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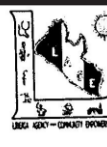
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Continental News



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Bishop freed after two months detention in Eritrea

A leading Catholic bishop in Eritrea has been freed from detention after being held without trial since October, reliable sources have told the BBC.

repeatedly called for an end to one-party rule in Eritrea, and for democracy to be embraced.

The Catholic Archbishop of Asmara and a small congregation gathered to welcome the cleric after their release.

The bishop had been detained since 15 October after he returned to the capital, Asmara, from a trip to Europe.

In 2019, the authorities shut Catholic-run schools and hospitals, saying that religious bodies could not run such institutions.

Catholics make up about 4% of Eritrea's population. The church is one of only four religious groups allowed to operate in Eritrea, along with the Eritrean Orthodox, Evangelical Lutheran, and Sunni Muslim groups. BBC



Bishop Fikremariam Hagos was detained after he returned from Europe

Bishop Fikremariam Hagos was released along with a parish priest, Abba Mihretab Stefanos.

No reasons were given by the authorities for their detention.

The Catholic Church has

Eritrea has not held a national election since it gained independence from Ethiopia in 1991. It has been ruled since then by President Isaias Afwerki. His regime has been accused of human rights abuses - including violating religious rights.

Nigeria policeman suspended over Christmas killing

Nigeria's police chief has ordered the suspension of an officer who allegedly shot dead a female lawyer in the main city Lagos on Christmas Day. Drambi Vandi is reported to have hit Bolanle Raheem as she and several family members were driving home from a church service.

Many Nigerians are horrified over the killing of the lawyer, who was pregnant with twins. The Nigeria Bar Association and human rights

groups have demanded justice. The association's Lagos branch said it would institute legal action against the police to demand \$10m (£8m) in compensation for Ms Raheem's family.

Her mother was quoted by local media as saying she had worked as a hawker selling oranges so that her daughter could study law.

"She was taken away from me. She was pregnant with twins," Ms Raheem's mother said, adding that she had left behind a five-

year-old daughter.

Police chief Usman Alkali Baba said he would not relent in efforts to ensure justice for the lawyer and appealed to the public "to be calm". In recent years there has been increased attention on police brutality in Nigeria.

Nationwide protests, under the banner of the #EndSars movement, led to the notorious Special Anti-Robbery Squad (Sars) being disbanded in 2020. BBC



Nigeria's police chief is under pressure to end abuse within the force

December 7, 2022

Invitation for Bid
For the Construction of Market in Gbarnga City, Bong County

Contract Identification No : IFB NO: LACE/JCVF/SP/NCB/001/2022

The Government of Liberia has received funds from the Government of Japan for the construction of a Modern Market in Gbarnga City, Bong County, through the Japanese Counter Part Value Fund Secretariat office. The modern market construction project will be supervised by Liberia Agency for Community Empowerment (LACE) and monitored by the Japanese Counter Part Value Fund Secretariat office situated in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. LACE intends to apply portion of the proceeds of this fund to make payments under the contract for the procurement of a modern market construction project in Gbarnga City, Bong County.

This Bid covers the *installation of 6 pcs of Polly tanks, erection of 2 pits latrine, and provision and installation of two water pump machines, erection of two units of reservoir and to carry on full implementation and completion of the market project in Gbarnga City, Bong County*; as indicated in Section V – Schedule of Requirements and the project deliverables indicated in the Bidding Documents for the construction of a modern market project in Gbarnga City. The Works are categorized under one (1) procurement package, as per the specification.

A bidder must bid to cover the full quantities of the entire procurement package bided for in the BOQ (Bill of Quantities). Any incomplete items within the package would be deemed to be nonresponsive and the bid would be rejected.

LACE, along with the Japanese Counter Part Value Fund Secretariat, now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the construction of a Modern Market facility within the City of Gbarnga, as per the specific works indicated above. The bidding process will be conducted through the **National Competitive Bidding (NCB)** Method of Procurement with procedures specified in the PPCA, approved by the PPCC, and are opened to all eligible bidders.

The aforementioned Contractors, who are interested in the project, may obtain bidding documents from the address below at the Procurement Department, during working hours from 09:00 to 16:00 hours, and contact:

Mr. Kornema Y. Mulbah
Procurement Director
Procurement Department
Liberia Agency for Community Empowerment (LACE)
Executive Mansion Ground, Capitol Hills
Former Ministry of Planning & Economics Affairs Building
Monrovia, Liberia
Email: kornemamulbah@gmail.com

A complete set of Bidding Documents in English will be issued to interested bidders at a cost of **Two Hundred United States Dollars (200.00 USD)** for each bid document.

Bidding requirements include the availability of the following:

- Valid Tax Clearance Certificate.
- Bid Security
- Current Business Registration Certificate
- Article of Incorporation
- Ministry of Public Works (MPW) Certificate (CCCS)
- Association of Liberian Construction Company (ALCC) Certificate
- Notarized Power of Attorney
- Provide documentary evidence of disclosing legal or beneficiary owner(s)
- Bidder must have implemented similar project(s) funded by the Japanese Counterpart Value Fund (JCVF) and attached copy(ies) of past contract(s) to substantiate the claim(s).

Bids must be delivered at the below listed address not later than **11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2023:**

Procurement Department
Liberia Agency for Community Empowerment (LACE)
Executive Mansion Ground, Capitol Hills
Former Ministry of Planning & Economics Affairs Building
Monrovia, Liberia

Bids shall be valid for a period of **ninety (90) days** after the deadline of bid submission. All Bids must be accompanied by a **Bid Security of 2% of the quoted price** and should be valid for a period of **twenty-eight (28) days** after the bid validity period. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders or bidder's representatives who choose to attend at the address below, soon after the close of Bids at **11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 18, 2023:**

Procurement Department
Liberia Agency for Community Empowerment (LACE)
Executive Mansion Grounds, Capitol Hills
Former Ministry of Planning & Economics Affairs Building
Monrovia, Liberia

Signed:

Mr. Quiwu Yeke
Executive Director

Mr. Kornema Y. Mulbah
Procurement Director

EDITORIAL

Lack of political will is killing Liberian integrity institutions

UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR to Liberia, Michael McCarthy, recently urged Liberia's leaders to be bold in supporting integrity institutions in the country, warning that their fate will strongly influence the fate of the nation.

AMBASSADOR MCCARTHY also underscored that Liberia's integrity institutions urgently need political will to fulfill their mandates, and disclosed that leaders of integrity institutions in the country have informed him that the U.S. Global Magnitsky sanctions of corrupt officials have given them more breathing room to fulfill their mandates.

HOWEVER, THE AMBASSADOR noted that more than just breathing room, integrity institutions need full backing of Liberia's political leaders, and that it is one thing for leaders to say they support the work of public auditors, but it is another to allow full and complete audits, and to respond to the deficiencies they uncover just as it is one thing to claim to support corruption investigations and yet another to allow investigations to be undertaken without political interference.

WE COULD NOT HAVE agreed with Amb. McCarthy any better. Leaders or government's professed commitment to supporting integrity institutions should move from lip-service to practical actions if these institutions must execute the functions that they were established for.

BUT AS THE U.S. AMBASSADOR sadly observed, these institutions such as the Internal Audit Agency, General Auditing Commission, Financial Intelligence Agency, the Public Procurement and Concessions Commission, and the Liberia Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative merely exist by names.

IF MANY OF THESE integrity institutions are now being allotted much smaller budgets than they enjoyed in previous years, leaving them with less purchasing power, as Mr. McCarthy pointed out, how can they do their work effectively? It is difficulty, if not impossible, for anyone to believe that would perform miracles.

CLEARLY, LACK OF political will from the Weah administration is gradually starving integrity institutions to death unless something is done urgently to reverse this ugly trend.

THE AMBASSADOR ADDED that to make matters worse, most of them never receive the full amount appropriated to them by the legislature, and starved of funds and unsure whether, or when, they will receive their next allotment, they are nowhere near as effective as they should be.

AMB. MCCARTHY: "It is one thing to say you want transparency in Liberia's extractive industries, but it is another to publicly disclose all government extractive industry concession and exploration agreements and revenue, publicly calling out illegal actors. It is one thing to support the Code of Conduct, but it is another to enforce compliance with asset declaration requirements. By now, I think you get my point."

AS WE CLOSE THE year 2022, we can but only hope that leaders would give heed to the concerns raised by the U.S. Envoy by prioritizing support to integrity institutions, because their works send an important signal to the international community about the country's commitment to providing accountable leadership that would endear public confidence. These are benchmarks thru which democratic institutions gauge our sincerity to public service.

COMMENTARY

By Antara Haldar

Whose Rule of Law?

CAMBRIDGE - In the early 2000s, there was a near-unanimous consensus among academic lawyers that the absence of the rule of law was strictly a "Third World problem" - meaning one that the advanced economies of the Global North had solved. Yet, just over a decade later, the United States elected as president a man who would go on to incite an insurrection at the US Capitol, conspire to overturn an election that he lost, abscond with classified documents when he finally left the White House, and then call for the "termination" of the US Constitution.

