Thank you, Mr Speaker.

Mr Speaker, in associating myself with the Statement made by the Hon Minister for Defence, I would want to congratulate all stakeholders who made the intervention to broker that peace accord. My question is this, can something be done about transfer of power in the light of how we traumatise our citizens any time there are elections in Africa?

We all know Mr Speaker, that power belongs to the people and they trust it into our hands for a moment. But anytime there are elections and an incumbent loses, then there is tension. I therefore propose that; the ECOWAS Parliament should have to look at transitional provisions as enshrined in the various Constitutions.

I would suggest that, if an incumbent party loses, just as the Hon Member said, there must be an immediate transfer of power to an institution that we all recognise. The institution would represent the interest of the people, so that we can handle transitional provisions in a way that we would not be revisiting what we had in The Gambia. Just because at the end of the day, we spend money on unnecessary adventure.

Mr Speaker, with this, I humbly submit that in future we look seriously at how we transfer power.

Thank you for the opportunity.