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# Continental News

## Life is improving in Nigeria, Tinubu says

President Bola Tinubu has told Nigerians that the worst is behind them and that the country is getting better, in a speech to mark the end of his second year in office.

described Tinubu's two years in office as a "massive disappointment".In a statement released to mark Tinubu's second anniversary, the party which lost power in 2015 said the president

than before.The World Bank predicts that Nigeria's total output, or GDP, will grow by 4% this year - a faster rate than the 3% when Tinubu took over.However, unemployment remains a major concern, with many graduates still complaining about not being able to find jobs.The president said he had little choice about removing the subsidy, saying the huge cost was a "chokehold on our nation's neck, strangling our nation's future", while allowing corruption to thrive.

After his inauguration and under what he called a "Renewed Hope Agenda", Tinubu pledged to tackle economic instability, improve security nationwide, reduce corruption, reform governance, and lift Nigerians out of poverty.Public affairs analyst professor Adeosun Olufemi told the BBC he feels the president has made positive gains in some areas, adding that the governors of Nigeria's 36 states should take the blame for some of the problems over the past two years."After the president announced fuel subsidy removal, money allocated to state governors increased heavily but what have they done with it?" he asked.The president, 73, won the bruising 2023 election with 37% of the vote - defeating former Vice-President Atiku Abubakar and former governor Peter Obi in a three-way race.BBC

had failed Nigerians.

But Tinubu said the situation was now improving: "Despite the bump in the cost of living, we have made undeniable progress. Inflation has begun to ease, with rice prices and other staples declining."Inflation was 24% last month, according to the official figures, compared to 22% when he took over.This is an improvement from this time last year when it stood at 34%. Weeks later Nigerians took to the streets in a nationwide protest that left several people dead.A fall in the rate of inflation does not mean that prices are falling - just that they are rising at a slower rate

## Kenyan president apologises to Tanzania over deportation row

Kenya's President William Ruto has publicly apologised to Tanzania following days of tension between the neighbouring countries.Some Kenyans on social media have been targeting Tanzania's President Samia Suluhu Hassan following the recent detention and deportation of prominent East African activists.Angry Tanzanian MPs on Monday accused Kenyans of cyberbullying and disrespecting Tanzanian sovereignty and "meddling in domestic affairs".

Speaking at a national prayer breakfast on Wednesday, Ruto appeared to extend an olive branch to Tanzania."To our neighbours from Tanzania, if we have wronged you in any way, forgive us," he said.

"If there is anything that Kenyans have done that is not right, we want to apologise," the president added.Ruto also apologised to young Kenyans, popularly known as Gen-Zs, who have been critical of his administration since the

deadly anti-tax protesters last June.

Some of them have dismissed Ruto's apology, insisting that the president should resign.The president made the remarks in response to a call by visiting American preacher Rickey Allen Bolden, who urged leaders to pursue reconciliation.The diplomatic row was triggered by the deportation of activists who had travelled to Tanzania to attend the trial of opposition leader Tundu Lissu. Among them were Kenyan Boniface Mwangi and Agather Atuhaire from Uganda.

The two said they were held incommunicado for several days and tortured, before they were left at the border by Tanzanian security forces, sparking widespread condemnation across the region and from international rights groups. Tanzania is yet to comment on the torture claims but President Samia had earlier warned that she would not allow activists from neighbouring countries to "meddle" in her country's affairs and cause "chaos".Both Kenya and Uganda had formally protested against the detention of the activists.



William Ruto says Kenya is keen to build relationships with its neighbours

## Mother who sold six-year-old daughter given life term in South Africa

A South African woman convicted of kidnapping and trafficking her six-year-old daughter has been sentenced to life in prison, along with her two accomplices.

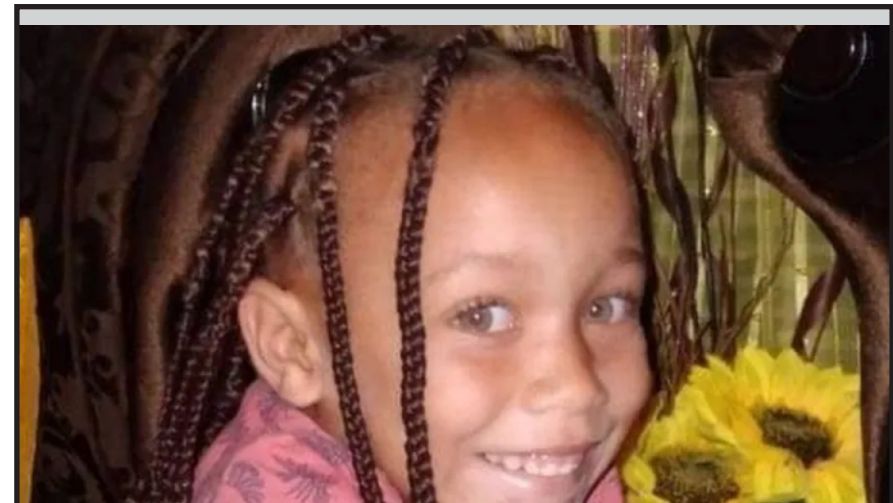
The jail terms for Racquel "Kelly" Smith, her boyfriend Jacquen Appollis and their friend Steveno van Rhyn come more than a year after Joshlin Smith mysteriously disappeared outside her home in Saldanha Bay, near Cape Town.Despite a highly publicised search for the girl, who vanished in February 2024, she is yet to be found.South African prosecutors say she was sold into slavery however this was not definitively proven during the trial.It is believed that Smith, who was addicted to drugs, needed the money.The sentencing follows an eight-week trial that captivated South Africa, with witnesses

had left residents "fractured".Smith, 35, and her accomplices showed no emotion as their sentences were read out in the community centre in Saldanha where the trial was held to allow residents to attend proceedings.Police said the search for the little girl would continue, even beyond South Africa's borders."We will not rest until we find [out] what happened to Joshlin. We are continuing day and night looking for her," Western Cape police commissioner Thembisile Patekile told local media.

The National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) welcomed the sentence and lauded the work of its team in proving that Joshlin was "sold [and] delivered to the intended buyer" for the purpose of "exploitation, namely slavery or practices similar to slavery".

During the trial, the identity of the "intended buyer" was never revealed.

The BBC asked the NPA for further details, however a spokesperson



The court heard that on the day Joshlin Smith disappeared she did not go to school because she did not have a clean uniform

and prosecutors making a number of shocking allegations.

