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Continental News

Malawians Protest High Cost of Living, Alleged Corruption

In Malawi, protesters and opposition supporters chanted and marched Thursday in the commercial capital, Blantyre, to protest the high cost of living and alleged corruption. The demonstrators presented a petition to the office of President Lazarus



have lost so much resources for the past two years. We lost the COVID money and we cannot take it anymore. We are saying that they should leave the office and go home." Mbele also said Chakwera has failed to fulfill promises he made during his campaign two years ago, when he vowed to ensure food security to all Malawians

Chakwera. Joshua Chisa Mbele, leader of Action Against Impunity, a network of civil rights organizations behind the protest, accused the government of mishandling money Malawi received to fight COVID-19, among other alleged transgressions. "We are tired of a government which is stealing day and night," he said. "We

negligence." The president blamed the two for facilitating a fertilizer procurement deal which saw Malawi's government lose about \$725,000 to a British company that failed to supply the commodity. The issue was among those listed as grounds for Thursday's demonstration. Malawi's opposition parties supported the protest, saying it was justified. Protester Rebecca Mwale said the situation in the country was growing worse, with food prices unreasonably high and medicines in short supply. Mbele said he hopes Chakwera responds to the concerns once he sees the protesters' petition, which was presented to his office. "In the petition, we are saying that we want to see action. We have heard enough, we have spoken enough, we want to see action. We want Chakwera to show leadership. We want him to take action so that we preserve what is remaining as people's assets," Mbele said. Similar protests are expected Friday in Malawi's capital, Lilongwe, where protesters plan to march to the state house to present a petition directly to Chakwera. VOA

Ebola not out of hand in Uganda - Africa health chief

Africa's top health body has moved to reassure people that the Ebola outbreak in Uganda is "not getting out of hand". Ahmed Ogwel Ouma, the acting head of the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, told journalists that a successful contact-tracing campaign was keeping the spread under control, the Bloomberg news

ministry has recorded 109 cases and 30 deaths. On Wednesday, it was reported that six children in the same family in the capital, Kampala, had contracted Ebola. Viruses can spread faster in densely populated areas and this particular strain of Ebola - called the Sudan strain - has no vaccine yet. Earlier this month the districts at the epicentre of this



agency reports. Since the outbreak began in September, Uganda's health

outbreak, Mubende and Kassanda, were put under quarantine. BBC

Nigeria Marks Digital Currency Anniversary, Still Struggling for Its Adoption

The Central Bank of Nigeria is marking one year since launching Africa's first digital currency, the e-Naira, which leaders hoped would boost the economy and fight inflation. But one year later, critics say the e-Naira has not lived up to expectations. Top government officials, company executives and central bank officials marked the first anniversary of the e-Naira on Tuesday in Lagos. During the event, officials praised the digital currency and said more than 700,000 transactions worth \$18.3 million have taken place on its platform since the launch in October of last year. Officials also said the e-Naira has offered endless possibilities to Nigerians in the financial services

sector. Central Bank Governor Godwin Emefiele spoke during the event. "As we speak today, some of the fears that we had at the time of introducing our digital currency which was predominantly centered around the risk of fraud and all that ... we have not witnessed any," Central Bank Governor Godwin Emefiele said during the event. "The e-Naira is expected to enhance financial inclusion, support poverty reduction, enable direct welfare disbursement to citizens, support a resilient

payment ecosystem, improve availability and usability of central bank money, facilitate diaspora remittances [and] reduce the cost of processing cash."

technology company, said authorities are moving too slowly.

The e-Naira is Africa's first central bank digital currency and the second in the world, after the Sand Dollar in the Bahamas. Nigerian authorities say the e-Naira, in theory, maintains its value better the country's actual currency, which has lost up to 40 percent of its value in the past year. On Monday, in the lead-up to the anniversary, the CBN held street campaigns and pushed for its adoption among local tricycle riders in many cities including the capital. Authorities offered riders a 5% discount to encourage them to subscribe. Digital currency expert Messiah Ogbuagu welcomed the campaign. "I feel what they're doing right now is the right step in the right direction," Ogbuagu said. "I don't think it is too late, it's a new technology and people need time to understand it, people need time to trust it." But Kindness Udobong, chief executive officer of Bitrency, a digital

"This kind of campaign is supposed to have been carried along at the launch of the project," Udobong said. "There's supposed to have been this massive enlightenment, awareness, incentivization for adoption, not waiting for one year. Why do you have to wait for one year before you begin grassroots sensitization? We actually expected the e-Naira to have become more like a household name by now." The central bank aims to grow its e-Naira merchant base from about 4,000 to more than 7,000 across Nigeria in the coming weeks. Ogbuagu said the government must engage with private sector players if it wants widespread adoption of the currency. "The awareness and the means of usage of the e-Naira is not yet clear to the people," Ogbuagu said. "If the right information is being passed, the e-Naira is a good thing, it helps to achieve the government's plan of a cashless economy. Give it to the influencers, give it to the youths, and we can push this message to the people directly. In 10 years, it's achievable." Until then, critics say, awareness, education, and internet access could still pose a challenge. VOA



Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari, center, and Central Bank governor Godwin Emefiele, right, launch a digital currency in Abuja, Oct. 25, 2021.

EDITORIAL

LISGIS' credibility hangs in the balance

WHATEVER IS LEFT of the Liberia Institute for Statistics and Geo-Information (LISGIS) that is supposed to conduct the 2022 National Population and Housing Census in the country is nothing to write home about.

CORRUPTION, LACK OF transparency and accountability at every process along the way, including withdrawals of money from the census fund basket without proper explanations, recruitment and deployment of enumerators across the country leading to conducting the actual census has dragged LISGIS' image into the mud.

THE STATISTICS HOUSE or authorities there have compromised everything regarding this critical process to the extent that even faith in the conduct of the actual census, if there would be any, has eroded.

HAULING AND PULLING between key oversight actors at the 54th Liberian Legislature and LISGIS over planning and execution of the census process has laid bare the depth of lack of coordination in having the 2022 National Population and Housing Census conducted before elections next year.

EVEN EXPERT OPINIONS about LISGIS' works have not been so supportive or welcoming, principally because of the shallow manner in which the Institute has proceeded towards the conduct of census.

IT IS BECOMING increasingly clear that whatever will come from LISGIS as census results after November 22, 2022 would have been compromised because the start of the entire process has been nothing but messy.

AUDIT REPORT HAS indicted LISGIS for misappropriation of census money, which authorities of the Institute are yet to speak on publicly.

IT IS SO DISAPPOINTING and embarrassing that critical issue such as census, which partners and friendly governments are supporting, is being handled so poorly by this administration.

PRESIDENT GEORGE MANNEH Weah has refused to speak on circumstances impeding smooth conduct of the census, so is his Minister of Finance and Development Planning, Samuel Tweah, who chairs the Board of LISGIS.

THE WEAH ADMINISTRATION should be ashamed of itself that it cannot demonstrate competence and trust in the conduct of the 2022 National Population and Housing Census that the country and international partners need desperately to plan development programs.

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COMMENTARY

By Eddie Ndopu

Human Rights Without Handicaps

NEW YORK - When the United Nations was built from the rubble of World War II, it would have been inconceivable for someone like me - a young, Black, gay wheelchair user - to be considered for a top job in the organization. So, it is a stunning testament to the distance humanity has come since 1945 that I will be among the candidates the UN will consider to succeed Michelle Bachelet when she leaves her post next month as the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights.