How did a quintessentially "Third World problem" become a "First World problem" as well? In fact, it was ever thus. The purported differences in kind between the Global North and the Global South have always been a product of colonial triumphalism, rather than reflecting an accurate scientific taxonomy.

This was the core insight of "law and development," a beleaguered area of study that came into (modest) prominence in the 1970s. At the height of the Cold War, organizations like USAID and the Ford Foundation pushed law professors and legal scholars to take more of an active interest in evangelizing Western-style law (which is a bit like a pharmaceutical company paying a laboratory to "find" that one of its proprietary drugs is indeed effective). But, as a small coterie of law and development scholars pointed out, law is not always "potent" or "good," even at "home" in the West.

Ignoring this inconvenient truth, Western organizations proceeded to foist their vision of the rule of law on the rest of the world anyway. While law and development professors were unwilling to play ball, economists steeped in the Washington Consensus agenda (fiscal discipline, deregulation, trade and capital-market liberalization, privatization, and so forth) were all too happy to fill the void.

In the years since, waves of economic engagement - from "law and economics" and new institutional economics to legal origin theory - have crashed onto the shores of the Global South. The consistent message has been that low-income countries must modernize their legal systems, replacing all traditions and social conventions based in "magical" and "mystical" thinking (as Max Weber once put it) with cold, calculable legal "rationality."

The West, under the auspices of programs such as the United Nations Commission on Legal Empowerment of the Poor and the World Bank's Worldwide Governance Indicators, has launched multiple initiatives not only to "export" a valuable commodity - a Western-style legal system - but also to quantify and measure its uptake. One influential effort, which I was involved with at its inception, is the American Bar Association-backed World Justice Project. Among other things, the WJP assesses the health of the rule of law in ailing developing countries (usually designated "corrupt") and then prescribes treatments - typically shock therapy-style

elixirs - to bolster property and contracts regimes.

The good works of Western law have continued apace in locations ranging from Vietnam and Iraq to Afghanistan. Yet none of these initiatives was ever supported by any evidence that simply "transplanting" legal regimes would succeed. On the contrary, many millions of dollars were spent on a two-decade-long reform effort in Afghanistan, and still, before the Taliban's reconquest, the country ranked 134th of 139 in the WJP's 2021 Rule of Law Index.

There are undoubtedly problems with this kind of empirical approach, as the controversy surrounding the World Bank's Doing Business report shows. But even more problematic is the underlying theory. As the 2008 global financial crisis did with orthodox economics, the Trump presidency exposed core flaws in rule-of-law scholarship that had long been buried or obscured. Chief among these is the assumption that law will play a decisive part in eliciting good behavior - that it will exert what legal scholars call "general normative force" on the society in question.

But now, no one can deny that the prevailing epistemic apartheid - the marginalization of those studying the "problems" of establishing and maintaining the rule of law - within law schools has damaged Western countries as much as the rest of the world. This is evident even in the WJP's own reports, which showed a marked decline in the US' rule-of-law ranking for five consecutive years from 2017 to 2021.

Although the US recovered somewhat from Trump's contempt for the rule of law in 2022, it might not be so lucky next time around. Trump has already announced his campaign for the 2024 presidential election, and dismissed the House January 6 Committee as a "kangaroo court." Moreover, a fully Trumpified Republican Party remains committed to eroding the values that underpin the rule of law.

The emergence of social order via the establishment of law-like systems is a universal phenomenon. It happens when individuals join an emerging social consensus in support of such a system, and this process tends to follow the same pattern no matter the country. But understanding the rule of law's basic structure and normative merits doesn't really help us understand its underlying mechanics.

Fortunately, now that we are seeing the global nature of the challenges associated with maintaining the rule of law, important but long-neglected areas of legal scholarship (including empirical legal studies, law and psychology, behavioral law and economics, and law and emotions) are getting the attention they deserve. The more we can bring rigorous scientific analysis to the study of the rule of law, the better we can understand and protect it, both in the "Third World" and in the "First."

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**Invitation for Bids (IFB)
National Competitive Bidding
Procurement of Scratch Cards
IFB No. LRA/SBA/NCB/004/2023**

1. The Liberia Revenue Authority (LRA) has received funds from the Government of Liberia through budgetary allocations and intends to use portion of it to fund eligible payment under the contract for the Procurement of **SCRATCH CARDS** for the fiscal year 2023.
2. This bidding covers the Supply of Scratch Cards to the LRA as Fully detailed under Section V- Technical Specification as indicated below:

Lot	Description	Quantity
1	Orange Scratch cards (US\$5.00 denomination)	2,820pcs
	Orange Scratch Cards(US\$25.00 denomination)	36pcs
2	Lonestar MTN Scratch cards (US\$5.00 denomination)	2,820pcs
	Lonestar MTN Scratch Cards (US\$ 10.00 denomination)	90pcs

3. The LRA now invites sealed bids from all **eligible and qualified vendors** for the Supply and Delivery of **SCRATCH CARDS**. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures as specified in the **PPC Act 2010** and is open to all eligible bidders.
4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from
Lovetta W.J. Williams,
Liberia Revenue Authority Headquarters
Basement Floor
ELWA Junction Paynesville, Liberia Tel: 231-(0886) -676046
Email: lovetta.johns@lra.gov.lr and procurement@lra.gov.lr
5. **Qualification's requirements:** All bids must be accompanied by;
 - A Bid Securing Declaration Form
 - Current Tax Clearance and Current Business registration with activity code **J6190**
 - Must be registered on the PPCC Vendors Registrar
 - Submission of Company Profile
 - Proof of Similar goods supplied
6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 11:00 am.**
Procurement Section
Liberia Revenue Authority Headquarters
Basement Floor ELWA Junction
Paynesville, Liberia
7. Bids shall be valid for a period of **Ninety (90) days** after the deadline of bid submission.
8. Bids will be opened on **Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 11:00 am** in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend, at the address below.
LRA Headquarters, Basement Floor
ELWA Junction Paynesville, Liberia
9. A complete set of Bidding Document in **English** may be picked up by interested bidders from the Procurement Section at a non-refundable cost of **US\$25.00** beginning **Wednesday, December 21, 2022** from the LRA Headquarters, Basement Floor between 9:30 am to 3:30 pm daily.
10. A Pre- Bid meeting will be held at the conference room of the LRA Headquarters, Basement Floor on **Thursday, January 5, 2023 at 2:00 pm** to answer questions relevant to the bidding process.
11. **Bids must be submitted both in hard and electronic copies.** Electronic bid should be submitted through the link: procurement@lra.gov.lr Late bids will be rejected and returned unopened.
12. **The most responsive Bidder will be issued a Framework Contract.**
13. All bids must be clearly marked with the address indicated below.
14. The address is:
Procurement of Scratch Cards,
Ref: IFB No. LRA/SBA/NCB/004/2023
Liberia Revenue Authority
LRA Headquarters,
Basement Floor
ELWA Junction,
Paynesville, Liberia
Tel: 231-(0886) -676046
Email: lovetta.johns@lra.gov.lr and procurement@lra.gov.lr
15. **The Liberia Revenue Authority reserves the right to reject or accept any bid submitted and to annul the entire process at any time for reasons to be communicated to bidders without incurring any liability.**

Signed:


Lovetta W. J. Williams
Procurement Manager

Signed:


Samuel G. Bennett, Jr.
Acting Deputy Commissioner
General Administrative Affairs



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ELWA Junction,
Paynesville, Liberia



I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. **SOLICITATION NO:** VA-669-23-000002

2. **ISSUANCE DATE:** December 29, 2022

3. **CLOSING DATE AND TIME FOR RECEIPT OF OFFERS:** January 16, 2023, 11:59 pm Local Time, Monrovia, Liberia

4. **POINT OF CONTACT:** Executive Officer, email at LiberiaHR@usaid.gov

5. **POSITION TITLE:** Project Management Specialist (Strategic Information/Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning [SI/MEL])

6. **MARKET VALUE:** USD \$35,104 – USD \$56,160 – FSN-10

In accordance with AIDAR Appendix J and the Local Compensation Plan of USAID Final compensation will be negotiated within the listed market value. Note that all U.S. Embassy Locally Employed Staff are expected to observe and fulfill all tax obligations imposed by the Government of Liberia and you will be required to provide a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) before employment.

7. **PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE:** This contract will be for up to five years depending on programmatic needs, funding availability, and satisfactory performance. This is considered a permanent position and employment under any contract issued under this solicitation is of a continuing nature. Its duration is expected to be part of a series of sequential contracts; all contract clauses, provisions, and regulatory requirements concerning availability of funds and the specific duration of the contract shall apply.

8. **PLACE OF PERFORMANCE:** Monrovia, Liberia.

9. **ELIGIBLE OFFERORS:** Individuals who are Liberian citizens or non-Liberian citizens lawfully admitted for permanent residence in Liberia. Current employees serving a probationary period with the mission are not eligible to apply.

10. **SECURITY LEVEL REQUIRED:** Facility access.

11. STATEMENT OF DUTIES

Basic Function of Position

The USAID Project Management Specialist (Strategic Information/Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning [SI/MEL]) position sits within the USAID Liberia Health Office, Service Delivery Team, and supports the development of and reporting on PEPFAR strategic information and monitoring, evaluation, and learning systems in support of Contracting/Agreement Officer's Representatives (C/AORs), Activity Managers and Advisors managing Mission PEPFAR programs/projects/activities as well as the interagency PEPFAR team.