Judge Nathan Erasmus said he "drew no distinction" between the trio in handing down the sentences.

"On the human trafficking charge, you are sentenced to life imprisonment. On the kidnapping charge, you are sentenced to 10 years imprisonment," he said to loud applause in the courtroom.

Judge Erasmus took over an hour to deliver the sentence and was measured as he gave a brief summary of the case and highlighted points that stood out during the trial.

He rebuked the trio, especially Van Rhyn and Smith, saying they showed no remorse for their actions.

"There is nothing that I can find that is redeeming or deserving of a lesser sentence," he said.

He also spoke of the impact their conduct had on the community of Middelpo, where the girl lived, saying it

was unable to provide any.

Emotions were high ahead of the sentencing, with angry community members saying the trio should get a "harsh sentence because they deserve it".Ahead of sentencing, Joshlin's grandmother, Amanda Smith-Daniels, once again pleaded with her daughter to "bring my [grand]child back or tell me where she is"."I don't feel that any sentence they get will bring my grandchild back," she told local broadcaster Newzroom Afrika.Ms Smith-Daniels said that Joshlin's disappearance had left her family "broken".

She urged her daughter to stop blaming others for her misfortune as she "was the person that did the deed".During the trial, the court heard testimonies from more than 30 witnesses, who painted a picture of the young girl's troubled life and subsequent disappearance.


Kelly Smith and her accomplices refused to testify or call any witnesses for their defence.

The most explosive came from Lourentia Lombaard, a friend and neighbour of Smith who turned state witness.BBC










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MANO RIVER UNION  
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

(INDIVIDUAL CONSULTING SERVICE)

FOR THE PROVISION OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO “DEVELOP  
INFRASTRUCTURE FOR GENDER INCLUSION IN TRADE” IN MRU (DIGIT).

COUNTRIES: Sierra Leone and Liberia

Sector: Gender Equality

Mode of Financing: Grant

Project ID: P-Z1-ID0-009

Grant No: 5900155016801

Issued Date: 29 May 2025

The Mano River Union Secretariat has received a grant from the African Development Bank (AfDB) to implement the project to Build Inclusive Business Ecosystems for Stabilization and Transformation (BI-BEST) in the Mano River Union (MRU) and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this grant to payments under the contract for the recruitment of a consultant for the provision of Technical Assistance to “Develop Infrastructure for Gender Inclusion in Trade” in MRU (DIGIT)

The assignment for the provision of Technical Assistance to “Develop Infrastructure for Gender Inclusion in Trade” in MRU (DIGIT) will include the following:

- Conduct an assessment to establish key infrastructure challenges facing small and medium size enterprises (SMEs), mainly cross-border businesses involving women in Sierra Leone and Liberia. Taking into consideration technological advancement, the assessment to be conducted involving all actors, SMEs, and critical stakeholders should endeavour to document findings relative to infrastructural challenges hampering or preventing cross-border traders from accelerating trade in the two countries (Sierra Leone and Liberia) with recommendable actions to help improve trade involving mainly cross-border women in the two countries. The assessment should endeavor to review the ongoing infrastructure arrangement with the ongoing effort of ECOWAS that is aimed at establishing/constructing a Joint Border Post at the Bo-Waterside.
- Produce an Infrastructure Improvement Plan (IIP) that will serve as a roadmap in empowering and transforming trade involving cross-border women in the three selected value chains at the two separate project locations (Jendema/Bo Waterside and Koindu/Foya).

The assignment will be undertaken in one (1) Month (not to exceed 30 working days), and the duration of the contract is six (6) months, from the date of signature of contract.

The Mano River Union Secretariat is therefore inviting eligible individual consultants to submit their Interest with their CVs for providing these services. Interested Consultants shall provide information on their qualifications and experience (cover letter, academic credentials, supporting documents referencing similar services and showing demonstrated experience in similar assignments, etc.) to undertake this Assignment.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank’s “Procurement Policy and Methodology for Bank Group funded Operations” (BPM), dated 2015, which is available on the Bank’s website at <http://www.afdb.org>. MRU is under no obligation to shortlist any consultant who expresses interest.

Interested Individual Consultants may obtain further information and Terms of Reference (ToR) from the Procurement Specialist email address: [kensah@mru.int](mailto:kensah@mru.int) during the Office’s working hours between 09:00 to 17:00 hours GMT.

Proposals (technical and financial) must be delivered to the address below or by email [procurement@mru.int](mailto:procurement@mru.int) not later than June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 4:30pm Sierra Leone time and mention “Expression of Interest to Develop the Infrastructure for Gender Inclusion in Trade in MRU”

Attention:

Mano River Union Secretariat  
32 S Spur Loop, Wilberforce, Freetown  
Rep. of Sierra Leone  
Tel: +23276964965  
E-mail : [procurement@mru.int](mailto:procurement@mru.int)

Specific Procurement Notice

Request for Bids

Goods

Country: Liberia

Name of Project: Governance Reform and Accountability Transformation Project

Contract Title: Procurement of Assorted ICT Equipment

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: P177478

RFB Reference No.: LR-GAC-478401-GO-RFB

1.The Republic of Liberia has received Financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Governance Reform and Accountability Transformation (GREAT) project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for procurement of assorted ICT equipment.

2.The Ministry of Finance and Development Planning for the General Auditing Commission (GAC) through the GREAT project now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for the supply and delivery of the below listed goods:

Item No	Description	Quantity	Delivery
1.	Servers (Rack mount)	2	3 - 4 weeks
2.	Server Operating System (Windows Server 2022 Datacenter Volume License)	1	
3.	Servers Memory (128GB each)	3	
4.	Server Hard Drives (4TB each)	6	
5.	Hard drive (NAS 4TB each)	4	
6.	Network Attached Storage	2	
7.	External Backup drive (4TB)	4	
8.	Switch (Managed 48 port)	3	3 - 4 weeks
9.	Switch (POE 16 port)	3	
10.	Router/access point	3	
11.	CAT 6e Cables (box)	20	
12.	Connectors (RJ45 1000/pk)	13	
13.	Face Plate (double, cartoon)	15	
14.	Network data rack (16U)	2	
15.	Cable Channels (All sizes bundle)	20	
16.	Laptop Computers	44	

3. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers – “February, 2025 (“Procurement Regulations”), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from General Auditing Commission, Procurement Unit, Ground Floor, Old Executive Mansion Building, Ashmun Street, Monrovia, Liberia (Musa C. Kamara [mckamara@gac.gov.lr](mailto:mckamara@gac.gov.lr)); and inspect the bidding document during office hours 9:00 to 16:00 hours.