If selected, I would be the highest-ranking international civil servant with a disability since the UN was founded. This would be a historic victory for the 1.3 billion disabled people who, according to the UN, comprise the world's largest minority group.

The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, signed in 2007, has helped to advance inclusion across the board. But to see someone in a wheelchair in a position of power is still highly unusual. In many parts of the world today, the face of ostracization is still that of a brown-skinned disabled kid.

I could easily have been that kid. But you could say my experience as a human-rights advocate began at the age of six, when - with tears streaming down my face - I told my mother, "I want to go to school."

Life for a kid in a wheelchair in Namibia, where I spent the first nine years of my life, is often extremely limited - as it is in much of the developing world. According to the UN, 90-98% of kids with disabilities in the Global South do not have the opportunity to go to school at all.

At the time, indeed, I was beating the odds just to be alive. As a two-year-old, I was diagnosed with spinal muscular atrophy, a deadly degenerative disease that attacks the nervous system. Doctors told my mother I would most likely not live to see my fifth birthday. I am now 31.

My mother, who wiped the tears from my eyes, was determined. She found a school willing to take me. On my first day, I was placed at the very back of the classroom. It was clear little was expected of me. I stunned the teacher by writing my own name - something most of the other kids could not do. A smile spread across her face. She saw that I could learn just like, or maybe sometimes faster, than the others.

That experience taught me to reach high, no matter the obstacles in my path. My candidacy to succeed Bachelet seeks to push the boundaries of possibility, not just for people with disabilities but for anyone who has ever felt devalued, underestimated, and marginalized.

If selected, I would be the youngest leader at the main leadership level. The UN often emphasizes the importance of engaging

young people, given our stake in the future. And yet we are an unrepresented demographic at the institution. Selecting a young leader for this position would give fresh impetus and authority to the work of the UN High Commissioner.

Attainment of human rights for all very often feels like an impossible pursuit, especially now, when everything feels impossible. But, as Nelson Mandela pointed out, it always seems impossible until it is done.

I had to remind myself of these words some time back, when I was still at Amnesty International and had the impossible mandate of bringing together two groups known to be distrustful of each other: business leaders and human-rights defenders. I persuaded them to listen to each other as part of a campaign to hold extractive industries to account for human-rights violations in Africa.

At a time when the world is increasingly fractured and it feels as though we have simply stopped listening to one another, I think the office of UN High Commissioner for Human Rights is uniquely qualified to address the most pressing challenges of our day. For the first time since 2001, a majority of the world's population lives under non-democratic, rights-violating governments. We face heightened nationalism, an emerging economic crisis, and a global pandemic - a health crisis that too many governments have met by claiming emergency powers and adopting restrictions that often violate rights. And of course, the conflicts in Ukraine, the Sahel, Myanmar, and a host of other places create their own significant rights concerns.

The UN High Commissioner plays a crucial role in times like these, serving as a beacon for the principles of human rights and championing those who bravely speak out when they see violations around the world. As UN Secretary-General António Guterres has said, human rights underpin "the entire UN system. [They] are essential to addressing the broad causes and impacts of all complex crises, and to building sustainable, safe, and peaceful societies."

Should the Secretary-General select me for this role, my job will be to identify and expose rights violations tirelessly, no matter what powerful interests stand in the way, and to engage with civil-society advocates to make the UN's work more participatory and more relevant to driving change.

I am, admittedly, an outside-the-box candidate for this post - an impossible choice, some might say. But I believe, in these times especially, that fresh thinking, new energy, and an ability to see how to overcome seemingly impossible barriers is exactly what the world needs.

Eddie Ndopu, a human-rights activist, is a Sustainable Development Goals advocate for the UN Secretary-General.



Lord, Yor listen to dis Kpelle Chief Aye

Dear Father,

Hmm, I hope my village pepo dem listened to dis Kpelle Chief the orther day oo. De man wor very bold.

He say every day we coursing dem (chiefs) at de Traditional Council for not working for us and how dey only care for deir ownsef. Bor when voting time come da we de same pepo can go put dem back. Yor hear it!

De man say, if we de village pepo know da dey are not working in our favor, de best thin to do wen voting time come is to move dem from dere. Bor he say, instead of us moving dem, we can go and put dem back-yor listen oo.

My son talky loud so everybody can hear it.

Yes, oo Father. De me say de only way dey will know da dey are not doing good job for we at de Traditional Council is to vote dem from dere.

Aah, da it dere oo my son.

Father, you know, it painful bor da true dis Kpelle Chief talk. You see, every day da we de same pepo can be complaining how de chiefs over dere at de Traditional Council are good for nothin pepo.

In fact, we can say dey are not doing anything for we; Dey go dere to chop for demselves and anything Mr. Preh'en say da wa dey can go by. Bor da de one you talking slow so my son?

Father, sometimes we can say dey na even get voice to talk for we, bor we can still put dem back., so it means we de villagers are our own problem-na de chief or de Preh'en.

And you see oo, right na, everybody complaining about dis Jorweah Govormen, bor let voting time come. You see everybody running up and down here saying de town hard, dis Jorweah Govormen corrupt; de pepo jus stealing bla, blab la.

Da de same pepo will go be singing doing voting time saying "yor le us oo, da Jorweah we want."

So, de Chief is right. If we know da dey na working for us, we suppose to moo dem from bor we de same pepo can put dem back. So, da who supposed to be complaining na?

Father, you see de thin dis Kpelle Chief talk so, it make plenty sense. It mean da na de pepo we put in powe get de problem. Da we who put dem dere get de problem.

Anyway, da our village for you. De pepo we say no get sense say we who get de sense da we keep putting dem in power.

Ehn voting time coming next year, we will see if de thin de Kpelle Chief talk, our pepo can

O-PED

by Angus Deaton

Who Broke American Democracy?

PRINCETON - The current mainstream narrative in the United States holds that democracy is under threat from MAGA zealots, election deniers, and Republicans who are threatening to ignore unfavorable results (as well as recruiting loyalists to oversee elections and police polling places).

That narrative is true, but only up to a point. There is another, longer-running story with a different set of malefactors. It's a story in which, for more than 50 years, Americans without college degrees have seen their lives deteriorate over a range of material, health, and social outcomes.

Although two-thirds of the adult US population does not have a four-year college degree, the political system rarely responds to their needs and has frequently enacted policies that harm them in favor of corporate interests and better-educated Americans. What has been "stolen" from them is not an election, but the right to participate in political decision-making - a right that is supposedly guaranteed by democracy. Viewed in this light, their efforts to seize control of the voting system are not so much a repudiation of fair elections as an attempt to make elections deliver some of what they want.

Consider some of the outcomes that are motivating this cohort. Even before the pandemic, life expectancy - a robust measure of social as well as individual health - had been falling for less-educated men since 2010, and for less-educated women since 1990 or earlier. Younger cohorts of less-educated Americans report more pain at all ages than did older cohorts.

Moreover, labor-force participation has been falling for decades for less-educated men, and since 2000 for less-educated women. Real (inflation-adjusted) median wages for men without a college degree have trended down since 1970. Less-educated Americans have experienced a drop in marriage rates, and a rise in out-of-wedlock childbearing. Church attendance has declined, and many less-educated men are adrift from any supportive institution.

According to a recent New York Times/Siena poll, two-thirds of voters believe that government "mainly works to benefit powerful elites." This view is not confined to election deniers, or to Republicans, or to the less educated; but it is this last group that has suffered from the policies that political neglect permits. The federal minimum wage, for example, has not been increased since 2009.

