMME (euro):	Two thousand five hundred euros (2,500).

2. <u>KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS</u>

- Copy/paste your baseline and target KPIs from the project's funding request (Appendix B) or annual plan (Continents and FIDE Commissions only).
- Input your actual KPIs achieved after the implementation of the project.

	КРІ	BASELINE	TARGET	ACTUAL
		(project start)	(project end)	
E.G	Number of schools teaching chess	20	25	24
1.	Number of Certified National Arbiters	0	6	4
2.	Number of Rated tournament	0	6	2
3.	Number of Rated players	6	20	13
4.	Average rating of top ten players	0	1,600	1,300

3. PROJECTS' OUTCOMES / DELIVERABLES

• Promotion and dissemination activities: list the used sources/implemented activities which covered/promoted each of your projects:

Promotion and dissemination activities:	Your input:
Official website	Www.sierraleonechess.org/
Other social media sources/platforms	Whatsapp groups
Newspapers, magazines	Newspapers and magazines
TV/Youtube shows	TV(AYV Media Empire).
Streams/podcasts	
Radio shows	Radio shows(AYV Media Empire).
Blogs, twitter feeds	



APPENDIX D/1 – CONTENT REPORT FORM

Printed branded promotional materials	Banners and T-shirts

• Sponsors you actually involved in each of your projects.

Sponsors	Official website	Involvement in the project
Hotel Barmoi		Throughout
Skoa Chess Association		Information

• Strategical Partners you actually involved in each of your projects (UNESCO, National Ministries, NGOs, NOCs, etc).

Partners	Official website	Involvement in the project
National Sport Authority		Reports
NOC		Reports

4. LINKS, PHOTOS AND OTHER SUPPORTING MEDIA DOCUMENTS



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ATTACHMENTS TO THE REPORT

Financial Report Form specific to the activity/projects* (Appendix D/2)	
Photos/videos (name the attached file as the Project Name_photos)	
Other supporting documents (name the attached file as Project Name_doc)	

I, the undersigned, President/Secretary General of the above-mentioned Organisation, certify that the information provided in this report, including the Financial Report Form (Appendix D/2) attached represents a true and fair summary of the activity/project noted above. At any moment, we will provide documentations and justifications related to the activity/projects/expenditures as required by FIDE or by its auditors, upon request of the FIDE.

Ansumana Kamara (President)

Name, function (President or Secretary General) and signature

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*Financial reports (financial statements, official project report) specific to the activity/projects is required to be completed and submitted to FIDE with this report. In absence of the beneficiary's financial reports for the specific activity/projects, the FIDE financial report form is to be used.



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SUBMISSION DATE:	13th October, 2023
BENEFICIARY NAME:	Sierra Leone Chess Federation
DEVELOPMENT LEVEL OF 2023:	Level 5
PROJECT NAME:	NATIONAL Open Chess Championships
PROJECT START DATE:	27th September
PROJECT END DATE:	3rd of October
PROJECT WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA:	www.sierraleonechess.org/
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	To find the national champion and to select the top five players for Sierra Leone for the year 2023.
PROJECT/PROGRAMME TOTAL BUDGET (euro): (Including other income)	Three thousand euros (€3,000)
FUNDING AMOUNT RECEIVED FROM FIDE FOR THIS PROJECT/PROGRAMME (euro):	Two thousand euros (2,500)

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TV/Youtube shows	AYV Media Empire
Streams/podcasts	
Radio shows	AYV Media empire
Blogs, twitter feeds	
Printed branded promotional materials	Banners and T-shirt



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• Sponsors you actually involved in each of your projects.

Sponsors	Official website	Involvement in the project
Sport Zone		No
SKOA Chess		Yes

• Strategical Partners you actually involved in each of your projects (UNESCO, National Ministries, NGOs, NOCs, etc).

Partners	Official website	Involvement in the project
Chief Minister		Yes
National Sports Authority		Yes

4. LINKS, PHOTOS AND OTHER SUPPORTING MEDIA DOCUMENTS



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by its auditors, upon request of the FIDE.