5. The bidding document in English may be purchased by interested Bidders upon the submission of a written application to the address below.

6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **June 10, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.** Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders’ designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on **June 10, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.**

7. All Bids must be accompanied by a “*Bid Securing Declaration*” as stated in the bidding documents.

8. The address referred to above is:

General Auditing Commission (GAC)  
Attention: **Musa C. Kamara**, Procurement Manager  
Procurement Unit, Ground Floor  
Old Executive Mansion Building, Ashmun Street, Monrovia, Liberia  
Telephone: +231770979437  
Email: [mckamara@gac.gov.lr](mailto:mckamara@gac.gov.lr)  
Website: [www.gac.gov.lr](http://www.gac.gov.lr)

by:   
Musa C. Kamara  
Manager, Procurement Unit/GAC  
Procurement Staff/GREAT Project

Approved by:   
John L. Greaves, II  
Director of Administration/GAC  
Focal Person/GREAT Project



PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT

PLAINTIFF in the above entitled cause of action most respectfully prays Your Honor to have the herein Defendants ejected. Ousted and evicted from its property and have it placed in possession for reasons showeth to wit:

1. That Plaintiff in these proceedings is represented by Administrators who obtained an amended Letter of Administration from the Monthly and probate Court for Montserrado County. Attached and marked exhibit P/1 is a copy of Letter of Administration to form a part of these proceedings
2. That Plaintiff is owner of parcels of land in the settlement of Fendell. County of Montserrado. Which were acquired through honorable purchased from separate Grantors. Please do see attached Marked Exhibit P/2 copies of Land deeds form a cogent part of this proceeding.
3. That Plaintiff first parcel of land was acquired from the late J.I. Faxter in the year 1928 and was issued a title deed to the effect which was probated by law on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May AD 1929. Attached and marked exhibit P/2 is a copy of said title deed to form a cogent of these proceedings.
4. That Plaintiff acquired its second parcel of land from the late Thomas Johnson on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January AD 1940 and was issued a Title Deed which was probated by law on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D1940. Attached and marked as exhibit P/3 is a copy of said title deed to form a cogent of these proceedings.
5. That the Defendant herein without any legal authority, selected unto themselves to enter, occupied and withhold unto themselves Plaintiff's properties for their own purpose and benefit to the total exclusion of Plaintiff.
6. That further to count five(5) above, the prevention of Plaintiff from the exercise of complete control and authority over properties that he legally own have cause him beneficiaries; mental anguish, stress and the want of finance for which the Defendants herein must be made ament for their action by paying a total amount of not less than US\$ 75,000.00 ( SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND UNITED STATES DOLLARS) or any amount that the jurors may find proportional to the effect of the action caused by the Defendants

Wherefore and in view of the forgoing facts and circumstances as stated above, Plaintiff request your Honor to eject, evict, and oust the herein Defendants from the property, subject of these proceedings and cause the named Defendants to pay an amount mentioned above in count six(6). And further grant unto your humble Plaintiff any and all other further relief which may seem just and equitable. And so prays. And submit.

Respectfully submitted:  
PLAINTIFF  
BY &THRU HIS LEGAL COUNSELS  
WRIGHT AND ASSOCIATES LAW FIRM  
SMALLWOOD BUILDING  
MCDONALD STREET,  
OPPOSITE THE MINISTRY OF POSTS AND

REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA) IN THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, CIVIL LAW COURT  
MONTSERRADO COUNTY) "ANNEX" FOR MONTSERRADO COUNTY, SITTING  
IN ITS MARCH A.D. 2025 TERM.

BEFORE HIS HONOR: .....SCHEAPLOR R. DUNBAR..... ASSIGNED CIRCUIT JUDGE PRESIDING

The Intestate Estate of the Late Uriah A. Watson  
by and thru its Administratrix Anna Scot, of the  
City of Monrovia, Liberia..... Plaintiff

VERSUS

ACTION OF EJECTMENT

Moses V. Quowon.....2<sup>nd</sup> Defendant  
Blama King.....3<sup>rd</sup> Defendant  
Robert Gono Caretaker.....4<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
T Bobby Tonwon.....5<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Eric R. Tolbert.....6<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Alex Dahn.....7<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Saye Sorket.....8<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Korpo.....9<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Abraham Dolo.....10<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Promise Hamis.....11<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Jan or Doe Caretaker.....12<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Daniel Swen Caretaker.....13<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Helen Dahn Caretaker.....14<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Giftee Dahn Caretaker.....15<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Joshua Flow Charman daughter.....16<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Jerry Teah.....17<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Rufus Nyeniquah.....18<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Elizabeth to be identified.....19<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Grace Ghanghlor.....20<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Gonlee Miah.....21<sup>st</sup> Defendant  
Matu Sango.....22<sup>nd</sup> Defendant  
Oretha Kar.....23<sup>rd</sup> Defendant  
D. Siaway.....24<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Paul Sumah.....25<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Faith Tomore.....26<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Tarkpor Gorabein.....27<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Granneh Lablah.....28<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Arthur W. Dolo.....29<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
K. Nicalia Collins.....30<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Annie Kolie.....31<sup>st</sup> Defendant  
Abraham N. Kamara.....32<sup>nd</sup> Defendant  
Comfort Cooper.....33<sup>rd</sup> Defendant  
Joseph Flomo.....34<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Edward Togba.....35<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Saye Beah.....36<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Junior Berh.....37<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Surina Yerkloh.....38<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Mheiline Gbaimgbal.....39<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Linda Dolo.....40<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Jedieh Washington.....41<sup>st</sup> Defendant  
Florence Dahn.....42<sup>nd</sup> Defendant  
Jerold Neabeh.....43<sup>rd</sup> Defendant  
Othello Barkollie.....44<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Chris Aruna.....45<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Edward Y. Togbah.....46<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Elijah Kolie, owner (Annie Kolie, wife).....47<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Sekou Wilton.....48<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Abraham Kamara.....49<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Jerus Nyebah.....50<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Jadiel Washington.....51<sup>st</sup> Defendant  
Florence Dahn (T. Bobby Tweh).....52<sup>nd</sup> Defendant  
Princess Tolbert (Ebor Tolbert).....53<sup>rd</sup> Defendant  
Hawa.....54<sup>th</sup> Defendant