Likewise, US politicians sold the North American Free Trade Agreement and China's accession to the World Trade Organization as win-win policies that would help Americans as well as Mexicans and Chinese. But, contrary to what economists promised and to what might have happened in the past, the subsequent job losses did not lead to people upgrading their jobs and moving to flourishing places. This was partly because those places were no longer affordable, and partly because the better jobs required something that the old jobs had not required: a four-year college degree.

True, there are exceptions. The Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) provided health insurance to tens of millions who were previously uninsured. But ensuring its passage meant buying off the health-care industry and thus trading away any chance of cost control. For most working Americans, health insurance is paid for by a flat tax on wages, which reduces pay for the least skilled and encourages firms to outsource and eliminate jobs. Given the financing of health insurance through the labor market, rising health-care costs are generating additional pressure on wages and good jobs for the less skilled.

Not only are votes in Congress biased toward better-heeled constituents; the issues that most concern non-elites - including single-payer health care, a public option for health insurance, and an increase in the minimum wage - never even make it on to the legislative agenda. Lobbyists are much more successful than voters at setting agendas.

It is very difficult (though not impossible) to be elected to Congress without deep-pocketed financial backing. While the US campaign-finance system rarely leads to outright corruption, it strongly selects for legislators who have a favorable view of business and of capital, not labor. Hence, congressional representatives eased laws in favor of, and blocked investigations into, the manufacturers and distributors of opioids that were poisoning their own constituents. It is hardly surprising that many of those who have been so mistreated are reluctant to accept vaccines promoted by a deeply mistrusted establishment.

Another problem is that firms have been increasing their mark-ups over costs, thereby redistributing income from labor to capital. Worse, this trend has been encouraged by a long-term weakening of antitrust enforcement, even though there is no popular support for weaker enforcement, nor have legislators taken positions in favor of it. The deed was done by regulators and judges who were selected for their expected susceptibility to pressure from pro-business groups.

The less-educated Americans who are at a greater risk of dying early did not all vote for Donald Trump in 2016 and 2020; but many of them did. The overlap can be seen by tabulating "deaths of despair" - from suicide, drug overdose, and alcoholic liver disease - across counties and matching them to Trump's share of the vote.

But there is an even tighter connection between mortality and election deniers. The New York Times looked at mortality in congressional districts and found that deaths of despair were higher in the congressional districts of the Republican representatives who voted against certifying Joe Biden's election than in the districts of the Republican representatives who did vote to certify. It is a case of democracy at work - albeit an angry, futile, and frustrated democracy.

Democracy is premised on equality. All citizens are supposed to have an equal chance to influence political decisions. MAGA voters may be threatening the system like never before, but they did not emerge from a vacuum.



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Press Release

Government of Liberia and International Partners Reaffirm Commitment to Delivering the 2022 National Population and Housing Census

The Government of Liberia acknowledges with regret that unforeseen technical and logistical challenges have necessitated a change in the enumeration schedule of the 2022 National Population and Housing Census, earlier set for 24th October to 7th November 2022.

The technical and logistical challenges arose due to unforeseen lapses in the Census Enumerators recruitment process.

To ensure transparency and accountability in the recruitment process, the Government of Liberia, and partners led by UNFPA, have reviewed the processes and have commissioned a Technical Committee to review the applications received and ensure due process in the selection of the potential enumerators based on specific technical criteria in respect of all applications received. The Committee has the task of ensuring that only those who applied through the application portal to serve as Census Enumerators are recruited. The process will be concluded at the earliest. The final list of trainees will be published no later than 29 October 2022, and all interested individuals are invited to view the names of successful candidates on the LISGIS website: www.lisgis.gov.lr

The Government of Liberia and its Partners also wish to inform all concerned individuals that an appropriate compensation package for the Enumerators and Supervisors will be provided. This includes reimbursements for expenses related to Tablets Charging, Tour Guides, Training, Transportation, and Refreshment.

The Census project had envisaged a complex recruitment process of Enumerators, which was why applications were requested from qualified Liberians across the country to facilitate local community participation in the project.

Meanwhile, the Census Steering Committee has lauded the House of Representatives leadership for the intervention and suggestion to adjust the Census enumeration timeline to a date to be agreed by the Senate and subsequently endorsed by His Excellency the President. The public will be informed of the new dates, likely to be within November 2022

In conclusion, the Government of Liberia and International Partners, led by UNFPA, commend all prospective Census Enumerators, trainers, and the general public for their patience and understanding of the delayed Census enumeration. They would like to reassure the people of Liberia that a credible and accurate Census Count remains their collective priority.

Signed:

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Degrees with no relevance

—Former UP Chair Modad critiques education in Liberia

By Lincoln G. Peters

Opposition Unity Party (UP) former chairman Mr. Amin Modad is seeking an answer to why many Liberians study Public Administration and other courses that are not 'relevant' to the growth of the country.

"Why is everyone pursuing Law and Public Administration degrees when we don't have skilled engineers, electricians, carpenters, agriculturists, hotel managers, [and] teachers?" said Modad.

Speaking recently in Sinkor when Salvation Army Polytechnic graduated scores of

understand that our comparative advantage lies in our society and our economy in our resources. We have... rainfall, fertile soil, and enough fish in our waters. Now we don't have farms and improved value-addition sites," Modad lamented.

He stated that Liberia is still importing rice, edible oil, and other things that can be locally produced at home here.

He admonished the graduates that Liberia is at a crossroads once again, saying the economy is declining, and quality education

responsible for themselves and others, they will be confronted by setbacks, failures, and disappointments.

"But I assure you today your graduation is a testament to the many possibilities, and your capacity to see them as challenges," he said.

Modad recommended that the Government of Liberia builds the technical capacity of the younger generation.

"Why there are many issues affecting our educational system, we need to understand that ... formal education is a small part of our nation," said Mr. Modad.

"We need to build a more viable, vibrant, and technical skill workforce and provide opportunities for you to grow beyond these certificates, diplomas, and associate degrees," he noted.

"This is why I am so pleased to see you graduating with



Former UP chairman Amin Modad

students in various professional academic disciplines, Modad warned that until national cautiousness and aspirations are in line with a long-term national agenda, Liberians are not going anywhere.

"We have a lot of formal academic degree holders in our society, many people who are aging without jobs, who are not contributing anything to our growth and transformation," said Mr. Modad.

He warned further that poverty will be entrenched in the country, and lamented that many of these degrees have "no relevance to where we are as a people and where we want to be as a people."

and healthcare are scarce and costly.

The former UP chair stated that good-paying jobs are hard to find and the cost of living is increasing every day.

Additionally, he argued that the economy here is still in the hands of foreigners, leaving him to wonder why Liberians anticipate an increase in road works and an expansion of service industries.

According to Modad, Liberia is still importing manpower from neighboring countries to address the skills and professional gap in society.

He told the graduates that as they become more and more

degrees and training in technical areas," he continued.

But he also challenged the students that their graduation from the polytechnic should not make them feel that their time of challenges in life is over.

Instead, he reminded them to see it as the beginning of their struggle.

He admonished the graduates that they are going out in a country where getting a job is difficult, and as such, they need to be strong and fight for their space in life.

"I however admonish you not to be complacent about your graduation today. You have just only crossed the first major hurt in your life," he said.