The SI Specialist provides technical expertise for program monitoring and evaluation; data collection, use and analysis of large complex data sources; and surveillance and health informatics analysis and visualization for the USAID Mission, the broader PEPFAR inter-agency and host country stakeholders. He/she serves as the coordinator for meeting key reporting timelines related to the interagency Liberia PEPFAR program. The incumbent will be responsible for reporting on progress toward achieving PEPFAR targets as well as translating strategic information into improved PEPFAR programming, responsive service delivery and providing accountability for use of PEPFAR resources. S/He will coordinate data collection across the implementing agencies for all PEPFAR data streams, including performance indicators, site improvement through Monitoring System (SIMS) results, and expenditure analysis data.

The job holder guides USAID Implementing Partners (IP) and collaborates with development partner stakeholders and host country counterparts on mutually identified critical operational research and/or targeted public health evaluation questions; provides assistance in development of strategies and protocols to address those questions; and helps disseminate findings to the broader community within USG, development partners and host country stakeholders. The incumbent may be expected to perform work-related travel.

Major Duties and Responsibilities

A. Program/Project/Activity Performance Management and Reporting (50%)

- Responds to strategic information inquiries; gathers and compiles regular updates for OGAC, PEPFAR West Africa Region, USAID/Washington; assists CORs/AORs/Activity Managers by interfacing directly with implementing partners on data reported to USAID, the interagency and/or to the Government of Liberia (GOL).
- Addresses program-related vulnerabilities; and shares pertinent information on other development partner programs. S/he conducts regular site visits to review and provide feedback on program implementation, this may include meeting with beneficiaries.
- Provides technical guidance to Health Office, Mission staff, IPs, and other USG agencies on MEL concepts, processes, design, training, and best practices. Provides guidance to IPs in understanding of the Performance Monitoring Plan systems, and their role in the process, and advises on specific measurement techniques appropriate for their programs/projects/activities.
- Provides technical strategic information (SI) and monitoring and evaluation (M&E) expertise to the Program Office, USAID/Washington, and other USG agencies to plan and manage Health Office responsibilities related to the PMP, including collection, assessment of validity, and improving data quality. Develops innovative and cross-cutting monitoring tools, including Data Quality Assessment and Improvement (DQA/I) tools in coordination with the Program Office and SI/MEL contractors; tracks and maintains multiple sets of key indicators, common indicators related to standard components in all USAID programs/projects/activities, indicators at the strategic objective level, and detailed indicators at the activity level; and, ensures proper collection of data, and that indicators serve as an appropriate measure of their corresponding result.
- Leads, designs, and performs assessments/studies/research requiring independent analysis and interpretation, on a regular and recurring basis; studies and research are cross-cutting and include substantive and often sensitive Mission and Health Office topics. Briefs Health Office and Mission leaders on findings and makes recommendations to impact strategic, operational, and programmatic direction.

B. Technical Support (35%)

- Provides guidance to PEPFAR/Health team on defining measurable indicators and targets for desired results addressed by their program/project/activity, and edits quarterly, semi-annual, and annual performance reports. Provides technical expertise for program monitoring and evaluation; data collection use and analysis of large complex data sources; and surveillance and health informatics analysis and visualization for the USAID Mission, the broader PEPFAR inter-agency and host country stakeholders.
- Provides technical direction to the PEPFAR team to monitor progress toward objectives as detailed in the Regional Operations Plan (ROP).
- Provides technical and operational support to ensure necessary and timely program-level data analytics requirements from OGAC are accurately interpreted and communicated to relevant USG agencies, in preparation for the annual ROP/Strategic Direction Summary (SDS) planning and development process, as well as country and program - level quarterly reviews.
- Serves as a key member of the Mission's M&E Team coordinated by the Mission's Program Office; and as a reviewer of Mission evaluation designs and reports, participating on Mission evaluation teams.
- Guides USAID IPs and collaborates with development partner stakeholders and host country counterparts on mutually identified critical operational research and/or targeted public health evaluation questions; contributes to development of strategies and protocols to address those questions; and helps disseminate findings to the broader community within USG, development partners and host country stakeholders.
- Provides support on the development of standards and indicators for assessing program effectiveness and quality to be assessed on site visits and feedback provided to program staff.
- Provides support to strengthen the capacity of USAID and partners staff in the use of appropriate data management systems to measure and track progress made toward achieving targets based on required indicators. Advises on data collection and program monitoring tools and systems.
- Leads work and coordination with IPs to ensure PEPFAR data reporting requirements are met on a timely basis. Related activities include reviews of guidance documents, PEPFAR targets for the annual ROP, quarterly progress reports, and stakeholder meetings to analyze progress against targets.
- Assists in the analysis and interpretation of quantitative and qualitative data from various sources including SIMS (Site Improvement Monitoring System), Data for Accountability, Transparency, and Impact Monitoring (DATIM), District Health Information System 2 (DHIS2), and facility and partner-level data.
- Participates in the review and approval of annual work plans and periodic reports of USAID partners.

C. Representation & Public Speaking (15%)

- Attends external meetings, committees, and task teams, including GOL-facilitated technical working groups, as needed to represent the Liberia/PEPFAR interagency team.
- Supports development and presentations for research publications and/or abstracts for national and international conferences and symposiums.
- Presents PEPFAR program performance results, research results and M&E plans to OGAC, USAID/Washington, USAID/Liberia, PEPFAR interagency stakeholders and external stakeholders that include other development partners, private sector partners, GOL, USG counterparts from other countries and PEPFAR IPs.
- Actively engages in local SI capacity building of host country governments and other local organizations to strengthen the collection, analysis, and use of data for program planning and direction.

• **Travel:** International and local travel may be required.

• **Supervision Controls:** None

• **Supervisory Relationship:** The USAID Strategic Information / Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning [SI/MEL] Specialist works within the Service Delivery Team, and under the direct supervision of the Service Delivery Team Lead or designee. The supervisor makes assignments in terms of overall objectives and resources available. The day-to-day work is directed by the Care and Treatment Program Management Specialist. Completed work is reviewed in terms of achievement of program/project/activity goals, products produced, effectiveness meeting host-country and USAID objectives, and integration with other initiatives in the Office and Mission portfolio. Some technical direction may come from other professionals in the Office; in general, however, the incumbent will be expected to exercise considerable autonomy and best judgment in discharging the duties of the assignment.

12. PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The work requested does not involve undue physical demands.

II. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR THIS POSITION

- Education:** Minimum of bachelor's degree in social science, statistics, mathematics, mathematics, economics, computer science, epidemiology, health informatics, public health, infectious disease, zoonotic disease, biology is required.
- Prior Work Experience:** Minimum of five years of progressively responsible job related professional-level experience in monitoring, evaluation, and learning (MEL) and other surveillance systems, evaluation of program/project/activity implementation, in direct program/project/activity management, or in a closely related activity is required. Field experience as a public health program and/or technical officer, data collection, data quality evaluation and in fulfilling reporting requirements is required. Experience working in Liberia and/or in another African country and working in a multicultural bilingual environment is required.
- Post Entry Training:** Familiarization training in USAID- and PEPFAR-specific procedures, regulations, reporting tools and methods, and orientation to working from a donor-Agency perspective, will be provided. Successful completion of formal C/AOR training is necessary for proper job performance and will be provided. Training to maintain professional capability in the field, and other courses offered for professional USAID staff, as appropriate; and courses, seminars, conferences, and other activities in fields related to the function and needed to maintain and update professional qualifications may be provided as they become available, subject to availability of funds.
- Language Proficiency:** Level IV (fluent proficiency) in English (reading, written and spoken) is required. Language competence may be tested.
- Job Knowledge:** The incumbent must have in depth, professional-level knowledge of development approaches and methods for performance analysis, data visualization, and program design, monitoring, and evaluation. The incumbent must have excellent knowledge of MEL systems, public health programming, and international donor operations in the sector. The incumbent must have knowledge and understanding of the economic, political, social, and cultural characteristics of the host country; development problems in the health sector in the host country and the region; an understanding of the resources, resource constraints, and overall development prospects and priorities of the host country and the region. The incumbent must have working knowledge of USG legislation, policy, and practice relating to monitoring, evaluation, and learning, and of USAID programming policies, regulations, procedures, and documentation, and of the objectives, methodology, and status of assigned activities.
- Skills and Abilities:** The incumbent must have the ability to plan, organize, manage, and evaluate HIV-AIDS and clinical care activities. S/he must have strong verbal communication skills and diplomatic skills in order to form good working relations with technical level national and local government officials, other development partners and external stakeholders. Verbal communication skills must be sufficient to explain complex data analyses and interpret PEPFAR attitudes, priorities, and concerns. Writing skills must be sufficient to prepare and edit regular and ad-hoc reports with special emphasis on data visualization, in keeping with Agency and PEPFAR requirements. The incumbent must be proficient with Tableau, Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, Word, and email platforms. S/he must have strong capacity to manage activity goals and achievements, both technical and financial; must have skills in project programming and strategy development; and must be able to work effectively in a team environment to achieve consensus on policy, project, and administrative matters. The incumbent must have the ability to acquire knowledge of USAID programming policies, procedures, regulations, and documentation, and of the objectives and methodology of assigned activities.