Irene.....55<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Comfort Dahn.....56<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Jerry Teah.....57<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Comfort Kermor (Prince Gono, Husband).....58<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Francis Borwor (Miss Paye).....59<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Marthaline Domah.....60<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Richard Tongor (Mr. & Mrs. Hormond).....61<sup>st</sup> Defendant  
Catherine Kalo.....62<sup>nd</sup> Defendant  
P. Korkpa Flomo (Mamie Peters, owner).....63<sup>rd</sup> Defendant  
Kokulo Duyan (Asatu, owner).....64<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Hawa Amos (Abraham Kormah, owner).....65<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Gonlee Miah.....66<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Lovetee Gaye.....67<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Jaryah Junior (Henry Garsana).....68<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Eva Koko, Caretaker (Henry Garsana, owner).....69<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
James.....70<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Brown B. Hinneh.....71<sup>st</sup> Defendant  
Johnson Garta.....72<sup>nd</sup> Defendant  
Sam B. Quity.....73<sup>rd</sup> Defendant  
Marie Dahn.....74<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Patience Toe.....75<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Masu Darkolon.....76<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Mercy Jimmy.....77<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Winston.....78<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Bobby Dahn.....79<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Tommy Kpor.....80<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
Morris Dukuly.....81<sup>st</sup> Defendant  
Mamie (Joseph Kelly).....82<sup>nd</sup> Defendant  
Zayzay Flomo.....83<sup>rd</sup> Defendant  
Catherine Bombo.....84<sup>th</sup> Defendant  
and all those under their scope of authority to be identified  
Republic of Liberia.....Defendants

WRIT OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, TO: THE SHERIFF OR HIS DEPUTY FOR MONTSERRADO COUNTY GREET  
I N G S:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO RESUMMON THE DEFENDANTS IN THE ABOVE ENTITLED CAUSE OF ACTION, TO APPEAR BEFORE THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, CIVIL LAW COURT FOR MONTSERRADO COUNTY, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, SITTING IN ITS MARCH A.D. 2025 TERM ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> MONDAY, SAME BEING THE 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH A.D. 2025, AT THE HOUR OF 10:00 A.M. IN THE MORNING.

YOU ARE FURTHER COMMANDED TO NOTIFY THE SAID DEFENDANTS TO FILE THEIR FORMAL APPEARANCE AND/OR ANSWER TO THE PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT FILED ON OR BEFORE 30<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY A.D. 2025, THAT UPON THEIR FAILURE TO APPEAR, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE RENDERED AGAINST THEM.

MEANWHILE, YOU WILL RETURN THE ORIGINAL WRIT OF SUMMONS TO MY OFFICE ON/OR BEFORE THE 30<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY A.D. 2025, WITH THE OFFICIAL RETURNS ENDORSED ON THE BACK THEREOF AS TO THE MANNER OF ITS SERVICE.

AND HAVE YOU HERE THIS WRIT OF SUMMONS.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
P.O. BOX 1531  
MONROVIA, LIBERIA

Iona K. Jallah  
COUNSELOR -AT-LAW  
A. Tamba Ghorie -I  
COUNSELLOR -AT-LAW  
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James Gilayeneh Jr  
COUNSELOR -AT-LAW

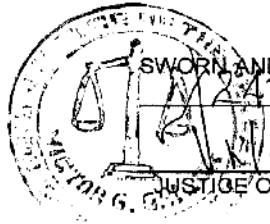
Joseph P. Gibson  
COUNSELLOR-AT-LAW

Micah Wilkins Wright  
COUNSELLOR-AT-LAW

Jedieh Washington.....41 DEFENDANT  
Florence Dahn.....42 DEFENDANT  
Jerold Neabeh.....43 DEFENDANT  
And all those under their scope of authority to be identified  
Republic of Liberia.....DEFENDANTS

AFFIDAVIT

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME, a duly qualified Justice of the Peace for and in Montserrado County, at my Office in the City of Monrovia, A. Tamba Ghorie-I COUNSELLOR - AT - LAW and one of counsels for DEFENDANT in the foregoing cause and made OATH according to law that all and singular the allegations of both law and facts as are set forth and contained in the annexed DEFENDANTS' ANSWER are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief and as to those matters of information she also believes them to be true and correct.



A Tamba Ghorie-I  
COUNSELOR-AT-LAW/ ONE OF





Republic of Liberia  
Ministry of Health  
P.O. Box 10-9009  
1000 Monrovia, 10 Liberia

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST  
FOR

Development of an Electronic Supportive Supervision Platform (e-SS) with DHIS2 Integration

(IFB No: MOH/EPI/GAVI/QCBS/002/2025)

This Special Procurement Notice follows the General Procurement Notice published early January of 2025

Background

The Ministry of Health thought the Government of the Republic of Liberia has received finances from the Global Alliance on Vaccine and Immunization (GAVI) as support to the Liberia health system. The Ministry of Health (MOH) intends to apply portion of this fund for hiring a firm to develop an **Electronic Supportive Supervision Platform (e-SS)** with seamless integration into **DHIS2**. This project aims to develop an **Electronic Supportive Supervision Platform (e-SS)** with seamless integration into **DHIS2** to enhance monitoring, evaluation, and decision-making in health service supervision. The platform will streamline the collection, analysis, and reporting of supervision data, ensuring improved service delivery and compliance tracking. The system will facilitate **offline and online data synchronization** with **DHIS2**, ensuring continuous data flow and timely reporting.

Objectives

The key objectives of this project are:

- **Develop an Electronic Supervision Platform** with integration with **DHIS2**, leveraging its data management and reporting capabilities.
  - **Set up a frontend system** using web technologies such as **JavaScript, Java, or Ruby**.
  - **Develop a backend API** using **PostgreSQL** as the database for efficient data management.
- **Implement robust data synchronization mechanisms** for accurate and up-to-date supervision data.
- **Ensure real-time synchronization** of supervision data with **DHIS2** when internet access is restored.
- **Provide user training and documentation** to facilitate smooth system adoption and usage.

Scope of Work

Angeline Nuaah  
Angel  
May 27, 2025

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The Developer will be responsible for the following tasks:

A. Frontend and Backend Development

- Develop a **web-based frontend system** using **JavaScript, Java, or Ruby**.
- Implement a **backend API** with **PostgreSQL** as the database.
- Ensure seamless communication between the frontend, backend, and **DHIS2**.

B. DHIS2 Integration & System Configuration

- Configure **supervision data models** in **DHIS2**, including custom **dashboards and reports**.
- Customize **data collection modules** to align with supervision workflows.
- Develop **robust data synchronization mechanisms** within **DHIS2**.