He disclosed that life is about choices people make, and if the graduates have made up their minds for a specific career, they need to

Women in politics take things for granted

—former Chief Justice Gloria Scott

Former Chief Justice of Liberia, Gloria Musu Scott, says women in the country take for granted, things that would hurt them during electoral processes.

Serving as a lead panelist at a one-day stakeholders meeting to ensure legal aid and legal response for violence against women participating in the 2023 General and Presidential Elections, Cllr. Scott recounted her own years in politics and her ability through votes of the people to win despite tougher systems against women.

the public the kind of violence against women", Lisa adds.

Giving her experience from the 2018 by-election of District#13 in Gardnerville, Aspirant Cornelius Kruah-Togbah explained that she was not targeted as a female candidate, but because she was an opposition female candidate in the election.

"You won't see men falling prey to this often, because if it is done, that male will fight his male counterpart back, but when it is female that woman will say let's leave it and go to a different place; the gender part is, we are afraid to fight back as women", Madam Kruah-Togbah notes.



The forum was hosted in Monrovia by a local women rights advocacy group, Organization for Women and Children (ORWOCH).

Cllr. Scott encourages Liberian women to take political issues strongly during elections, particularly their security and wellbeing, stressing that electoral issues require brainstorming.

"Chapter 10, of the elections law provides that, the National Elections Commission (NEC) should fine and revoke political parties that are found in elections violence", she reminds.

She also underscores a need for ORWOCH to look at the legal framework to make the appropriate recommendations to those actors who need to perform to ensure that security of women is provided and the atmosphere conducive to ensure participation of women.

"Accordingly; women need to insist on changing the laws, laws need to be looked at, because it is critical in elections. Always be aware of domestic violence like rape, and political violence among others; the mindset of society today is; politics and leadership belong to men, so if a woman tries to go into that area, they start to dig up her stories

The electoral process is to put Liberia back in order, the court and NEC decide cases but they see it as just another case to waste their time", she notes.

Also on the Panel, Women Rights Activist, Lisa Kinderveter Sieh stresses that women must first recognize that there is a problem, a huge denial of problems that they have faced with. She recommends that ORWOCH should review violence in the elections law, penal code, domestic violence, and other areas; stating, there are different violence against women that are hidden such as either a husband beating his wife because she attends a political scene or harassing women sexually for a job or on a job.

"We need more data collection on women's issues to be able to explain to

She recalls that in 2018, during her political rally, she downplayed the issue of security in politics, noting that, politics is a provocation.

Madam Kruah-Togbah expresses frustration that since the incident, there has been no redress from the National Elections Commission (NEC), the Liberia National Police (LNP), and the Judiciary Branch of Government, adding "The challenges until now is, no redress, no questioning from the Liberia National Police and no prosecution from the court; all of these things none of them had come out with anything."

However, she maintains all of those will not deter her to be on the ballot in 2023 for the representative seat in District 13.

According to the National Elections Commission as stated in its Violence Against Women protocol, "observations and analysis of recent electoral processes, namely the 2020 Special Senatorial Elections, 2019 by-elections and the 2017 and 2018 elections", there is an increase of acts of violence during elections, particularly against women candidates which constitute a threat to peaceful forthcoming elections and the democratic process in Liberia, if it is not addressed.

Violence Against Women in Elections is defined "any act or threat of an act that results in or is likely to result in physical, economic, sexual, or psychological harm or suffering to women activists, women's human rights defenders (WHRDs), women campaigners, women voters, and women elected to or holding any public or corporate office. This includes threats of such acts, coercion or deprivation of liberty with the intent of limiting women's rights or freedom of expression, voices and participation in elections and politics.

VAVE may be cultural, traditional, and/or religious, occurring in public and private spaces, including online (social media) and in traditional media (radio, telephone, television), in homes, political parties, communities, workplaces, and other spaces before, during and after elections, and in other political processes."

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Let's rescue Liberia from President Weah

-Bility rallies Liberians

By Thomas Domah /Nimba County

The National Chairman of the Collaborating Political Party (CPP) Mr. Musa Bility underscores the need to rescue Liberia from President George Weah, pointing to poor living condition and suffering that

Weah a one-term President come 2023.

Mr. Bility made the call to change Liberia's current predicament around in Garr Disgomon Town during welcome program for a son of the town, who is executive of the CPP based in the United States of America.

He rallies citizens of Garr

prices of various commodities in the country, including rice, Liberia's staple with a 25kgs beg of rice now being sold for UD\$30 or an equivalent of 4,500 Liberian Dollars.

For his part, visiting executive of the CPP from the United States, Mr. Nya Bomah, expressed disappointment and frustrations in the Weah administration for poorly governing the country.

Mr. Bomah said Liberians in the U.S. can't boast of the Weah Presidency, as the only news from Liberia is about corruption and hardship citizens are currently faced with throughout the country. He grades the performance of the Weah-led government as 30 percent.

At the same time, Journalist Flomo has thanked Chairman Bility for supporting development in the district.

Some citizens of Garr Clan, who spoke to this paper, said Nya will be the best candidate to replace incumbent Representative Prince O.S. Tokpah, who is completing his second term in office. Editing by Jonathan Browne



have engulfed citizens.

Mr. Bility says to achieve this would require the involvement of all Liberians, adding that Liberia can be changed around with unity and togetherness of all citizens.

He joins those calling on voters to make President

administrative district to rather support the CPP for a better Liberia by making Mr. Weah a one-term President.

Also speaking during the ceremony, Liberian Journalist Nyah G. Flomo, who is a representative hopeful for district#2, lamented current hike in

NEC to hear Nyonblee's complaint

Additionally, the Commission informs the Rainbow Alliance and the

People's Restoration Party

party chairman Musa Bility are controlling two separate factions of the party.

Amidst the internal party conflict, the NEC has been



Senator Nyonblee Karnga-Lawrence



NEC Boss Davidetta Brown-Lansannah

whose respective cases have been pending before the

Commission prior to Senator Lawrence's October 3rd complaint, that their

matters will also be looked into in the coming week.

Liberty Party has been in a prolonged internal crisis. Political leader Senator Karnga-Lawrence and the embattled

reported of allegedly recognizing Bility's Liberty Party's association with the Alternative National Congress (ANC) of Mr. Alexander B. Cummings.

Karnga-Lawrence has been reported of accusing the commission of allegedly undermining the party's stability, thus threatening political and legal actions.

Sen. Smith urges students to obtain quality education

River Cess County Senator Wellington G. Smith has challenged students to add value to their lives by acquiring quality education. Senator Smith noted that rather than engaging in activities that will add no value to them, young Liberians should focus on their education sojourn.

Speaking Wednesday, 26 October at the seventh graduation of Faith Mission Academy of the Apostolic Faith School System in Gaye Town, Old Road, he said it is unfortunate to see some youths being addicted to drugs, while others continue to strive for education thru high school.

Smith noted that despite current economic constraints engulfing Liberia, some parents remained focus in supporting their children's education which is a good investment for the future.

He said Liberian children should not take their education for granted, but keep pressing forward because it is the key



River Cess County Senator Wellington G. Smith

that would transform their lives, communities and the country at large.

Also speaking, the principal of the school, J. yohyah N. Salwah, II, said Faith Mission Academy has been crowned "Ambassador" in quizzing competitions in Greater Monrovia.

Principal Salwah disclosed that the school has produced the first Africa Best Female in Quizzing, disclosing that a former quizzing student of the school, who is

currently instructor will join another instructor and other potential Liberians to embark on a quizzing trip to Europe to represent Liberia.