III. EVALUATION AND SELECTION FACTORS

The Evaluation Factors listed below will be the basis for evaluating and ranking applicants for the position. Applicants will be scored based on the documentation submitted within the application. Applicants must submit a supplemental document outlining their responses to the evaluation factor(s) in order to be considered.

1. Selection Process

After the closing date for receipt of applications, a committee will convene to review applications that meet the minimum requirements and evaluate them in accordance with the evaluation criteria. As part of the selection process, the qualified candidates will be invited to an interview which will consist of both an oral and written evaluation. Reference checks will be made only for applicants considered as finalists. The applicant's references must be able to provide substantive information about his/her past performance and abilities.

2. Evaluation Factors

Those applicants who meet the minimum education and experience qualifications will be evaluated based on the content of their application as well as on the applicant's writing, presentation, and communication skills. Applicants should include their name and the announcement number at the top of each additional page. **Failure to specifically address the Evaluation Factors will result in the applicant not receiving full credit for pertinent experience.**

FACTOR #1:

In 250 words or less, describe your experience collecting, managing, and visualizing HIV and/or other health care data. Highlight your experience with the HIV continuum of care. Provide examples of your information management skills to collect, analyze, manage, and visualize data from the HIV prevention and treatment cascade.

3. Basis of Rating

Applicants determined to be competitively ranked will also be evaluated on their interview performance and satisfactory professional reference checks. The Applicant Rating System is as follows:

Evaluation Factor: 10 points

Factor #1 10 points

Timed writing sample exercise: 50 points

The writing sample will demonstrate the candidate's ability to use a data management tool to interpret, analyze and visualize sample datasets for a typical PEPFAR HIV program.

Interview Performance: 40 points

Interview questions will provide the candidate the ability to:

- Management abilities
- Teamwork and interpersonal skills
- Technical knowledge

Total Possible Points 100 points

IV. SUBMITTING AN OFFER

Applications must be submitted electronically by email with the subject line VA-669-23-000002 – Project Management Specialist (Strategic Information/Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning [SI/MEL]) LiberiaHR@usaid.gov.

Applicants may submit an application prior to the closing date and time specified in Section I, item 3 mentioned above unless revised.

Qualified applicants must submit the following documents, or their applications will not be considered for this position:

- A current curriculum vitae (CV) or resume, not to exceed 3 pages.
- A minimum of three (3) professional references with telephone and email contacts, who are not family members or relatives, with working telephone and email contacts. The applicant's references must be able to provide substantive information about his/her past performance and abilities. At least one reference provided should be a current or former supervisor.
- A supplemental document with a written response to the Evaluation Factors.

Candidates who are applying for this position must fully meet the education requirement (graduated and degree and/or diploma already received) as specified. Candidates must also meet the full work experience requirement and demonstrate in their application that they are an eligible offeror as required in I.9 above. There is no exception to these requirements.

Short-listed candidates may be requested to provide educational documents such as transcripts for degrees, diplomas, certificates, and other pertinent documents as needed.

Any attachments provided via email must be compatible with Microsoft Word or PDF and not zipped. Note that attachments to email must not exceed 25 MB. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

The Agency retains the right to cancel or amend the solicitation and associated actions at any stage of the recruitment process.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: The U.S. Mission provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation.



FACT SHEET FY2023 DRAFT NATIONAL BUDGET



The FY2023 National Budget is prepared in consonance with Section 65 (1) of the Amendment and Restatement of the PFM Act of 2009 provides for the change in fiscal year. This Draft National Budget, like any other, shows how money collected will be spent on public goods and services. Hence, this Budget Fact Sheet provides summary of the Budget which is now before the Legislature.

Macroeconomic Outlook

Real GDP is projected to expand at 3.7 percent in 2022 and to average 5.3 percent in the medium term (2023-2025). This is against the backdrop of strong growth of 5.0 percent experienced in 2021.

Figure 1: Real GDP Graph



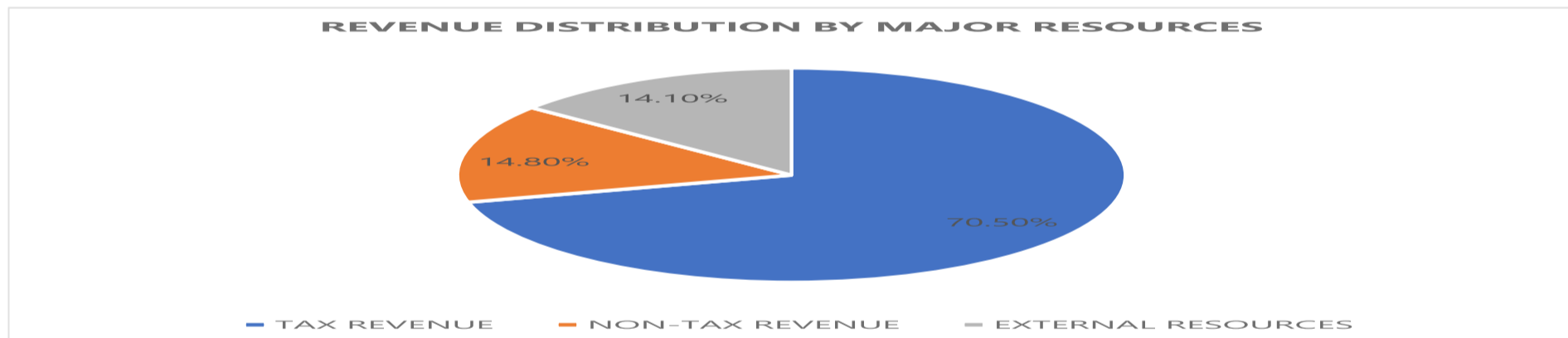
Table 1: Medium-Term Macroeconomic Indicators

Macro Indicators	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Real GDP (% change)	-2.5	-3.0	5.0	3.7	4.2	5.1	5.6	5.7
Agriculture & Fisheries	2.2	6.4	4.0	3.6	4.0	6.1	5.8	5.7
Forestry	-7.5	4.6	1.0	2.1	3.9	4.2	4.3	4.4
Mining & Panning	13.2	2.0	17.6	7.1	4.3	5.8	7.5	4.6
Manufacturing Services	-10.5	0.0	4.7	3.6	5.5	6.2	6.1	6.0
Services	-7.5	-12.7	1.9	2.7	5.5	5.5	5.1	5.8
Nominal GDP (billions of US\$)	3.1	3.0	3.5	3.9	4.2	4.2	4.5	4.8
Nominal GDP growth	-5.6	-1.4	15.5	11.1	7.1	1.3	5.9	7.3
Nominal Non-Mining GDP per capita (in US\$)	531.0	507.0	567.0	625.0	659.0	653.0	677.0	710.0
Consumer Prices-Period Average	27.0	17.0	7.8	6.9	8.7	5.1	5.0	5.0
Consumer Prices-End of Period	20.3	13.1	5.5	11.7	6.9	5.2	5.0	5.0

Macroeconomic Assumptions:

- Macroeconomic condition remains favourable with Real GDP growth averaging 5.3 percent over the medium term;
- Export projected to rise due to anticipated increase in major commodities and sectors of the economy;
- Import expected to increase as economic activity recovers;
- domestic revenue projected to increase given the expected rise in primary commodity export;
- Government expenditure projected to rise because of capital expenditure
- Inflation expected to rise in 2022 but remain in single digit over the medium term;
- Exchange rate projected to remain stable over the medium term due to tight monetary policy

Figure 2: Revenue Analysis and Distribution Chart



US\$777.9 million Total Resource Envelope, comprising of Domestic Revenue and External Resources from development partners. US\$667.9 constitute Domestic revenue or 85.9% while External Resources on-budget account for US\$110 or 14.1%.

Key components of Domestic Revenue include:

US\$548.1 million or 82.1% Tax Revenue
US\$115.3 million or 17.3% Non-Tax Revenue
US\$4.5 million or 0.6% Carry-Forward

Tax revenue comprises:

US\$237.5 million taxes on income and profit,
US\$235.9 million taxes on international trade,
US\$63.4 million goods and services tax, and
US\$5.2 million real property tax accounts.
US\$6.1 million Other Taxes

Non-tax revenue also comprises:

US\$95.3 million property income tax
US\$19.6 million administrative fees
US\$0.341 million fines, penalty and forfeits

Table 2: Expenditure Categories

BUDGET TYPE	FY2022 BUDGET	% SHARE	FY2023 ESTIMATE	% SHARE	GROWTH (%)
PSIP	142,380,000	18.1%	153,995,406	19.8%	8.2%
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS	142,380,000	18.1%	153,995,406	19.8%	8.2%
RECURRENT	643,207,340	81.9%	623,947,373	80.2%	-13.5%
COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES	291,801,220	37.1%	295,620,939	38.0%	2.7%
USE OF GOODS AND SERVICES	127,401,454	16.2%	106,328,000	13.7%	-14.8%
SUBSIDY	4,145,761	0.5%	15,696,654	2.0%	8.1%
GRANTS	70,099,420	8.9%	89,573,033	11.5%	13.7%
SOCIAL BENEFITS	13,804,131	1.8%	16,524,831	2.1%	1.9%
NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS	15,955,354	2.0%	8,631,003	1.1%	-5.1%
DOMESTIC LIABILITIES	84,979,139	10.8%	35,112,551	4.5%	-35.0%
FOREIGN LIABILITIES	35,020,861	4.5%	56,460,362	7.3%	15.1%
Grand Total	785,587,340	100.0%	777,942,779	100.0%	-5.4%

US\$91.6 million or 11.8 percent of total budget for public debt servicing, which includes interest and principle payments to domestic and external creditors. Total domestic creditors account for US\$35.1 million or 38.3 percent of the total debt service projected, while external creditors account for US\$56.5 million or 61.7 percent. Domestic creditors include Central Bank of Liberia, commercial banks, and other businesses. External creditors include bilateral and multilateral institutions.