C. Testing & Quality Assurance

- Conduct **system testing** for **DHIS2** integration, frontend, and backend functionalities.
- Perform **user acceptance testing (UAT)** with health supervisors and stakeholders to validate system usability.
- Optimize performance for **seamless data synchronization** under different network conditions.

D. Deployment & Training

- Deploy the **e-SS on DHIS2** in production environments.
- Conduct **training sessions** for system users, including supervisors and health officials.
- Provide **comprehensive documentation**, including system architecture, source code and user manuals.

E. Post-Launch Support & Maintenance

- Offer **one month of post-launch support** for troubleshooting and bug fixes.
- Provide a **long-term maintenance plan**, including updates and security enhancements.

Deliverables

- A user-friendly system developed using **JavaScript, Java, or Ruby** with a **A backend API** using **PostgreSQL for database management and offline support**.
- Integration with **DHIS2**.
- System documentation, user manuals, and training materials.
- Deployment of the system in production environments.
- Source code of the application.
- Post-launch support for one month to resolve any operational issues.
- **Performance:** The platform must function effectively in both offline and online environments.
- **Security:** Implementation of robust security measures to protect data.
- **User Satisfaction:** The system should meet user needs and pass UAT.

Confidentiality and Ownership

The Developer agrees to maintain confidentiality regarding all project-related information. All intellectual property, including software, data models, and documentation, will remain the property of the **Ministry of Health**.

Application procedure Interested Firms to submit expression of interest (EOI) TO the Procurement Unit of the Ministry of Health. All applications should include the following:

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- CV of lead consultant and other team members to be involved in the work order
- Reference letter from two previous assignments
- Current Business registration and Tax Certificate of the consulting firm
- Annexes: Any documents, such as work samples, past relevant projects, or other information

Firms will be selected in accordance with the Quality Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Public Procurement and Concession Commission of Liberia Consultant Guidelines.

Applications; clearly marked with the reference above, must be delivered in the tender box situated on the Ground floor opposite the elevator at the central office in Congo Town at the address below by 2PM Local Time, on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025, only short-listed firms will be contacted.

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# Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity inducts new leadership

By Stephen G. Fellajuah

The Eta Epsilon Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity has inducted a new corps of officers, ushering in a leadership team dedicated to committing their time, energy, enthusiasm, and ideas toward guiding the chapter to a productive and impactful two-year term. The newly inducted officers are Bro. B. Elias Shoniyin, President, Bro. J. Alben Greaves, Vice President, Bro. Adolphus Scott, Secretary General, Prince W. Kieh, Treasurer, Bro. Eric Clarke, Financial Secretary, and Bro. Williams K. Morris, Acting Chaplain. During the ceremony, Bro. Adolphus Scott, Secretary General, delivered the welcome remarks. He praised the organization of the event and particularly highlighted its support for education, especially among university students, a contribution he described as highly commendable.

Elias Shoniyin reflected on his personal journey and aspiration to serve within the fraternity. "Today, as I stand before you, I accept this responsibility with passion. The success of a man lies in the impact he makes around him," he stated. Shoniyin emphasized his openness to dialogue, encouraging members to engage with him on any matter that could contribute to the growth and well-being of the organization. He expressed gratitude for the capable team surrounding him, confident in their shared vision and purpose. Outlining his goals for the first 30 days, Shoniyin announced plans including rent a dedicated secretariat for the chapter, which will include office space and a well-equipped conference room. Relocate the Alpha House to Central Monrovia, closer to the institutions



Also speaking, Executive Director T. Nelson Williams of the International Association of Alpha Chapters (IAAC) expressed gratitude for the presence of fellow brothers. He reflected on the fraternity's establishment in Liberia, on October 5, 1958, marking its expansion to the West Coast of Africa and inspiring chapters in countries such as Ghana and South Africa. He also recognized the outgoing president, Bro. William K. Morris, noting that it was during his tenure that Bro. Joseph Nyuma Boakai, a member of the fraternity, was elected President of the Republic of Liberia. The induction ceremony took place on Wednesday, May 28, 2025, at D' Calabash in Congo Town, with a notable turnout of fraternity members. The event featured a candle-lighting ceremony and officiating of oath to officially induct the new officers. In their pledge, the new leaders committed to upholding the fraternity's values and advancing its mission. In his acceptance speech, President B.

and hubs of national activity. He also included expanding the scholarship program to support more students. Strengthen internal communication and enhance social engagement platforms for members. He concluded by thanking the fraternity for entrusting him with leadership, assuring members that the organization will not regret its decision. He called for collective support and collaboration to drive the chapter forward. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. is the oldest intercollegiate historically African American fraternity. Founded on December 4, 1906, at Cornell University, it began as a literary and social studies club before evolving into a fraternity. Its legacy of leadership and service continues to inspire generations across the globe.



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### Govt. plans Diaspora Liberians Conference

The Government of Liberia has appointed a National Steering Committee to plan the 2025 Liberia Diaspora National Conference.

By Lincoln G. Peters

Monrovia, Liberia, May 30, 2025 - The Government of Liberia has officially announced the formation of a National Steering Committee to lead the planning of the 2025 Annual Liberia Diaspora National Conference, which is slated for the United States of America, Washington DC.



The high-level conference is being planned in line with President Joseph N. Boakai's vision to strengthen ties between Liberians at home and citizens living abroad. The announcement, made through the Office of the Diaspora Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will

State for Presidential Affairs, highlights the importance of the Diaspora Strategic Plan (2024-2027).

According to Mr. Erasmus T. Williams, Head of the Diaspora office in the Office of the President, the plan was introduced during the first Cabinet Retreat under President Boakai and forms part of the government's "Arrest Agenda for Inclusive Development" (AAID). A statement issued on Wednesday, May 28, 2025, says the Diaspora Affairs Office at the Ministry of State will chair the Steering Committee, while the Diaspora Affairs Office at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will

serve as co-chair. The committee includes members from key government ministries, civil society organizations, diaspora groups, and international partners. Notable public and private partners on the Planning Committee include: Ambassador Emmett L. Dunn - Chairman; Madam Macdella Cooper - Co-Chair; Hon. Paul T. Lamin - Chair on Finance; Mrs. Robena Vincent - Chair on Fundraising; Eminent Emmanuel S. Wetsee - Chair on Diaspora Engagement; Representative Naquetta Ricks - Member Honorable O. Natty B. Davies - Member, among others. The Steering Committee is a public-private partnership initiative, incorporating all sectors of the nation both home and abroad. "This conference reflects President Boakai's deep commitment to engaging Liberians abroad and making them key players in national development," said Mr. Erasmus Tiampa Williams, Coordinator/Deputy Minister. The Steering Committee, as constituted and chaired by Dr. Emmett Dunn and co-chaired by Hon. Macdella Cooper is hereby charged with the responsibility for the planning and full execution of the Annual Liberia Diaspora National Conference 2025. Editing by Jonathan Browne