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Ansumana Kamara (President)

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APPENDIX D/2 - FINANCIAL REPORT FORM

FIDE DF beneficiary to complete and submit to the fedfunding@fide.com

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Together with Appendix D/1 - FUNDING REPORT	T FORM
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BENEFICIARY NAME:	Sierra Leone Chess Federation
DEVELOPMENT LEVEL:	Level 5
PROJECT NAME:	Open Under1700 Chess Championship
PROJECT START DATE:	2nd November,2023
PROJECT END DATE:	5th November,2023
YEAR OF CONTRIBUTION:	2023

FIDE DEVELOPMENT FUND

Currency	Amount
EUR	хххх

ACTIVITY/PROJECT EXPENDITURES DETAILS

	EXPENSES	Covered?	Amount in original currency		Amount in currency of FIDE DF
Date		Mark Yes for			
	- Supplier/Beneficiary Name	expenses	Currency	Amount	EUR
	- Invoice No. (if not available any identification no.)	covered by			
	- Type of expense, period, etc.	FIDE DF			
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	Total expenditures (in currency of FIDE DF)			EUR	-

We certify that the information provided in this report is accurate and represents a true and fair summary of the expenditures related to the project/activity above

At any moment, we will provide documentations and justifications related to the project/activities/expenditures as required by FIDE or by its auditors, upon requests of FIDE

President/General Secretary	Treasurer/Head of Finance	
Signature	Signature	STAMP
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Function: President	Function: Treasurer	SIGN
Name: Ansumana Kamara	Name: Kenneth McGregor	

Place: Freetown

31/01/24 Date:

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Currency

EUR

Amount

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ACTIVITY/PROJECT EXPENDITURES DETAILS

	EXPENSES	Covered?	Amount in original currency		Amount in currency of FIDE DF
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	- Invoice No. (if not available any identification no.)	covered by			
	- Type of expense, period, etc.	FIDE DF			
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	Total expenditures (in currency of FIDE DF)			EUR	-

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Signature	Signature	
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Function: President	Function: Treasurer	
Name: Ansumana Kamara	Name: Kenneth McGregor	

n, Sierra Leone _____ Date:13th October, 2023 _____



Sierra Leone Chess Federation

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Income and Expenditure for the National Open Chess Championship

INCOME & EXPEND	ITURE FOR THE NATIONAL OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP	
Donation & Tournament Fee		€ 500
FIDE Grant		€ 2500
		€ 3000
Exp	enses (€)	
Printing	100	
Prize fund	500	
Medals	200	
Trophies	300	
Printing of T-Shirts & Banners	300	
Media	350	
Payment of Officials	400	
Hall & Refreshment (Both Event)	350	
		€ 2500
Surplus		€ 500
Note:		
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 The Air ticket of € 500 for the In price has gone up 	nternational Arbiter (IA) was not purchased as grant arrived later and	air ticket

 Stipend of € 250 (transfer charges inclusive0 was paid to the International Arbiter by Western Union. He connected with our local Arbiters to have a successful tournament

Authorised Signature

Ansumana Kamara

Name

2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championships-OPEN

Final ranking

Rank	SNo.		Name	Rtg	FED	Pts	Res.	Vict	BHs	
1	2		Kamara Ansumana		SLE	8	1	8	4141/2	3
2	3		Adeshole Beckley Brian	1619		8	0	8	4211/2	
3	1		Winston Gerald Mansfield Thomas	1872	SLE	71/2	0	7	429	3
4	23	(Saa Joseph Tenequee	0	OLL.	6	0	6	4171/2	
5	25		Sesay Mohamed	0	SLE	51/2	0	5	395	2
6	14		Kabba Bangura	0	SLE	5	0	5	395	2
7	21		Osman Sankoh	0	SLE	5	0	5	390	2
8	20		Moses Ina Ebenezer Conteh	0	SLE	5	0		3741/2	
9	10		Hussain Dauda Bangura	0	SLE	5	0	5	368	2
10	5		Abdul Rahman Toronka	0	SLE	5	0	5	3651/2	
11	6		Antic Sebastian	0	SLE	5	0	5	354	1
12	11		Ibrahim Akmed Sesay	0	SLE	41/2	0	4	356	2
13			Peter Issa Tarawallie	0	SLE	4	0	4	3721/2	
14	13		Issa Kamara	0	SLE	4	0	4	3501/2	
15			Michael Jarrett	0	SLE	4	0	4	3451/2	
16			Kamara Sarah	0	SLE	4	0	4	344	1
17	12		Ibrahim Santigie Conteh	0	SLE	4	0	4	3301/2	
18			Mohamed Kamara	0	SLE	4	0	4	327	2
19			Sonia Boyle	0	SLE	4	0	3	339	2
20	9		Fadlu Ahmed Sesay	0	SLE	31/2	0	3	359	2
21	4		Samuel Kamara	1441		3	0		3421/2	
22	18		Mohamed Abdul Turay	0	SLE	2	1	2	3101/2	
23	24		Sahr K Tenequee	0	SLE	2	0	2	319	1
24	8		Brima Momoh	0	SLE	1	0	1	320	1
25	7		Bah Mariama Djelo	0	SLE	0	0	0	801/2	0
26	16		Ken Gabbidon	0	SLE	0	0	0	77	0