US\$295.6 million of total budget for personnel and personnel related expenditures: salaries for all 65,000 employees of the government, plus 2,000 newly recruited soldiers of the AFL. This cost also includes teachers, doctors, nurses, military and paramilitary personnels, elected and appointed officials and other professionals.

US\$18.4 million for basic healthcare delivery services: US\$8.0 million for drugs, vaccines, medical supplies and consumables, food, fuel & lubricants, as well as repairs and maintenance of public health facilities. This also includes additional US\$8.4 million of government transfers (Grants and Subsidies) to public and private health facilities. There is also additional new funding of US\$0.8 million for the renovation and furnishing of C.H. Rennie Hospital.

US\$57.8 million for the expansion of basic services and investment in critical infrastructures: US\$15 million for the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges, US\$26.8 million projected to be spent under the National Road Fund, US\$14 million as GOL contribution under SECAMP, and US\$2 million for the acquisition of Navigation Aid Equipment for the Roberts International Airport (RIA).

US\$12.4 million in Government transfers to support public and private institutions for delivering basic social services of education and at Local Government level. This include US\$3.0 million for County Development Fund, US\$6.1 million for Social Development Fund to be contributed by Western Cluster Mining, Acelor Mittal Steel Liberia and Firestone Liberia Incorporated. It also includes US\$2.8 million for Tuition Free Policy. Additionally, there is US\$0.9 million in community forest sharing agreement and direct support for the running cost of County Service Centers.

US\$13.1 million investment in the provision of social development services: US\$5.0 million in fulfillment of presidential county tour promises; US\$3.0 million for implementation of GRPB Program, the SGBV Roadmap including support for vulnerable small businesses for women economic empowerment, and the continuation of the Albino Society Headquarters Project; US\$2.6 million for national priority supports(including the national teams and county meet) and youth programs. US\$1.0 million for Coastal Sanitation project, US\$0.5 million for renovation of sports facilities, and US\$1.0 million as GOL Contribution to At Risk Youth Rehabilitation Programme.

US\$9.4 million to support education services, including US\$5.6 million for basic education materials and supplies, examination fees for 12th grade candidates for WASSCE and 9th grade candidates for WAEC, US\$2.5 million targeted towards the elimination of registration fees and all forms of financial burdens imposed on parents over the long term. Additionally, there is a US\$0.5 million for the completion of rehabilitation works at University of Liberia, and US\$0.7 million for the acquisition of machineries and other equipment for the Engineering College and support for the expatriates Indian Professors at William V.S. Tubman University.

US\$53.1 million investment in energy and sanitation hygiene. This includes US\$46.0 million investments in the Cote d'Ivoire, Liberia Sierra Leone and Guinea Project under the West Africa Power Pool Program. US\$4.8 million for electricity bills to the Liberia Electricity Corporation as well as US\$2.3 million for the promotion of sanitation and hygiene for the collection and disposal of gabbages under the transformation of solid wastes management.

US\$37.0 million investment spending on the 2023 general and presidential elections for the conduct of a free, fair and transparent elections.

Table 3: Expenditure Distribution by Budget Sectors

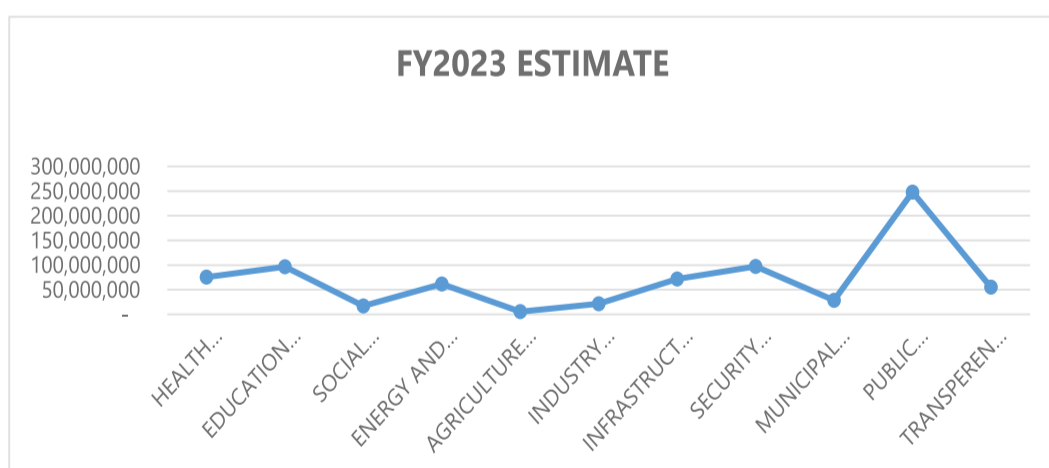


Table 3: Budget Sectors and PAPD

SECTOR	FY2022 BUDGET	FY2023 ESTIMATE	% SHARE OF TOTAL BUDGET
PAPD Pillar 1: Power to the People	189,245,547	189,183,580	24.3%
Health Sector	76,681,756	75,521,692	9.7%
Education Sector	91,926,871	96,711,429	12.4%
Social Development Sector	20,636,920	16,950,459	84.1%
PAPD Pillar 2: Economy and Jobs	139,500,665	159,976,238	20.6%
Energy and Environment Sector	49,707,724	61,797,144	7.9%
Agriculture Sector	6,813,644	5,422,937	1%
Industry and Commerce Sector	14,994,154	21,309,174	2.7%
Infrastructure and Basic Services Sector	67,985,143	71,446,983	9.2%
PAPD Pillar 3: Sustaining the Peace	102,009,767	96,869,527	12.5%
Security and Rule of Law Sector	102,009,767	96,869,527	12.5%
PAPD Pillar 4: Governance and Transparency	380,558,169	331,913,434	42.7%
Municipal Government Sector	29,677,339	28,529,522	3.7%
Public Administration Sector	308,903,619	247,979,437	31.9%
Transparency and Accountability Sector	41,977,211	55,404,475	7.1%
Grand Total	811,314,148	777,942,779	100.1%

Table 4: Public Sector Investment Plan (PSIP)

PSIP TABLE	FY2023 ESTIMATE	% OF TOTAL BUDGET
Education Sector	3,400,000	2.2%
Implementing Free & Compulsory Primary Education	2,500,000	
Renovation of Public University Facility	500,000	
Support to Engineering College	400,000	
Energy and Environment Sector	46,000,000	29.9%
CPF: CLSG Allocation	46,000,000	
Health Sector	800,000	0.5%
Renovation of Public Health Facilities - CH. Rennie Hospital	800,000	
Industry and Commerce Sector	2,000,000	1.3%
Vulnerable Small Business Support Programme	2,000,000	
Infrastructure and Basic Services Sector	52,824,419	34.3%
Construction of Roads and Bridges	10,000,000	
CPF: GOL Roads Obligation-SECAMP	14,000,000	
National Road Fund	26,824,419	
RIA Equipment	2,000,000	
Municipal Government Sector	2,250,000	1.5%
Clean Cities Campaign	1,500,000	
Landfill and Urban Sanitation Project	750,000	
Public Administration Sector	1,500,000	1.0%
Humanitarian Outreach	700,000	
Renovation of the Executive Ma	800,000	
Security and Rule of Law Sector	4,000,000	2.6%
Elections-Security	4,000,000	
Social Development Services Sector	8,220,987	5.3%
SGBV Roadmap Implementation Programme	629,987	
Albino Society Headquarters	91,000	
Coastal Sanitation Project	1,000,000	
County Tour Implementation and Spot Check	5,000,000	
CPF: Contribution to At Risk Youth Rehabilitation Programme	1,000,000	
Renovation of Sports Facilities	500,000	
Transparency and Accountability Sector	33,000,000	21.4%
Elections	33,000,000	
Grand Total	153,995,406	100.0%

Fiscal Transparency and FY2023 Public Participation Mechanism

For the first time since 2012 when the Government asceded to the transparency indices, town hall consultations were conducted under Liberia's Public Participation Mechanism (Pre-Budget Consultations) across five counties to solicit inputs from its citizens on revenue options and expenditure priorities: 4 revenue options and 20 expenditure priorities affecting six sectors (health, education, security & rule of law, social development, transparency and accountability ad agriculture) were recommendations the citizens and received by the Executive. In this Draft National Budget, the Executive Branch of Government has considered two (2) revenue options (amendment to the Revenue Code of 2011 and Reviewig the Tax Exemptions List): In FY2023, beneficiaries of Executive Orders and Investment Incentives will be reviewed and possible suspensions will be effected, yielding a potential savings of approximately US\$15 million. These actions will be implemented jointly by the Ministry of Finance and Development Planning, Liberia Revenue Authority and the Bureau of State Owned-Enterprises. Six recommendations related to expenditure priorities of the citizens have been considered by the Executive Branch of Government: new funding of additional US\$3 million for drugs, vaccines and medical supplies, US\$2.5 million for elimination of registration fees and all forms of financial burdens imposed on parencts aimed at retaining enrollment rates and the disaggregation of the Ministry of Education to reflect public spending by county and deconcentrating financial management from central government to make more functional and operation of the County School Boards under the jurisdiction of the County Education Officer; maintain US\$1 million for the continuation of the rehabilitation programmes for vulnerable youth and US\$0.9 million for support of the SGBV Roadmap and GRPB implementation to address gender-based violence and gender economic empowerment. Budgetary allocations have been increased for GAC and LACC with FIU and IAA remaining broadly stable.