### Former Margibi Superintendent praises ArcelorMittal

-For \$527K Road Project launch in Kakata

Kakata, Margibi County - Former Superintendent of Margibi County, John Z. Buway Sr., has praised ArcelorMittal Liberia (AML) for launching a major community road rehabilitation initiative in Kakata, describing the company's intervention as "commendable" and a gesture worthy of national appreciation. Reacting on social media, Mr. Buway emphasized the project's importance, particularly because AML is not an NGO or a government institution but has nonetheless committed over half a million US dollars to improving public infrastructure. "It is always good to say THANKS for the good things people do for you!" Buway wrote. "ArcelorMittal is not an NGO but spending a little over half a million USD to rehabilitate the 26 Gate to Kacity road, approximately 5 kilometers, for all-season use is commendable yah! And thanks also to all who made this possible—be it government or civil society

commuters, and businesses. The rehabilitation, which includes structural upgrades, improved drainage, and road reinforcement, aims to make the corridor usable throughout the year—regardless of weather conditions. At the project launch, AML's Head of Sustainability and External Relations, Marcus Wleh, stressed that the company's support for community development extends well beyond its mining concession areas in Nimba, Bong, and Grand Bassa



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### Bong Administration launches major street Rehabilitation Project

In a bold step to address deteriorating road infrastructure and improve urban mobility, the Bong County Administration has officially launched the rehabilitation of key community roads across Gbarnga, the county's capital.

By: Edwin N. Khakie

Gbarnga, Bong County - May 29, 2025 – The project, spearheaded by the Office of the County Superintendent, Hon. Loleyah Hawa Norris, is part of a broader push to enhance accessibility, ease daily commuting, and promote local development through targeted infrastructure improvements. Superintendent Norris disclosed that the initiative is being funded through a recent allotment of US \$75,000, earmarked specifically for the rehabilitation of community roads in Gbarnga. According to Superintendent Norris, the funds will be used to rehabilitate some of the city's most critical and heavily used routes that have long been neglected and are now in dire condition. The affected areas include a wide range of residential neighborhoods and vital corridors connecting key institutions and marketplaces. "This project is a direct response to the concerns raised by residents who for years have endured poor road conditions," Superintendent

administrator at a local learning center. "We are happy the government is taking action." The rehabilitation work is expected to create short-term employment opportunities for local laborers and will be carried out by contractors based in the county. The County Administration has assured the public of strict oversight to ensure quality and timely completion of the work. Superintendent Norris stressed the importance of community support and collaboration during the implementation phase. "We are calling on all residents to cooperate with workers and avoid actions that could delay or damage the progress we hope to achieve," she added. The project is part of the county's long-term infrastructure and development agenda, aimed at improving living standards and supporting the goals of President Joseph Boakai's ARREST Agenda, which prioritizes infrastructure and local governance as cornerstones for national



Norris told journalists. "We are using the US\$75,000 allocation to prioritize areas that are in the worst condition and where residents have the greatest need for access and mobility." Local residents have welcomed the initiative with enthusiasm, calling it a much-needed intervention that will improve their daily lives and revitalize the city's overall appearance. "We've been struggling to navigate these roads, especially during the rainy season," said John Flomo, a resident of the Brooklyn Community. "This project is timely and will make a big difference for students, commuters, and local businesses." Petty traders, transport operators, and school administrators also praised the government for listening to the voices of the people. "Our customers often complain about the poor road leading to our school," said Mary Kollie, an

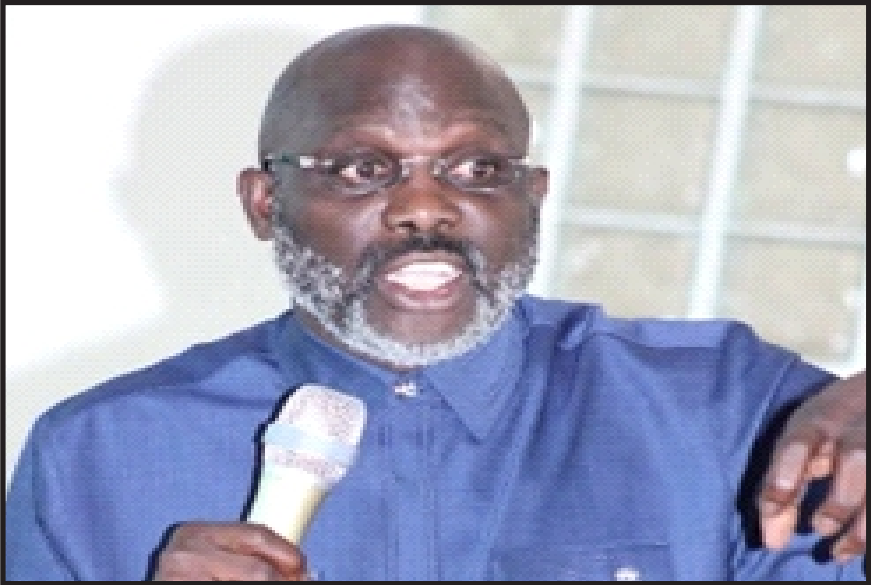
progress. "This initiative goes beyond patching potholes," Norris emphasized. "It's about restoring dignity to our communities and ensuring that every citizen has the right to live in a clean, accessible, and functioning urban environment." As machines begin to move into neighbourhoods and road rehabilitation gets underway, hopes are high that this project will signal a broader shift in how local government responds to basic public infrastructure needs. With a clear plan, community backing, and political will, the Gbarnga road rehabilitation project stands as a symbol of progress, accountability, and the drive to make Liberia's urban centers more liveable and economically productive.



# Français

## Mouvement de protestation à l'Université Luthérienne de Suakoko, dans le comté de Bong

Les activités académiques ont été paralysées mardi sur le campus de Phebe de l'Université Luthérienne, à Suakoko, suite à une manifestation estudiantine dénonçant une mauvaise gestion administrative persistante.