2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championships-OPEN									
Final ra	anking	for	the trophy winner						
Rank	SNo.		Name	Rtg	FED	Pts	Res.	Rapid game	Groupe
1	2	CM	Kamara Ansumana	1848	SLE	8	1	1½	Open
2	3		Adeshole Beckley Brian	1619	SLE	8	0	1/2	Open
3	20		Moses Ina Ebenezer Conteh	0	SLE	5	0	1½	U20
4	10		Hussain Dauda Bangura	0	SLE	5	0	1/2	U20
5	11		Ibrahim Akmed Sesay	0	SLE	41/2	0		U17
6	26		Sonia Boyle	0	SLE	4	0	2	Female
7	15		Kamara Sarah	0	SLE	4	0	0	Female

2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championships-OPEN

Final ranking

Rank	SNo.		Name	Rtg	FED	Pts	Res.	Vict	BHs	Vict	Prizes (USD)
1	2	CM	Kamara Ansumana	1848	SLE	8	1	8	414½	3	3000
2	3		Adeshole Beckley Brian	1619	SLE	8	0	8	421½	3	3000
3	1		Winston Gerald Mansfield Thomas	1872	SLE	7½	0	7	429	3	1500
4	23		Saa Joseph Tenequee	0	SLE	6	0	6	417½	2	
5	25		Sesay Mohamed	0	SLE	5½	0	5	395	2	
6	14		Kabba Bangura	0	SLE	5	0	5	395	2	
7	21		Osman Sankoh	0	SLE	5	0	5	390	2	
8	20		Moses Ina Ebenezer Conteh	0	SLE	5	0	5	374½	3	750
9	10		Hussain Dauda Bangura	0	SLE	5	0	5	368	2	
10	5		Abdul Rahman Toronka	0	SLE	5	0	5	365½	2	
11	6		Antic Sebastian	0	SLE	5	0	5	354	1	
12	11		Ibrahim Akmed Sesay	0	SLE	4½	0	4	356	2	750
13	22		Peter Issa Tarawallie	0	SLE	4	0	4	3721/2	3	
14	13		Issa Kamara	0	SLE	4	0	4	350½	2	
15	17		Michael Jarrett	0	SLE	4	0	4	345½	3	
16	15		Kamara Sarah	0	SLE	4	0	4	344	1	
17	12		Ibrahim Santigie Conteh	0	SLE	4	0	4	330½	3	
18	19		Mohamed Kamara	0	SLE	4	0	4	327	2	
19	26		Sonia Boyle	0	SLE	4	0	3	339	2	1000
20	9		Fadlu Ahmed Sesay	0	SLE	3½	0	3	359	2	
21	4		Samuel Kamara	1441	SLE	3	0	3	342½	2	
22	18		Mohamed Abdul Turay	0	SLE	2	1	2	310½	2	
23	24		Sahr K Tenequee	0	SLE	2	0	2	319	1	
24	8		Brima Momoh	0	SLE	1	0	1	320	1	
25	7		Bah Mariama Djelo	0	SLE	0	0	0	80½	0	
26	16		Ken Gabbidon	0	SLE	0	0	0	77	0	