Français

L'opposition libérienne s'en prend à l'église Dominion Christian Fellowship

Le Congrès des jeunes de l'ancien parti au pouvoir est irrité par le fait que le président George Manneh Weah utilise constamment la chaire de l'église Dominion Christian Fellowship pour en découdre avec l'opposition.

une plainte formelle devant le président du Conseil des Églises du Libéria (LCC), le révérend Dr Samuel B. Reeves, le jeudi 22 décembre 2022, contre le pasteur Isaac Winker, archevêque d'Isaac Winker Global Ministries.

Il l'accuse de constamment mettre la chaire de Dieu à la

l'archevêque d'Isaac Winker risque de nuire à l'image de toutes les autres Églises du Libéria ».

Le Congrès des jeunes de l'UP a également dit espérer que le président du LCC accordera une attention urgente à la communication pour éviter que l'image des autres églises soient traînée dans la boue.

« L'acte n'est pas qu'antipatriotique, il a aussi tendance à créer plus de haine parmi les citoyens et il est contraire aux normes religieuses de l'éthique chrétienne. La chaire dans la chrétienté est un lieu où la voix de Dieu est entendue et l'esprit saint utilise la chaire de manière à communiquer le message biblique rationnel afin de transformer des vies et de gagner des âmes pour la seconde venue du Christ. L'Église devrait être un lieu de paix et non un moyen de cracher des messages de haine », a dit Cephass.

« L'Église ne doit pas être utilisée à des fins commerciales, mais plutôt comme un lieu de paix et d'unité et d'organisation d'activités caritatives, bibliques. Tite 1 : 7 dit que le pasteur est un intendant fidèle », a-t-il ajouté.



Pour le président du Congrès des jeunes du Parti de l'Unité, Togar Melvin Cephass, cet acte est un abus complet de la chaire de Dieu à des fins purement politiques et égoïstes.

M. Cephass ne s'est pas contenté d'émettre des critiques. Il a aussi déposé

disposition du président Weah pour insulter des Libériens pacifiques et les acteurs politiques de l'opposition, ce, « pour des gains purement égoïstes et cupides ».

Le Congrès des jeunes de l'UP appelle donc le Conseil libérien des Églises à prendre la question au sérieux, car « l'attitude de

Côte d'Ivoire : quatre accusés condamnés à la perpétuité au procès de l'attentat de Grand-Bassam

Les quatre accusés au procès de l'attentat de Grand-Bassam, qui avait fait 19 morts en mars 2016, ont été condamnés à la perpétuité, mercredi 28 décembre. Le tribunal s'est rangé à l'avis donné par le procureur de la République au moment de rendre son verdict. Six autres accusés, absents, ont aussi été condamnés à la perpétuité par contumace.

Après cinq semaines de procès, le tribunal a suivi la position du procureur de la République, Richard Adou. Celui-ci avait demandé, la semaine dernière, « une peine exemplaire et dissuasive » et avait requis la perpétuité pour les quatre accusés présents dans la salle.

Les quatre hommes présents à l'audience, Hantao Ag Mohamed Cissé, Sidi Mohamed Kounta, Mohamed Cissé et Hassan Barry, étaient accusés d'être complices de l'attaque qui a coûté la vie à 19 personnes dans la ville balnéaire de Grand-Bassam, notamment d'avoir aidé les jihadistes pour l'hébergement, le

transport ou encore le repérage des lieux.

Les voies de recours envisagées Les quatre ont toujours nié connaître les intentions criminelles des organisateurs de l'attaque et clamé leur innocence depuis le début de l'instruction, sans parvenir à convaincre le tribunal.

Après l'audience, leur avocat Me Saki a dit être « heureux pour ceux qui ont été totalement blanchis. Mais je suis triste pour ces quatre personnes qui auraient dû bénéficier également de la décision d'un acquittement. Le

tribunal aurait dû aller jusqu'au bout de sa démarche. Mais nous ne désespérons pas, car des voies de recours existent ». La défense avait demandé l'acquittement pur et simple. Elle a désormais 20 jours pour faire appel.

Au total, ils étaient 18 accusés. Parmi eux, 6 absents, en fuite ou en détention au Mali, ont été condamnés par contumace à perpétuité. On trouve parmi eux Kounta Dalla et Ould Baba, pointés comme les deux cerveaux de l'opération.



Éditorial

Il faut autonomiser financièrement les médias libériens

Les journaux du Libéria sont confrontés à de graves difficultés économiques en raison du déclin de l'économie libérienne. Ils sont incapables de faire face aux frais de production pour rester à flot dans l'industrie.

Le président nouvellement intronisé de l'Association des rédacteurs en chef du Libéria (PAL), M. Othello B. Garblah, l'a dit sans ambages au cours du week-end lors de la cérémonie d'intronisation à la direction de PAL. Il a déploré que depuis l'arrivée de l'administration Weah, les médias au Libéria soient relégués en arrière-plan en ce qui concerne les programmes de transformation. M. Garblah a dit qu'il en est ainsi après près de deux décennies de paix, apparemment en raison de projets malavisés des donateurs qui visaient à donner aux médias les moyens de devenir viables pour faire face aux réalités et aux défis actuels.

« L'environnement économique du pays se dégrade chaque semaine, et la survie de la presse repose sur sa viabilité économique, des annonces ou de contrats commerciaux. Mais, même le paiement pour les quelques annonces publiées ne vient pas si facilement ».

C'est la triste réalité à laquelle les médias du Libéria sont confrontés. Les entreprises ne font pas de publicité en raison de la mauvaise conjoncture économique et le gouvernement, qui est le plus grand annonceur, hésite à payer pour les publicités placées dans les journaux. Pourtant, il est rigide lorsqu'il s'agit d'exiger ou de faire pression sur les gestionnaires des médias pour qu'ils soient en règle vis-à-vis des taxes et autres péages.

Pour que le quatrième pouvoir, comme les médias sont souvent identifiés, puisse survivre et prospérer, il a besoin d'un soutien, qui pourrait prendre la forme de subventions ou d'un environnement économique dynamique et d'un paiement rapide pour les services rendus.

Les médias ne sont pas seulement une conscience de la société, mais un segment critique de toute société. Il ne fonctionne pas isolément. Son travail sacrificiel doit être respecté et soutenu afin qu'il puisse jouer son rôle de sentinelle.

C'est pourquoi il est important que le gouvernement et le secteur privé encouragent le partenariat avec les médias dans la construction d'une société qui fonctionne de manière saine pour le bien commun. En tant que chien de garde de la société, les médias sont un partenaire pour le bien et doivent être traités de cette manière.

Cependant, ce qui a été observé au fil des ans concernant la façon dont le gouvernement et les politiciens perçoivent la presse laisse à désirer. Ils préfèrent plutôt voir les médias promouvoir leurs ambitions égoïstes plutôt que le bien public, auquel aucun journaliste intègre ne devrait céder ou souscrire.

Tout ce que nous recherchons, c'est un partenariat respectable qui ferait avancer la cause sociale et protégerait les droits des moins fortunés dans un monde où la cupidité, le pouvoir et la méchanceté occupent le devant de la scène. Notre devoir est un devoir désintéressé que nous sommes prêts non seulement à respecter mais à défendre pour la plus grande majorité quoi qu'il arrive.

Nous pensons qu'un partenariat solide avec les médias contribuerait non seulement à maintenir la paix, la sécurité et la démocratie, mais aussi à favoriser un environnement propice à des activités économiques rentables et à une croissance des entreprises conduisant à un développement rapide.



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**Section I. Invitation for Bid
National Competitive Bidding
Provision of Security Guard Services
IFB No. LRA/SBA/NCB/003/2023**

The Liberia Revenue Authority (LRA) has received budgetary appropriation from the FY-2023 National Budget for the Provision of Security Guard Services (IFB No. LRA/SBA/NCB/003/2023, and is now inviting your company along with others as follows:

Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding Procurement Method enshrined in the revised **PPC Act 2010**.