Le mouvement de protestation, décrit comme pacifique mais résolu, a vu des dizaines d'étudiants brandir des pancartes et scander des

slogans contre l'administration universitaire, l'accusant de graves manquements dans la gestion académique et financière de l'institution. Les griefs soulevés par les étudiants incluent : la publication tardive des résultats, un manque de transparence dans l'utilisation

des fonds, l'insuffisance du personnel enseignant, des conditions d'apprentissage jugées précaires, ainsi qu'un déficit global de responsabilité au sein de la direction.

Lisant une pétition au nom de l'ensemble des étudiants, Seima S. Walker a énoncé une série d'exigences adressées au Conseil d'administration de l'université et au gouvernement libérien. « Le corps étudiant déclare que ces résolutions doivent être prises en compte sans délai. Nous appelons le Conseil d'administration de l'Université Luthérienne et le Gouvernement du Libéria à agir dans les plus brefs délais », a déclaré M. Walker.

Les revendications principales incluent :

- La démission immédiate de Mme Ida A. C. Brown, doyenne adjointe, accusée de n'avoir eu aucun impact positif sur l'institution ;
- Le respect strict du calendrier académique 2025, avec ajustement immédiat ;
- La ventilation

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## Le Superintendant Massaquoi salue les initiatives de paix dans le Lofa

Le Superintendant du comté de Lofa, J. Lavelah Massaquoi, a salué les efforts de Plan International Liberia en matière de consolidation de la paix dans la région. Il a exprimé sa reconnaissance lors d'une réunion conjointe du Conseil de sécurité et du Mécanisme de paix du comté, organisée par l'équipe du projet "Les filles et jeunes femmes s'engagent pour la paix" de Plan International Liberia. L'événement s'inscrivait dans le cadre d'une mission de suivi qualité sur le terrain et a réuni plusieurs parties prenantes, dont l'organisation partenaire locale Women Solidarity Incorporated (WOSI). La réunion visait à informer officiellement les principaux acteurs de la paix dans le comté de la clôture prochaine du projet, après deux années d'activités intensives, notamment dans les communautés de Yeala et de Konia, où sont implantées les Peace Huts (cases de paix). Présidant les discussions,

le Superintendant Massaquoi a salué l'impact positif du projet et la gestion efficace des Peace Huts de Konia et de Yeala. Il a souligné que son administration envisage désormais d'inclure des initiatives de sécurité et de consolidation de la paix dans le budget de développement du comté.

« La sécurité est essentielle pour bâtir et préserver une paix durable. Nous ne pouvons pas compter indéfiniment sur les ONG. Même lorsqu'elles sont présentes, nous devons nous préparer à prendre le relais, car elles finiront un jour par partir », a averti M. Massaquoi,

appelant les membres du Conseil - composés de citoyens influents - à s'impliquer activement et durablement.

De leur côté, des représentants du Conseil de sécurité du comté de Lofa ont exprimé leur gratitude envers Plan International Liberia. Ils ont souligné que les interventions de l'organisation ont significativement réduit les actes de violence, en particulier parmi les jeunes. Des dirigeants d'associations locales, dont l'Association

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## Éditorial

### L'inconstance du gouvernement libérien sur la gestion du chemin de fer soulève de vives inquiétudes

La décision du gouvernement du Libéria de revenir sur la communication du Comité interministériel des concessions (IMCC), qui réaffirmait ArcelorMittal Liberia (AML) comme opérateur-utilisateur du chemin de fer Yekepa-Buchanan, est non seulement préoccupante, mais soulève également de sérieuses interrogations quant à l'engagement du pays à respecter ses contrats et à protéger les investissements légitimes.

La décision initiale de l'IMCC reposait sur des principes de logique, de légalité et sur les intérêts à long terme du développement du Libéria. Après plus de sept années de négociations entre le gouvernement libérien et AML, un cadre solide - les Principes d'exploitation du système ferroviaire (RSOP) - a été intégré dans la Troisième modification de l'Accord de développement minier (MDA) d'AML.

Ce cadre établit un système ferroviaire à accès partagé, régulé par l'État, tout en maintenant AML dans son rôle d'opérateur-utilisateur selon un modèle sans profit ni perte. Il prévoit également la création d'un comité de gestion conjoint, un droit de regard étatique à travers des audits, ainsi que le pouvoir de révoquer AML en cas de manquement à ses obligations.

Cette structure est parfaitement conforme à l'esprit du Décret exécutif n°136, qui vise à instaurer un système ferroviaire à usage multiple au Libéria. Ce même décret reconnaît explicitement la validité des engagements préexistants, tel que le MDA d'AML, sans chercher à les annuler.

La ligne ferroviaire Yekepa-Buchanan dépasse le simple rôle d'infrastructure : elle constitue l'épine dorsale de l'industrie du minerai de fer du Libéria. ArcelorMittal Liberia y a investi plus de 800 millions de dollars pour sa réhabilitation et son expansion. L'entreprise est présente dans le pays depuis près de vingt ans, emploie plus de 7 000 Libériens, participe activement au développement communautaire, et contribue régulièrement aux recettes publiques.

Revenir aujourd'hui sur la décision qui reconnaissait le rôle historique et contractuel d'AML, au profit d'une entreprise étrangère encore peu éprouvée, Ivahoe Atlantic, serait une grave erreur. Ce choix envoie un mauvais signal aux investisseurs actuels et potentiels. Il accorde un avantage indu à Ivahoe et donne l'image d'un Libéria prêt à renier ses engagements pour satisfaire des intérêts politiques ou des pressions extérieures.

Même la Guinée voisine, dans son accord avec SMFG, reconnaît que l'accès à travers le Libéria demeure temporaire et incertain. Pourtant, le Libéria semble disposé à sacrifier ses propres intérêts et sa crédibilité pour soutenir l'agenda minier d'un autre pays.

Ce revirement n'est pas qu'une simple erreur de politique publique. Il ébranle l'état de droit et sape la confiance des investisseurs. Or, la Constitution du Libéria oblige l'État à honorer ses contrats, et le MDA avec AML reste juridiquement contraignant. Si le gouvernement ne plus pouvoir accepter AML comme opérateur ferroviaire, la voie légitime et honorable serait de renégocier l'accord de consensuelle - non de l'annuler unilatéralement.

d'AML comme opérateur-utilisateur n'empêche en rien l'accès entreprises à la voie ferrée. Les RSOP garantissent justement accès équitable, basé sur les coûts, sous supervision étatique rigoureuse - la définition même d'un modèle multi-utilisateur.

de pénaliser AML, le Libéria devrait valoriser et renforcer son partenariat avec une entreprise qui a démontré un engagement envers la croissance du pays. Privilégier un acteur étranger antécédents solides au détriment d'un investisseur éprouvé de compromettre les opérations actuelles et de dissuader tout investissement futur.