Sierra Leone Chess Federation

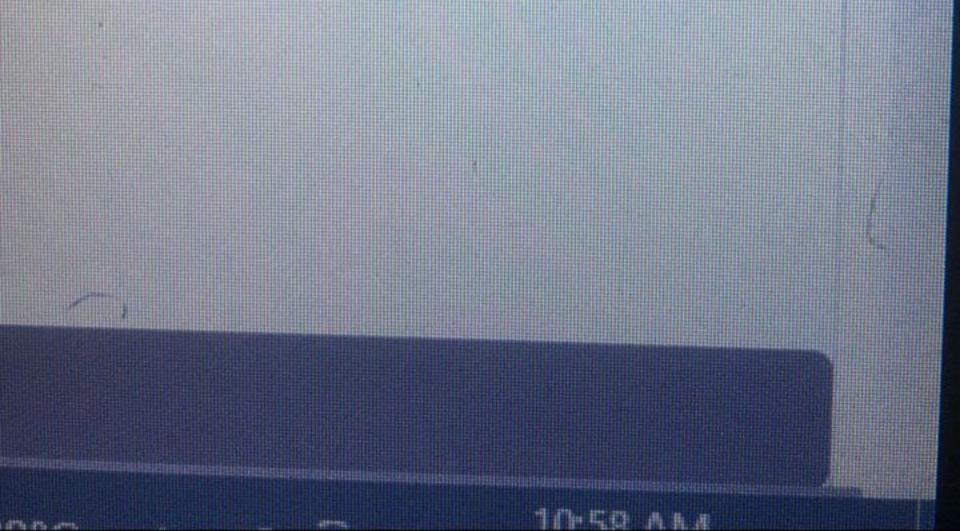
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	23 Under 1700 Open Chess Champion- ships	€ (Euros)			
Income:	•				
Hotel Compliments		400			
Tournament Fees					
FIDE Grant		2500			
		3,050			
Expe	enses (€)				
Printing & Stationery	150				
Trophies	300				
Medals	250				
Printing of T-Shirts & Banners	300				
Hosting of Foreign Players & Official	1600				
Hall & Refreshment 500					
Media	500				
Prize Fund					
Payments of Arbiters & Officials	350				
Deficit		€ (4500)			
		€ 1500			
Note:					
 Four Liberian players and one official were inv accommodation were not good enough and w officials. 	vited from Liberia and we hosted them at Hotel Barm ve wanted to maintain one good reputation with fore	oi. The local ign players and			
The International Arbiter from Togo did not co local arbiters throughout the tournament, stip	ome due to high air ticket prices. He was constantly bend of €200 was paid to him through Western Union	online with our			
3. The sum of five hundred euros (€500) meant	for Arbiter's air ticket was used to settle part of the	deficit.			
 The sum of One Thousand Euros (€ 1000) me settle the deficit. 	eant to pay the first agreed payment with FIDE accou	ints was used to			

Ansumana Kamara

President

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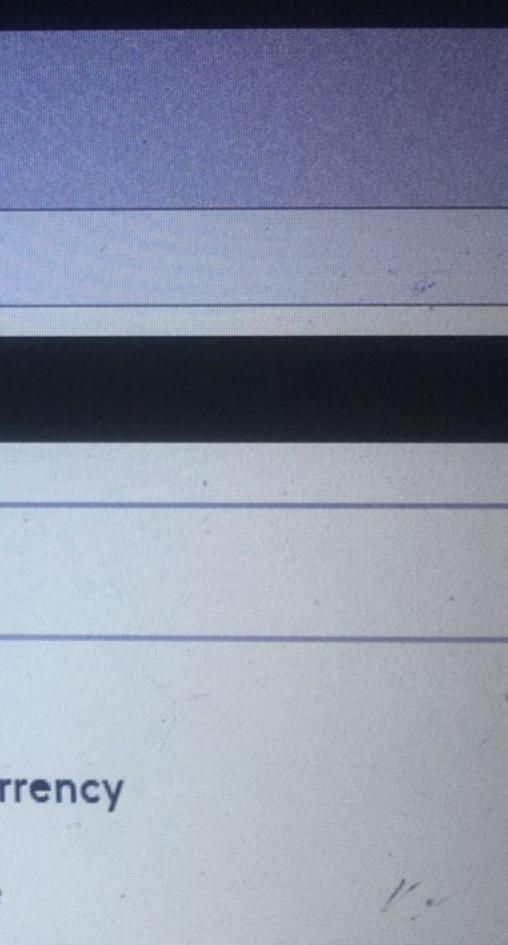
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Sierra Leone Chess Federation

Presents

Prizes NLe

3,600 1st Prize 2nd Prize 2,400 1,500 **3rd Prize 4th Prize** 1,000 **5th Prize Best Junior** 750 6th Prize Best Female 750 Hotel Barmoi, 75C Cape Road, Freetown

Registration Feet NLe 100

For more Information Call: +23278368655 +232 32835765

Sponsors:



Under 1700 open Chess Time Control: 1hr 30mins plus 30 seconds per move

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 1st Prize
 3,500

 2nd Prize
 2,500

 3rd Prize
 1,500

 Best Female
 1,000

 Best Junior
 750

 Best Under 1700
 750

Registration Fee: NLe 100

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By Brian James

average, Chess status in the upper echelon of sports has been cemented. believed to have exponentially increased worldwide interest. With 60 million matches being played every day on the due of sports has been comented. chess' already significant popularity rids and its portrayal in the 2020 Netflix hit tv miniseries are to have exponentially increased worldwide interest. With 60 million matches being played every a red to have exponentially increased worldwide interest. With 60 million matches being played every a red to have exponentially increased worldwide interest. With 60 million matches being played every a red to have exponentially increased worldwide interest. With 60 million matches being played every a red to have exponentially increased worldwide interest. With 60 million matches being played every a red to have exponentially increased worldwide interest. With 60 million matches being played every a red to have exponentially increased worldwide interest. game of chess has become. With top tormore registered over the last two years. Covid 19 lockdowns game of chess laready significant popularity has skyrocketed over the last two years. Covid 19 lockdowns game chess already significant popularity has play and its portrayal in the 2020 Netflix hit ty mining the second statement of the second s events of millions of players around any more players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of chess has become. With top ranked players earning as much as 100,000 dollars per game of the same of chess has become. erens of millions of players around the world are a testament to the global phenomenon that the erens of millions of players around the varies earning as much as 100,000 dollars per the

it out for cash prizes in the means meaning resident and national champion Ansumana Kamara expectations of the federation," says the federation president and national champion Ansumana Kamara. The top five winners of the tournament will form the national team for Sierra Leone until we play the next t out for cash prizes in the men's women's and children's categories. "The competition surpassed the The International Chess Federation situated in Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National National Individual Championship. Organized by a October 2023 and among them is the 2023 Sierra Leone National Nationa in October 2023 and among them is when when the Minister Dr Moining Sengeh as Chief Patron, the tournament the Sena Leone Chess Federation, with Chief Minister Dr Moining Skill levels. Over the course of 5 days the tournament average. Chess status in one of the average of the state the Send Leane Chess rederation, minimum of varying skill levels. Over the course of 5 days, they battled and children's categories. "The competition survey battled



tournament in 2024."

2024. Individual Chess Championship in of a good showing at the African international Federation has played in four Chess Olympiads the come second in its group during the 44th Chess Olympiad, just competition, even managing to behind 0 Sierra Leone increasing the presence Sierra Maldives. profile has always had Б Leone every intention After having internationa by making country's Chess

smarter?" It is generally agreed that chess does increase capabilities of all our students wi is little to no debate around the change," declares Kamara. There game. If we take chess seriously question students. Leone, the popularity of chess in Sierra has its sights set on increasing More importantly, the federation this ş country, "does chess make you "Chess is a NAVPIS. the especiali thinking mento among

children. In his (now the Democratic Republic of study he discusses the and Aptitudes, strengthened Congo). Frank and verbal aptitudes. A research chess, which Improves Cognition in Children cites a Venezuelan study of over paper increase in 4000 systematically studying chess." scores after Sierra Leone's education system in terms of being on a has often national champion the Sierra Leone C second-grade titled even "found conducted in downward trajectory been criticized for most a is the President only 4.5 months of found that learning book titled Chess results of quality. In a public ess Federation an Dr Albert Frank both Chess as 0 students' teenagers, significant numerical students, a 1973 n Zaire Training ō Dr Julius Spencer lamented that "we have not trained one side of our brain." This was in reference to the revolutionary research of neuroscientist Roger W Sperry neurobiologist American Sperry's "split brain theory" posits that the human brain is divided into two - the left side, which and the right brain, which is is logical, ordered, calculative creative, free, a lover of art and imagination. Failure to nurture the "right brain" in children, notes Dr Spencer, "lacking imagination" and being unable to "think outside the has resulted in Sierra Leoneans box." A German research team on a chess board stimulates development in both sides of discovered that solving problems higher cognitive function as well children's brains, resulting as creativity. convinced that introducing more Ansumana Kamara and the Sierra children to chess via the schools Leone Chess will increase their brain power. It has been attempted before, but not at a nationwide scale. "We are currently looking for a place to set up our federation neuropsychologist and passionate and Federation are cognitive Spencer, the get our headquarters, which we can use as a springboard to all the regions in Sierra Leone. Our main aim is to take chess first to the schools and then to all the 5 district headquarters." At present, chess is enjoyed by a niche community in Sierra Leone appeal of checkers with nowhere near the widespread Kamara make chess more mainstream but he is optimistic. "With the right financial challenges in his bid to support, chess will grow rapidly in Sierra Leone," he says. "I would and even surpass a lot of sports advise everyone to know chess. It helps you to be a rational person who can make rational decisions." " Failure to nurture the "right brain" in children... has imagination". resulted in Sierra Leoneans "lacking acknowledges (droughts)

Director and former Minister of lecture held on the Fourah Bay Information College Campus, Premier Media and Communication





there," headquarters so that we can do our tuitions and tournaments hoping that by next year we will says Kamara. "We're