He noted that supporting education in Liberia is more critical now, so government and partners should invest more in education to drive national development. Editing by Jonathan Browne

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Français

Les sénateurs veulent savoir pourquoi le Président Weah a nié la crise du riz.

La plénière du Sénat libérien souhaite que le président George Manneh Weah dise qui lui a fait croire qu'il y avait suffisamment de riz dans le pays lors qu'il est revenu de New York où il avait pris part à l'Assemblée générale des Nations Unies le mois dernier.

Elle a donc mandaté la ministre libérienne du Commerce, Madame Mawine Diggs, pour interroger le

Nations Unies, affirmant qu'il s'agissait des rumeurs de rue.

Le Sénat libérien a également décidé que le ministre Diggs soit sous serment pour soumettre aux comités des comptes publics et des audits et des voies, moyens, finances et budget tous les documents pertinents relatifs à la subvention du riz et aux dépenses des 15,5 millions de dollars. Cette décision a été prise à la suite de sa comparution devant le Sénat libérien.

prix d'un sac de riz de 25 kg a augmenté de 2 250 LRD à 4 000 LRD ou plus selon les endroits. Et pendant que la crise faisait ravage, l'administration Weah ne faisait que nier la pénurie de riz, tout en faisant croire qu'il y avait assez de riz dans le pays.

Le président Weah avait rejeté la nouvelle de la pénurie de riz et insisté sur le fait qu'il y avait suffisamment de riz dans le pays. Il avait exhorté les Libériens à garder leur calme, puis promis de vérifier les informations. Mais la crise n'a fait que persister malgré l'assurance du président.

Dans un autre développement, la plénière du Sénat libérien a rejeté les excuses des ministres des finances et de la planification du développement, Samuel D. Tweah, et de l'agriculture, Jeanine M. Cooper.

Les deux ministres ont été mandatés pour comparaître devant le Sénat libérien le mardi 1er novembre 2022 à midi pour montrer la raison pour laquelle ils ne devraient pas être tenus pour outrages.

La plénière estime que les deux ministres, au lieu de s'excuser, auraient dû donner instruction à leurs principaux adjoints de comparaître en leur nom.

Cette décision a été prise par un vote en plénière après la lecture des lettres d'excuse des ministres indiquant qu'ils sont tous les deux hors du pays. Ils ont demandé à la Plénière de reprogrammer leurs comparutions.



Minister Mawine Diggs

President Weah

président Weah sur sa source d'information concernant la suffisance de l'aliment de base du pays pendant que les populations avaient du mal à s'en procurer.

L'enquête des sénateurs auprès du ministre Diggs intervient un mois après que le président Weah a rejeté les informations sur la pénurie de riz à son retour de l'Assemblée générale des

Sa comparution faisait suite à une communication du sénateur Jonathan L. Kaipay qui lui avait demandé de faire face à un « comité plénier » par rapport à l'évolution troublante entourant la pénurie de l'aliment de base du pays.

Au début de la crise du riz, les distributeurs forçaient les détaillants d'acheter d'autres marchandises avant de se faire servir en riz contre leur gré. Le

fois, mais ils ont été renvoyés. J'appelle le président, vous m'avez envoyé pour enquêter, mais je n'ai pas fait l'objet d'une enquête et cela tue ma famille », a dit Morris en larmes.

Le 10 juin 2021, le président Weah a suspendu le directeur général de la LWSC, M. Duannah A. Kamara, et son adjoint, M. Sensee J. Morris, avec effet

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Suspendu, le directeur financier de la LWSC demande des enquêtes

M. Sensee J. Morris, directeur général adjoint des finances de Liberia Water and Sewer Corporation (LWSC), qui fut suspendu par le Président Weah, demande qu'il fasse l'objet d'une enquête pour blanchir son nom car sa jeune famille se meurt en raison de la suspension indéfinie par laquelle il a été frappé.

« M. le Président, je vous appelle, veuillez regarder dans ma direction. Une jeune famille meurt simplement parce que j'ai voulu faire ce qui est normal », a plaidé récemment M. Morris auprès du président George Manneh Weah.

« Mes enfants ne vont pas à l'école actuellement. Nous avons essayé plusieurs



Suspended Liberia Water and Sewer Cooperation (LWSC) Deputy Managing Director for Finance Mr. Sensee J. Morris says

Éditorial

La crédibilité de LISGIS est en jeu

Tout ce qui reste de l'Institut libérien des statistiques et de la géo-information (LISGIS) qui est censé mener le recensement national de la population et des logements de 2022 dans le pays n'a rien d'extraordinaire.

La corruption, le manque de transparence et le détournement des fonds du recensement ont fini par entraîner l'image du LISGIS dans la boue.

Les autorités de cette institution d'intégrité ont tout compromis au point que la confiance dans le recensement réel s'est érodée.

Les accusations mutuelles entre les principaux acteurs de l'institution devant le parlement libérien sur la planification et l'exécution du processus du recensement national de la population et du logement de 2022 avant les élections de l'année prochaine ont mis à nu l'ampleur du manque de coordination.

Même les avis des experts sur les travaux de LISGIS ne sont pas aussi favorables, principalement en raison de la manière superficielle dont l'Institut procède.

Il devient de plus en plus clair que le résultat du recensement qui proviendra du LISGIS après le 22 novembre 2022 aura été compromis car le début de l'ensemble du processus n'a été que désordonné.

Le rapport d'audit a inculpé le LISGIS pour détournement de l'argent du recensement, dont les autorités de l'Institut n'ont pas encore parlé publiquement.

Il est tellement décevant et embarrassant que des questions cruciales telles que le recensement, que les partenaires et les gouvernements amis soutiennent, soient si mal gérées par cette administration.

Le président George Manneh Weah a refusé de s'exprimer sur les circonstances empêchant le bon déroulement du recensement, tout comme son ministre des Finances et de la Planification du développement, Samuel Tweah, qui préside le conseil d'administration du LISGIS.

L'administration Weah devrait avoir honte de ne pas pouvoir démontrer sa compétence et sa confiance dans le Recensement national de la population et du logement de 2022 dont ces partenaires nationaux et internationaux ont désespérément besoin pour planifier des programmes de développement.

Français

Suspendu, le directeur financier de

immédiat.

Il a suspendu les deux à la suite d'une information faisant état de troubles et d'allégations de corruption, dans l'attente d'une enquête approfondie.

En outre, le président Weah a demandé à la Commission générale d'audit (GAC) de procéder immédiatement à un audit d'investigation.

S'exprimant récemment à Monrovia, M. Morris a révélé que cela fait maintenant plus de seize à dix-sept mois qu'il attend la GAC pour mener l'audit, mais en vain. Cette dernière aurait refusé de procéder à l'enquête. Pourtant, son collègue avec lequel il a été suspendu a été interrogé et aujourd'hui il a repris son travail.

Il a exprimé son profond mécontentement face au refus de la GAC de mener son enquête sur l'allégation de corruption et de troubles faites contre lui.

Il a fait savoir que depuis que le président Weah l'a suspendu en même temps que le directeur général de la LWSC, la Commission ne l'a pas invité pour être interrogé. Il accuse la GAC d'être à la base des graves difficultés économiques auxquelles lui et toute sa famille sont confrontés. Il s'est dit incapable actuellement de subvenir aux besoins fondamentaux de sa famille parce qu'il n'a plus d'emploi.