Qualification requirement include:

- 1) Valid Business Registration Certificate (registered with Business Code: N8010)
- 2) Valid Tax Clearance
- 3) Company Profile
- 4) Proof of similar Services Rendered
- 5) Bid Security (in the form of a Managers Check/Bank Guarantee)
- 6) Permit from Ministry of Justice
- 7) PPCC Vendor Registration Certificate

You may obtain copy of the bidding document from the Procurement Section at a non-refundable fee of **US\$25.00**, beginning **Friday, December 23, 2022** from the LRA Headquarters at **9: 00 am to 3:00 pm** daily.

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security in form of Manager's check/Bank Guarantee of **US\$500** from a reputable bank and must be valid for the period of **90 days**. Bids must be valid for **90 days** after the deadline of submission.

Sealed bids must be delivered to the Procurement Section at the address below on or before and not later than **Friday, January 20, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.**

**Liberia Revenue Authority
LRA Headquarters
Paynesville, Liberia
Tel: 231- (0886)-676-046
Email: lovetta.johns@lra.gov.lr and procurement@lra.gov.lr**

Bids will be accepted both in hard and electronic copies. Late bids will be rejected and returned unopened.

Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders who choose to attend or their representatives on **Friday, January 20, 2023 at 1:00pm in the Conference Room on the Basement Floor of the LRA Headquarters.**

The address referred is:

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A pre-bid meeting will be held at the conference room of the LRA Headquarters, Basement Floor on **Friday, January 6, 2023 at 11:30 am**

The most responsive Bidder will be issued a Framework Contract.

The Liberia Revenue Authority reserves the right to reject or accept any bid submitted and to annul the entire process at time without incurring any liability.

Signed:

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Lovetta W. J. Williams
Procurement Manager

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APM Terminals Liberia impacts communities with clean up, donation exercises

APM Terminals Liberia as part of its social initiatives, has embarked on a community project geared towards helping the Doe and Freeport communities which are within its operational area become more environmentally resilient. The annual project

that they are part of some of the communities struggling with sanitary and environmental conditions.

With the contracted service of Facility and Waste Management firm Cleanex Incorporated, the company engaged the communities to clean drainages, remove solid waste from designated

the project and sustain the good works started by APM Terminals Liberia.

For the second phase, APM Terminals Liberia purchased and donated assorted foodstuff to Group of 77 Liberia, and the Antoinette Tubman Chesire Home, a not-for-profit group catering for individuals with cerebral palsy, especially children, and persons with other physical and mental disabilities. All the foodstuffs were purposely bought from local vendors.

This was specifically geared towards promoting the work of local farmers and vendors to enable them grow and sell more fruits and vegetables as the company helps the poor and needy in society.

Momo Sambola, APM Terminals Liberia staff and a representative of the Dock Workers Union of Liberia (DOWUL) who led the donation emphasized to the beneficiaries that the company has the welfare of the less privileged in society at heart and will continue to support vulnerable groups in society.

Rounding up these series of community programs, Mr Clay Crain, APM Terminals Liberia Managing Director, who was personally involved in these exercises, expressed appreciation to the communities for warmly receiving and partaking in the campaign. He emphasized the importance of clean and environmentally friendly communities and applauded the youth for their involvement. *-Press release*



dubbed the "Go-Green campaign" was for this year, undertaken in two phases and was aimed at supporting these communities adopt environmentally conscious practices that promotes good health and reduces the risk of flooding. It was also aimed at supporting the less privileged and physically disabled with food items. The first phase involved a cleanup exercise in the Doe and Freeport communities which are within the Port area. These communities were identified based on a site assessment conducted, which revealed

dumping sites in the community for onward disposal at an approved solid waste site. In all 12,500 ft length, 5 ft of width and 6ft depth of was the total size of drainages cleared through this exercise.

The Community Chairman, Mr. John Ellis, on behalf of the community, expressed his appreciation to APM Terminals Liberia Management adding that the initiative has been extremely beneficial to every community member because cleanliness is everyone's business. He further encouraged the community members to take ownership of

'I'm Liberian by heart'

-Jeety tells residents in Weala

India's former Honorary Consul General to Liberia Mr. Upjit Singh Sachdeva (Mr. Jeety) has declared himself a "Liberian by heart, and Indian by Passport." "I just moved here [Weala, Margibi County] not less than six or eight months ago, Weala; I'm a Liberian by heart, and Indian by passport. Weala is my home, I want to live here, I want to die here," said Mr. Jeety.

As part of his routine feeding program for less fortunate folks, kids, and inmates, Mr. Jeety was joined by Liberia's Vice President Madam Jewel Howard-Taylor on Christmas Day, 25 December 2022 to feed inmates at the Monrovia Central Prison.

They fed 1,361n inmates at the Monrovia Central Prison before he made his trip to Cinta, Weala to hold the children's party.

The Indian businessman

and philanthropist and his delegation fed 3,000 persons from communities across Monrovia, and over 1,000 kids in Cinta, Margibi County on Christmas Day.

Jeety said that Christmas, the Lord Jesus Christ's birthday, is a day of sharing.

According to him, it was his first Christmas spent in Weala, and he decided to hold a children's party there so that

all who did not have food could merry make at the children's Christmas party.

During the party, Mr. Jeety assured residents that for years to come, he will always hold parties for children on Liberia's Independence Day, which is July 26, and on Christmas day.

He said what he is doing is God's work, adding that he is seeking God's blessings.



Liberia, UAE sign cooperation agreement

By Emmanuel wise Jipoh

On the sideline of the dedication of the Modern states of the art Emirates Hospital in Bopolu, Gbarpolu County, the Government of Liberia (GOL) and its counterpart, the United Arab Emirates, have signed a bilateral cooperation agreement for infrastructural development to come to the West African country.

The agreement signed the same day of the dedication of the hospital will enhance smooth operations between the two sides in economic empowerment and essential services.

Liberia's Foreign Minister Amb. Dee-Maxwell Saah Kemayah, Sr., inked the papers

Agriculture, including agro-processing activities, livestock, fisheries, and acquisition or lease of agricultural lands.

It also includes energy and renewable energy, mining and industry, infrastructure, construction, real estate, tourism, telecommunication, and transportation, among others.

"The Contracting Parties may decide to co-operate in other areas that appear to be more advantageous, considering the priorities of the economic policy of the states of the Parties," the agreement said.

"To implement the Economic and technical cooperation under this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall encourage relevant specialized entities and business communities to explore the



works on behalf of Liberia, while the United Arab Emirates, Minister of States on Foreign Affairs and Relations, Sheikh Shakhboot Nahyan Al Nahyan, signed the documentation for the Arab Government.

An insight into the agreement also revealed trade in Goods and Services, Investment, and

possibilities of executing projects in various areas of economic and technical cooperation," it added.

The agreement further mentioned that the Contracting Parties shall grant special facilities and incentives to investors in both countries if such actions are under their legislation in force and the international obligations and commitments of both countries.

LBDI faces US\$2.5m lawsuit

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failed to pay and settle his loan facility at the LBDI. Mr. Dennis also alleged that on 28 November 2022 on a radio talk show named and styled as "Super Morning Show," presented on ELBC on 99.9 FM, defendant Delaney named and called him for shaming as one of LBDI's top 25 deficit borrowers relative to non-performing loans totaling over US\$19 million.

"While it's true that the second defendant's statements were fabricated and intended to name and shame the plaintiff, after the insurance of the slanderous comments and ideas against the plaintiff, the complainant wrote the first defendant, LBDI about the wrongful conduct of the second defendant on December 7, 2022, because information made by the second defendant

was wrong and in violation of the rule and guidelines of the bank as well as the Central Bank of Liberia regulation," Mr. Dennis stated in his complaint.

Mr. Dennis noted that still up to the filing of this complaint, the defendants have failed to retract their slanderous and libelous statements. Meanwhile, the presiding Judge, J. Kennedy Peabody has issued a writ of summons against the defendants, LBDI, and Mr. Deo Delaney.

"You are at this moment commanded to summon the within named defendants, the management of the LBDI, and Mr. Deo Delaney, in the above-entitled cause of action, to appear before this court sitting in its March term 2023 to convene on the 21st Day [of] March 2023, at the hour of 10:00 am, to answer to the complaint," he said.

VP Taylor feels unsafe LBDI faces US\$2.5m lawsuit

Liberia's Vice President Jewel Howard-Taylor's party feels that she is unsafe, and it has requested the Ministry of Justice to investigate an alleged threat against her life and security. The alleged threat in question comes from within

"Madam, what a Christmas present you have given us," the NPP accused Biney as saying.

"By this, you have drawn the line, and mark my word today, your latest decision to recognize Mr. Kparklain as the Party Chairman will cost

the same day and at the same venue due to the party's failure to harmonize its conflict.

The CDC later announced its intervention to resolve the NPP crisis, but it seems the former ruling party still has a long way to go.

A release under the signature of NPP Secretary General Morris G. Paye, and approved by NPP chairman Stanley S. Kparklain, says the party has filed a formal complaint before the Justice Ministry against Mr. Biney and referred to him as former chairman.