« Si j'ai perdu la confiance du président et qu'il ne veut plus que je travaille avec lui, qu'il me permette pacifiquement de poursuivre ma vie privée afin que je puisse prendre soin de ma jeune famille qui souffre. Le président Weah peut me limoger définitivement ou me réintégrer s'il le veut. Qu'il fasse ce qu'il veut », a-t-il dit.

« Je demande à la Commission Générale d'Audit de me convoquer pour m'interroger afin que je puisse donner ma version des faits. Je suis prêt à faire l'objet d'une enquête. Je me suis rendu disponible à plusieurs reprises et j'ai fait des efforts, mais ils ont refusé de m'interroger », a déploré Morris.

« Qu'ils ouvrent une enquête pour soit me disculper ou me reconnaître coupable. Et si je suis coupable, je suis prêt à subir

la punition qu'il faut. Alors qu'ils ne fassent pas souffrir ma famille. Je travaille pour que ma famille survive », a-t-il ajouté.

Morris a rappelé qu'il avait été nommé en septembre 2018 par le président et qu'il avait reçu du président le mandat de directeur général adjoint des finances pour diriger et contrôler les affaires financières de la LWSC.

En tant que professionnel qui travaille depuis plus de 13 ans dans le domaine de la finance et de la comptabilité, il a déclaré y voir un moyen de bien servir son pays.

Et ainsi, il a décidé de faire preuve de discipline et d'éthique pour respecter les meilleures pratiques et les normes internationales.

« Il y a eu certaines mauvaises choses que j'ai vues et il doit être clair ici que je ne pouvais pas les supporter en tant que professionnel et j'ai donc dû sonner l'alarme », a déclaré Morris.

Il a raconté qu'il était expulsé du bureau parce qu'il voulait que la bonne chose soit faite.

« Avant ma suspension, pendant plus d'un an, j'ai signalé ces problèmes en interne, mais cela n'a jamais été pris en compte », a déclaré Morris.

Il a dit qu'il avait été appelé soudainement pour autoriser le décaissement d'une somme de 99 000 dollars américains, mais il avait refusé de le faire parce qu'il n'en savait rien et qu'il n'avait vu aucun document.

Il a affirmé que cela avait fait du bruit, ce qui avait attiré l'attention du président et conduit à sa suspension et à celle de son patron, M. Kamara, pour faire face à une enquête.

"Maintenant, la GAC a enquêté concernant M. Kamara et il travaille, mais ils ont refusé d'enquêter sur moi", a déclaré Morris.

« J'ai toutes mes preuves et je suis prêt à faire face à l'enquête. S'ils peuvent enquêter sur Kamara sans mes arguments, cela signifie que je mens. Et alors, comment pouvez-vous enquêter sans la personne qui donne l'alerte ? » s'est demandé Morris.

COMMENTAIRE

par Eddie Ndopu

"Je dénoncerai inlassablement les violations des droits fondamentaux"

NEW-YORK - Quand l'ONU a été créée à l'issue de la Deuxième Guerre mondiale, il aurait été inimaginable d'envisager que quelqu'un comme moi - jeune, Noir, homosexuel et en fauteuil roulant - puisse occuper un poste important au sein de l'organisation. Or je serai parmi les candidats envisagés par l'ONU pour succéder à Michelle Bachelet le mois prochain, quand elle quittera son poste de Haut Commissaire des Nations Unies aux droits de l'homme. C'est un symbole remarquable du chemin parcouru par l'humanité depuis 1945.

Si je suis choisi, je serai le fonctionnaire de plus haut rang en situation de handicap depuis la création de l'ONU. Ce serait une victoire historique pour les 1,3 milliards de personnes handicapées qui d'après l'ONU constituent le plus grand groupe minoritaire.

Signée en 2007, la Convention relative aux droits des personnes handicapées est un instrument important en faveur de l'inclusion. Néanmoins, il est encore très rare de voir une personne en fauteuil roulant occuper une position de pouvoir. Dans bien des endroits du monde, le rejet d'un gamin noir handicapé constitue la quintessence de l'exclusion.

J'aurais pu facilement être ce gamin. Cependant, mon expérience de militant des droits de l'homme a commencé à l'âge de six ans, lorsque le visage baigné de larmes, j'ai dit à ma mère : "Je veux aller à l'école."

En Namibie où j'ai passé les neuf premières années de ma vie, la vie d'un enfant en fauteuil roulant est souvent extrêmement limitée - comme dans une grande partie du monde en développement. Selon les Nations unies, 90 à 98 % des enfants handicapés des pays du Sud n'ont pas la moindre possibilité d'aller à l'école.

A l'époque, je me battais avec toute mon énergie pour simplement rester en vie. À l'âge de deux ans, on m'a diagnostiqué une atrophie musculaire spinale, une maladie dégénérative mortelle qui attaque le système nerveux. Les médecins ont dit à ma mère que je ne vivrais probablement pas jusqu'à mon cinquième anniversaire... j'ai 31 ans.

Ma mère qui essuyait les larmes de mes yeux était déterminée. Elle a trouvé une école qui a accepté de me prendre. Le premier jour, on m'a placé tout au fond de la classe. Il était clair qu'on n'attendait pas grand-chose de moi. J'ai stupéfié l'enseignante en écrivant mon nom, ce que la plupart des autres enfants ne savaient pas faire. Un grand sourire a éclairé son visage. Elle a vu que je pouvais apprendre comme les autres, peut-être même plus vite.

Cette expérience m'a appris à viser haut, quels que soient les obstacles. Ma candidature à la succession de Michelle Bachelet vise à repousser les limites du possible, non seulement pour les personnes handicapées, mais aussi pour tous ceux qui se sont un jour sentis dévalorisés, sous-estimés ou marginalisés.

Si je suis sélectionné, je serai le plus jeune dirigeant au niveau de la direction de l'ONU, une organisation qui souligne régulièrement

l'importance qu'il y a à impliquer les jeunes, car ils sont les premiers concernés par l'avenir. Pourtant, nous sommes largement sous-représentés dans l'institution. Le choix d'un jeune dirigeant à ce poste donnerait un nouvel élan et une nouvelle autorité au travail du Haut Commissaire des Nations unies.

Le respect des droits de l'homme pour tous semble une quête irréaliste - surtout aujourd'hui où tout semble impossible. Mais comme l'a dit Nelson Mandela, "Cela semble toujours impossible jusqu'à ce que cela soit fait".

Je me suis rappelé ces mots il y a quelque temps, lorsque travaillant à Amnesty International, on m'a confié la mission impossible de réunir deux groupes connus pour leur méfiance mutuelle : les chefs d'entreprise et les défenseurs des droits de l'homme. Je les ai persuadés de s'écouter les uns les autres dans le cadre d'une campagne visant à empêcher les industries extractives de fermer les yeux sur les violations des droits de l'homme en Afrique.

À une époque où le monde est de plus en plus fracturé et où l'on a l'impression que nous avons tout simplement cessé de nous écouter les uns les autres, le Haut-commissariat des Nations unies aux droits de l'homme est particulièrement qualifié pour relever les défis les plus pressants d'aujourd'hui. Pour la première fois depuis 2001, la majorité de la population de la planète vit sous des régimes non démocratiques qui ne respectent pas les droits fondamentaux. Nous sommes confrontés à un nationalisme exacerbé, à une crise économique émergente et à une pandémie mondiale - une crise sanitaire à laquelle trop de gouvernements ont répondu en revendiquant des pouvoirs exceptionnels et en restreignant certains droits fondamentaux. Par ailleurs, les conflits qui se déroulent en Ukraine, au Sahel, en Birmanie et dans bien d'autres endroits s'accompagnent de violations de ces droits.

Dans une période comme celle-ci, le Haut Commissaire aux droits de l'homme joue un rôle crucial en servant de phare pour leur défense et en soutenant ceux qui ont le courage d'élever la voix lorsqu'ils constatent leur violation. Comme l'a déclaré le Secrétaire général de l'ONU, Antonio Guterres, les droits de l'homme sous-tendent "l'ensemble du système des Nations Unies. ... Ils sont essentiels pour s'attaquer aux causes et aux conséquences de toutes les crises complexes, et pour construire des sociétés durables, sûres et pacifiques".

Si le Secrétaire général me choisit pour ce rôle, mon travail consistera à identifier et à dénoncer inlassablement les violations des droits, quels que soient les intérêts puissants qui s'y opposent, et à m'engager avec les défenseurs de la société civile pour rendre le travail de l'ONU plus participatif et plus pertinent pour susciter le changement.

Je suis sans doute un candidat atypique pour ce poste, un choix impossible diraient certains. Mais je crois que tout spécialement à notre époque, une nouvelle manière de penser, une nouvelle énergie et la capacité de voir comment surmonter des barrières apparemment impossibles à franchir, c'est exactement ce dont le monde a besoin.

Traduit de l'anglais par Patrice Horovitz

Eddie Ndopu est militant des droits de l'homme et défenseur des objectifs de développement durable de l'ONU.

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REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA) IN THE COMMERCIAL COURT OF LIBERIA... MONTSERRADO COUNTY) SITTING IN ITS OCTOBER TERM, A.D. 2022. BEFORE HIS HONOR: EVA MAPPY MORGAN, CHAN CHAN A. PAIGAR, OTHELLO S. PAYMAN, I...

WORKERS, CUSTOMERS AND THE MANAGING CONSULTANT OF JWG, SUNSET BEACH, INC. TO INCLUDE ITS HOSPITALITY CONSULTANT MR. NMATEY YENDAM DANIEL, JANET LORPU HENRIETTA BRISBANE, SAMUEL SAYUOH, NAOMI KOLLIE, ELVIS OWUSU, EMMANUEL GARGAR ET AL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA... PETITIONERS

VERSUS

THE MANAGEMENT OF JWG, SUNSET BEACH RESORT, INC. BY & THRU ITS PRESIDENT AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES MR. JOHN WALTER GBEDZE, SENYOGA GBEDZE ET AL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA... RESPONDENTS

WRIT OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING

REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA: TO: EMMANUEL MORRIS, ESQ. ACTING SHERIFF, OR HIS DEPUTY, COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF LIBERIA, MONTSERRADO COUNTY: GREETINGS!

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING THE MANAGEMENT OF JWG, SUNSET BEACH RESORT, INC. BY PETITIONER FOR ADVERSE CLAIMS & THRU ITS PRESIDENT AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES MR. JOHN WALTER GBEDZE, SENYOGA GBEDZE ET AL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA... RESPONDENTS, TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMERCIAL COURT OF LIBERIA, TEMPLE OF JUSTICE, MONTSERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, SITTING IN ITS AUGUST TERM, A.D. 2022 AT THE HOUR OF 10:00 A.M. IN THE MORNING, ON THE FIRST TUESDAY IN SEPTEMBER, A.D. 2022 SAME BEING THE 6TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D. 2022 TO ANSWER THE PETITION OF THE ABOVE NAMED PETITIONER. THAT UPON THEIR FAILURE TO APPEAR, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE RENDERED.

YOU ARE FURTHER COMMANDED TO NOTIFY THE SAID RESPONDENT TO FILE ITS FORMAL ANSWER AND/OR RETURNS IN MY OFFICE ON/OR BEFORE THE 2TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D. 2022.

MEANWHILE, YOU WILL RETURN THE ORIGINAL WRIT OF SUMMONS TO MY OFFICE ON/OR BEFORE THE 2TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D. 2022 WITH THE OFFICIAL RETURNS ENDORSED ON THE BACK AS TO THE MANNER OF ITS SERVICE.

AND HAVE YOU THERE THIS WRIT OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 17TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2022. J. AMOS F. L. CLERK, COMM.

STATE: RECEIVED: SIGNATURE: DATE: TELEPHONE #:

AND NOW COMES the Petitioner's Petition in the above entitled cause of Action praying Your Honors and this Honorable Court for the following legal and factual reasons as showeth, to wit:

- 1. Petitioners say they are former workers, customers, and hospitality managing consultant Of The Defendant's Company. Mr. Nmatey Yendam Daniel, UN Drive Supermarket, LR & Son, SRIMEX Oil and Gas, Jos Travel, Pepsce Security, Janet Lorpu, Henrietta Brisbane, Samuel Sayuoh, Naomi Kollie, Elvis Owusu, Emmanuel Gargar, Lawrence B. Foday, Annitta Wilson, Joe Mulbah, Emmanuel Yah et al please find attached full listing of petitioners marked Exhibit P/1 to form cogent part of this petition. 2. Petitioners say they understand that there was a Foreclosure of Mortgage proceeding before this Honorable Court and that there is or was a public auction of the Sunset Beach Resort component of the said estate which has or will generate some income of 1.9 million plus United States Dollars. 3. Petitioners say out the total sum of 1.9 million United States Dollars, when the court settlement of US\$1, 613, 200 is settle, the balance amount is sufficient enough to settle the Petitioners claim of 215, 738.57. 4. Petitioners say the Defendant Company is in arrears to the Petitioners in the sum of US\$215, 738.57 and that if the Respondent is not made to pay this amount, Petitioners will suffer serious economic hardship and livelihood which will deprive them and their family survivability please find attached the liability analysis, monthly payroll from May to July, 2022, contractor wages, staff payroll/wages, marked Exhibit P/3 in bulk to to form cogent part of this Petition. 5. Petitioners say as a result of the Defendant Company management failure to settle the arrears of former workers, staffs and customers have been constantly confronted the Managing Consultant by some of the business entities that the Defendant company owes and are threatening legal action against the consultant to include but not limited to: LR & SON, UN DRIVE SUPERMARKET, PEN CONSULTANCY, JOS TRAVEL AGENCY, PEPSCE SECURITY and SRIMEX OIL AND GAS etc. in addition to the former workers, staffs and customers that the Defendant Company owes. 6. Petitioner say while the proprietor of the estate is deceased, his children are currently managing the estate but has refused and neglected to settle the Petitioner and that petitioners fear that if they don't institute this proceeding, management may not pay the Petitioners as some of the management team members are not residents of the country, and the likelihood is that they may leave without settling their obligation to the Petitioners.