It said Biney's statement in the NPP chat room amounts to a threat to the security and life of the Vice President of the Republic of Liberia and Standard Bearer of the NPP, Mrs. Howard-Taylor.

"Mr. Minister, the NPP considers the statement as a serious national security concern which must claim the attention of the Ministry of Justice and investigate [the] same to delve into the motives and intent of the maker of said statement," the release said.

The NPP noted that while it acknowledges some disagreements within the party which emanate from the conduct of the 7 Biennial Convention held on 7 October 2022, it gives no justification for Biney to issue such a statement which allegedly borders on the safety and security of the Vice President.

As such, the NPP wants Senator Biney to be made to answer for his statement which allegedly poses a security threat to the Vice President.

By Lincoln G. Peters

The Liberian Bank for Development and Investment (LBDI) has been sued by one of its former presidents, Mr. Francis Dennis, with a demand for US\$2,500,000.00 for slander and libel.

Dennis filed the complaint of action damages against both LBDI and its immediate past president Mr. Deo Delaney.

Delaney recently resigned after the LBDI Board became aware that he faked his credentials to secure the top job as bank president and chief

Judicial Civil Law Court of Montserrado County, Judge J. Kennedy Peabody for the defendants to answer to the allegation.

Dennis accused Delaney of willfully, intentionally, and purposely engaging in a slanderous and libelous campaign to harm, defame, embarrass and humiliate him (Dennis) while in his official capacity as LBDI president/CEO.

He alleged that Delaney went on social media, news networks, and platforms, including radio stations to brand him as one of the top 25 delinquent customers of



her party, the National Patriotic Party (NPP) of her estranged husband, imprisoned former President Charles Ghankay Taylor.

you dearly. You have put everything you have politically on the line," the complaint added.

"This [response] will require you and your advisors to decode to understand its interpretation. I wish you a blessed Christmas."

The NPP which ruled Liberia under imprisoned former President Charles Ghankay Taylor's leadership is now a constituent party of the ruling Coalition for Democratic Change (CDC).

But years of internal conflict have not seized in the NPP, with the latest seeing the party split into factions between the vice president and Mr. Biney. This year, the NPP factions had two separate conventions on

James Biney, a Senator for Maryland County, southeast Liberia, and embattled NPP chair faces an accusation from a faction of the NPP loyal to Vice President Howard-Taylor of threatening the latter through the party's chat room.

The NPP in a communication dated 27 December 2022, has accused Biney of issuing a threat in the party's chat room that Vice President Howard-Taylor's decision to recognize Stanley S. Kparklain as NPP National Chairman will cost her dearly.

"The Senator in his post directed to the Vice President threatened her when he stated

Weah dedicates 20m

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counties of Bomi, Grand Cape Mount, and Lofa, including neighboring countries of Sierra Leone, and Guinea to gain access to health care.

"I am asking you all to pay particular attention to the maintenance of this facility," he urged.

President Weah lauded the Government of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), through its Minister of State, Foreign Affairs, and International Cooperation, Sheikh Shakhboot Nahyan Al Nahyan, on behalf of UAE President, Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed

Al Nahyan, with profound gratitude for humanitarian generosity to the People of Liberia.

"The dedication of the facility is a clear manifestation of his government's commitment to improving the quality of health services in Liberia by expanding health province to the rural population," he said.

For his part, the Minister of State, Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Arab Emirates, Nahyan Al Nahyan, expressed his gratitude on behalf of the

President of the UAE as he turned over the key of the facility to President Weah.

Speaking earlier Liberia's Health Minister Dr. Wilhelmina Jallah, thanked the UAE delegation for the hospital.

She noted that President Weah's focus is on developing the health sector is commendable because it will improve the lives of his people.



executive officer (CEO).

Dennis filed his complaint on 22 December 2022 before the presiding judge of the Sixth

the bank who has intentionally and wrongfully and deliberately

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JUDICIAL BRANCH REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

BEFORE HIS HONOR: SCHEAPLOR R. DUNBAR ASSIGNED CIRCUIT JUDGE

THE PETITION OF SCOTT SUNDAY OKEIHIE PETITIONER, BY AND THRU HIS LEGAL COUNSEL PRAYING THIS HONORABLE COURT FOR A DECREE OF CHANGE OF NAME IN FAVOR OF PETITIONER TO BE KNOWN, CALLED AND REFERRED TO AS "IBEKWEM SCOTT SUNDAY OKEIHIE."

COURT'S DECREE OF CHANGE OF NAME

The Petitioner by and thru his legal Counsel filed a Petition before this Court requesting this Honorable Court to order the Change of his name from SCOTT SUNDAY OKEIHIE to "IBEKWEM SCOTT SUNDAY OKEIHIE."

During the hearing, the Petitioner testified that the Change of his name requesting this Honorable Court is intended to reflect his biological father's name. After conducting the necessary interrogations required by law in these proceedings, the Court observed that the intention is just and legal and that there is no objection to the change of name proposed by him.

That the Petitioner by and thru his legal counsel having shown with justification and satisfaction that he was born on November 26, 1967, Obowo Imo State, Federal Republic of Nigeria, and that he was born unto the union of Mr. James U. Okeihie and Madam Felisha U. Okeihie and that the Change of his name will substantially promote his interest in all of the understandings and help to establish his just identity more firmly and that he has met all legal requirements for the Change of his name in this jurisdiction.

The Petition having been heard, same is hereby ordered granted and we now render that the name Scott Sunday Okeihie be changed to "Ibekwem Scott Sunday Okeihie" beginning this 14th Day of December, A.D. 2022. That all documents signed by the Petitioner herein prior to this decree remain valid.

THIS DECREE shall be registered in the Office of the Registrar of DEEDS and other Official Documentations within (10) days from this date and also be published twice in any recognized Newspaper operating in the Republic of Liberia within twenty(20) days from this date. AND IT IS HEREBY SO ORDERED.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THIS HONORABLE COURT, THIS 14th DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D. 2022.

COURT SEAL: SCHEAPLOR R. DUNBAR, ASSIGNED CIRCUIT JUDGE PRESIDING, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MONT. CO., R.L.

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JUDICIAL BRANCH REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

BEFORE HIS HONOR: SCHEAPLOR R. DUNBAR ASSIGNED CIRCUIT JUDGE

THE PETITION OF EMMANUEL O. INNOCENT PETITIONER, BY AND THRU HIS LEGAL COUNSEL PRAYING THIS HONORABLE COURT FOR A DECREE OF CHANGE OF NAME IN FAVOR OF PETITIONER TO BE KNOWN, CALLED AND REFERRED TO AS "EBHEZONA INNOCENT OBIWULU."

COURT'S DECREE OF CHANGE OF NAME

The Petitioner by and thru his legal Counsel filed a Petition before this Court requesting this Honorable Court to order the Change of his name from Emmanuel O. Innocent to "Ebehezona Innocent Obiwulu."

During the hearing, the Petitioner testified that the Change of his name requesting this Honorable Court is intended to reflect his identity. After conducting the necessary interrogations required by law in these proceedings, the Court observed that the intention is just and legal and that there is no objection to the change of name proposed by him.

That the Petitioner by and thru his legal counsel having shown with justification and satisfaction that he was born on March 4, 1974, Anambra State, Federal Republic of Nigeria, and that the Change of his name will substantially promote his interest in all of the understandings and help to establish his just identity more firmly and that he has met all legal requirements for the Change of his name in this jurisdiction.

The Petition having been heard, same is hereby ordered granted and we now render that the name Emmanuel O. Innocent be changed to "Ebehezona Innocent Obiwulu" beginning this 14th Day of December, A.D. 2022. That all documents signed by the Petitioner herein prior to this decree remain valid.

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Weah dedicates 20m Emirates Hospital

By Emmanuel wise Jipoh
President George Weah has dedicated the Emirates Hospital in Bopolu City, Gbarpolu County in Western Liberia, an initiative funded by the Government of the United Arab Emirates. The 100-bed hospital is

Opening the modern hospital, President George Manneh Weah said his government is committed to improving access to essential and quality health services throughout the country. Mr. Weah said improving healthcare

“...My government is committed to creating access to health infrastructures by constructing more new health facilities in under-served communities,” he said. According to him, the hospital is equipped with all the relevant departments of a modern hospital around the world, including, the



Pres. Weah receives the symbolic key of the Emirates Hospital

part of phase one of approximately ten hospital projects to be executed by the Government of Liberia. The projects are being undertaken through a bilateral partnership with the Government of the United Arab Emirates across the fifteenth political subdivisions of Liberia. The Emirates Hospital is worth \$20 Million United States dollars and is seated on 52,000 square feet of land space.

delivery has always been foundational to the Pro-poor Agenda for Prosperity and Development (PAPD). He explained that this is why there have been consistent increases and add-ons to the operational budgets for already-existing hospitals to provide the equipment and trained staff required for the delivery of critically needed services.

Urgent Care Department, Diagnostic Department, Operation Theater, Mother and Child Department, NICU and Intensive Care Department, Internal Medicine and Pulmonology Department, as well as a Source of Solar energy in every corner of the hospital. President Weah stated that the construction of the hospital will enable residents of the remote region of Bopolu, Gbarpolu County, and its surrounding

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