WHEREFORE AND IN VIEW of the foregoing facts and circumstances, Petitioners pray Your Honor and this Honorable Court to:

- b) Garnish the portion of Public Auction that belongs to the Respondents to settle the claims of the Petitioners in the sum of US\$ 215, 738.57. c) Grant unto the Petitioners all and any other relief that Your Honors may deemed just, legal and equitable in the premise.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED PETITIONER BY AND THRU HIS LEGAL COUNSELS SUPUWOOD AND ASSOCIATES ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELORS - AT - LAW

DATED THIS 2nd DAY OF AUGUST A.D 2022

REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA) IN THE OFFICE OF THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE FOR MONTSERRADO COUNTY) MONTSERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA WORKERS, CUSTOMERS AND THE MANAGING CONSULTANT OF JWG, SUNSET BEACH, INC. TO INCLUDE ITS HOSPITALITY CONSULTANT MR. NMATEY YENDAM DANIEL, JANET LORPU HENRIETTA BRISBANE, SAMUEL SAYUOH, NAOMI KOLLIE, ELVIS OWUSU, EMMANUEL GARGAR ET AL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA... PETITIONERS VERSUS THE MANAGEMENT OF JWG, SUNSET BEACH RESORT, INC. BY & THRU ITS PRESIDENT AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES MR. JOHN WALTER GBEDZE JR., SENYOGA GBEDZE ET AL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA... RESPONDENTS PETITIONERS' AFFIDAVIT

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME, a duly qualified and commissioned Justice of Peace for and in Montserrado County, at my Office in the City of Monrovia Atty. G. Alphonso W. Woiwor one of Counsels for Petitioner in the above-entitled cause of action and made Oath according to law that all and singular the allegations of both facts and law as are set forth and contained in the foregoing and annexed Reply are true and correct to the best of His knowledge and belief; and as to those matters of information given, he verily believes them to be true and correct.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME THIS DAY OF AUGUST A.D. 2022

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, MONTSERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA.

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VOTE WEAH OUT

By Thomas Domah/Nimba County
Presidential hopeful Cllr. Tiawan Saye Gongloe, calls on the people of Nimba county to give President George Weah a bloody nose at the poll by voting him out in 2023. Cllr. Gongloe notes that the Weah-led government has brought untold hardship to Liberians, characterized by poor living conditions, including bad health, declining educational standard and roads, among others. Speaking in Ganta, Nimba county where he was overwhelmingly received upon arrival this week to kick off a tour of his native home, Cllr.

will combat corruption that has become widespread under President Weah. He asks fellow Nimbaians to financially support his dream as a son of the county that is seeking the highest office of the land, a campaign which the late Dr. Jackson Fiah Doe, Sr, started. The late Dr. Doe was standard bearer of the Liberia Action Party (LAP) that was presumed winner of the 1985 presidential election that was rigged by slain President Samuel Kanyon Doe (no relation to Jackson F. Doe). Gongloe, also former president of the Liberia National Bar Association,

The LPP flagbearer is expected to tour the entire Nimba to rally support in his bid for the Presidency. He has informed Nimbaians that the other counties are supporting him. He adds that when elected, his government will involve in rice production, the nation's staple, to mitigate huge importation rice from abroad. He reminds that Liberia is endowed with fertile soil for agriculture but says the Weah administration has refused to invest in the agricultural sector. Cllr. Gongloe says he will fight corruption at all levels of an LPP-led government, such as in the health and education sectors as well as road construction, among



Cllr. Tiawan Saye Gongloe

President George Weah

Gongloe, who was elected unopposed recently as standard bearer of the Liberian People's Party (LPP) said if elected, he promises to run an integrity government where his salary and salaries of his officials would be made public. others. Editing by Jonathan Browne

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The projects "Promoting Inclusive Political Participation" supported by the Peacebuilding Fund and the Liberia Electoral Support", supported by the Governments of Sweden and Ireland through UNDP officially kickstarted here with the inception meeting at a local hotel in Monrovia. With the support of the Liberia Electoral Support Project (LESP), in partnership with UN Women and UNDP, and funding from SIDA and Irish Aid, ORWOCH will develop a concept to set up a legal aid program for disadvantaged candidates (e.g., women, Persons Living with Disability, youth, etc.) The legal aid concept (framed the VAWIE referral pathway) outlines how, where and by whom the legal aid will be provided, according to a clear set

of standard operating procedures and with a proposed referral pathway for the provision of legal services to women experiencing VAWIE and disadvantaged candidates under the Liberia Elections Support Project (LESP). As part of the inception meeting, a panel discussion comprising legal minds and women politician and activists was held to brainstorm on issues affecting women in electoral processes particularly with legal frameworks. As a feminist women-led, ORWOCH has been committed to championing the rights of women and girls, building their capacities and taking collective actions to support Liberian women and girls to claim their rights and have their voices heard, free from violence and discrimination. ORWOCH works with women of all ages to fully participate in leadership,

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New Census date set for November

The Government of Liberia, and partners led by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) say they will inform the public of the new dates for the National Population and Housing Census, likely to be within November 2022. "The public will be informed of the new dates, likely to be within

portal to serve as Census Enumerators are recruited. "The process will be concluded at the earliest. The final list of trainees will be published no later than 29 October 2022, and all interested individuals are invited to view the names of successful candidates on the LISGIS website: [https:// www.lisgis.gov.lr,](https://www.lisgis.gov.lr)" the



November 2022," a statement jointly signed by Liberia's Finance Minister Samuel D. Tweah and UN Resident Coordinator Niels Scot, says. The statement reaffirms the Government of Liberia and the International Partners' commitment to delivering the 2022 National Population and Housing Census. At the same time, the government acknowledges with regret that unforeseen technical and logistical challenges have necessitated a change in the enumeration schedule of the 2022 National Population and Housing Census, earlier set for 24 October to 7 November 2022. It says the technical and logistical challenges arose due to unforeseen lapses in the Census Enumerators' recruitment process.

statement said. The Government of Liberia and its Partners also wish to inform all concerned individuals that an appropriate compensation package for the Enumerators and Supervisors will be provided. The joint statement said this includes reimbursements for expenses related to Tablets Charging, Tour Guides, Training, Transportation, and Refreshment. The Census project had envisaged a complex recruitment process of Enumerators, which was why applications were requested from qualified Liberians across the country to facilitate local community participation in the project. Meanwhile, the Census Steering Committee has lauded the House of Representatives' leadership for the intervention and suggestion to adjust the Census enumeration timeline to a date to be agreed by the Senate and subsequently endorsed by His Excellency the President. In conclusion, the Government of Liberia and International Partners, led by UNFPA, commend all prospective Census Enumerators, trainers, and the general public for their patience and understanding of the delayed Census enumeration. They reassure the people of Liberia that a credible and accurate Census Count remains their collective priority.

To ensure transparency and accountability in the recruitment process, the statement indicates that the government and its partners led by UNFPA, have reviewed the processes. It noted that they have commissioned a Technical Committee to review the applications received and ensure due process in the selection of the potential enumerators based on specific technical criteria in respect of all applications received. The Committee has the task of ensuring that only those who applied through the application

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NEC to hear Nyonblee's complaint



Senator Nyonblee Karnga-Lawrence



NEC Boss Davidetta Brown-Lansannah

The National Elections Commission (NEC) says in the coming days, complaints filed by Senator Nyonblee Karnga-Lawrence and others of the Liberty Party will be addressed in line with its mandate. In a statement released Thursday, 27 October 2022, the Commission said its attention has been drawn to statements regarding the October 3rd, 2022, complaint filed by Senator Karnga-Lawrence and others

of the Liberty Party. "The Commission wishes to assure the parties that have submitted issues of concern before the Commission that these complaints will be addressed in the coming days in line with its mandate," the statement said. Consistent with these assurances, the

Commission restated to all stakeholders and parties its mindfulness in relation to Chapter Two Section 2.9 (W) of the New Elections Law. It noted that the provision cited provides: "To issue citation for the appearance before it of any political party or its leaders, or other natural persons in connection with any complaint cognizable before it."

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