Si le Libéria souhaite construire un climat d'investissement prospère respecté, il doit commencer par honorer ses propres engagements. gouvernement doit reconsidérer sa décision et soutenir la position et bénéfique de l'IMCC en maintenant AML comme opérateur-utilisateur dans le cadre légal, éprouvé et transparent de la Troisième modification de l'accord et des RSOP.

Libéria doit choisir le principe avant la politique, car l'avenir de son économie et la crédibilité de la nation en dépendent.



# Français

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complète des frais d'inscription, détaillant chaque composante ;

- L'annonce officielle de l'accréditation du département de laboratoire ;

- Un calendrier clair pour l'expansion des infrastructures de stage en laboratoire médical ;

- La date précise et la publication des frais liés à la cérémonie de remise des diplômes ;

- Le recrutement de professeurs qualifiés, notamment pour les départements scientifiques ;

- L'amélioration des services d'accueil, en particulier au bureau des admissions ;

- La résolution des problèmes liés aux dortoirs et une amélioration significative de la restauration : les étudiants dénoncent le fait de payer 325 USD pour recevoir un seul repas par jour accompagné d'un sachet d'eau. « Nous en avons assez d'être traités comme si notre éducation n'avait aucune valeur », a martelé Walker. « Si nos revendications ne sont pas prises au sérieux et que des mesures correctives immédiates ne sont pas engagées, nous demanderons la fermeture définitive du campus. Trop, c'est trop. » Les étudiants dénoncent également un environnement académique délabré, citant du mobilier cassé, une connexion internet peu fiable, le manque d'équipements de laboratoire essentiels et des installations sanitaires insalubres. « Ce n'est pas un lieu d'apprentissage, c'est une

lutte quotidienne », a confié un étudiant sous couvert d'anonymat.

Grace G. Kollie, étudiante en deuxième année de soins infirmiers, s'est quant à elle insurgée contre les retards chroniques dans la publication des résultats académiques. « Nous avons terminé des semestres sans connaître nos performances. Comment planifier notre avenir dans ces conditions ? », a-t-elle interrogé.

L'administration de l'université ne s'est pas encore exprimée officiellement. Toutefois, une source interne, ayant requis l'anonymat, a reconnu certaines difficultés tout en exprimant une volonté de dialogue. « Des retards existent, mais nous travaillons à les résoudre. Nous appelons les étudiants à rester calmes et à participer à des discussions constructives. »

Par ailleurs, des parents et des habitants de Suakoko ont exprimé leur inquiétude face à la crise actuelle. Ils redoutent que cette instabilité prolongée n'entache la réputation de l'université et n'entraîne une baisse des inscriptions. Certains demandent désormais l'intervention du ministère de l'Éducation et de la Commission nationale de l'enseignement supérieur pour jouer un rôle de médiation entre les étudiants et l'administration.

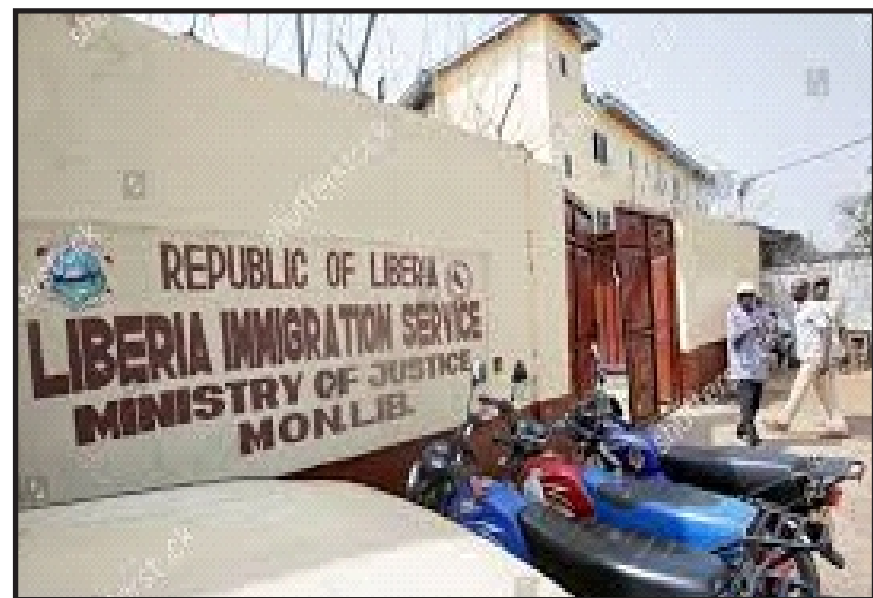
Alors que la grève entre dans son deuxième jour, les étudiants demeurent fermes sur leurs positions. Il reste à voir si la direction universitaire répondra par des mesures concrètes ou si les tensions continueront de s'aggraver.

## Un climat de méfiance pèse sur la justice à Lofa

La mort inexplicable de Yarkpowolo Moisemah, un jeune homme de 19 ans détenu par la police et témoin clé dans une enquête pour meurtre, suscite l'indignation dans le comté de Lofa et ébranle la confiance du public dans le système judiciaire local.

Moisemah avait courageusement identifié trois suspects — Lamine Flomo, Aaron Kollie et un homme âgé connu sous le nom de "Vieux Gbano" — dans l'affaire du meurtre de Monyoungor Keleko. Malgré les menaces dont il aurait été victime pour le réduire au silence, il avait informé les autorités locales, ce qui avait conduit à l'arrestation des suspects.

Cependant, le jeune témoin est décédé dans des circonstances troubles alors qu'il était en garde à vue. Les premières déclarations officielles évoquaient un suicide, mais cette version a rapidement été mise en doute par l'opinion publique.



Face à la pression croissante, le Comité d'Action Citoyenne (CAC), une organisation de la société civile, a exigé une autopsie indépendante. Celle-ci a révélé que la mort de Moisemah n'était pas naturelle, renforçant les soupçons de manquements graves, voire de complicité au sein des services de sécurité.

Le CAC dénonce non seulement les circonstances de la mort du jeune homme, mais aussi le manque de transparence autour de l'enquête. Les autorités ont interdit la couverture médiatique en direct du dossier, une décision vivement critiquée par les défenseurs des droits humains et la population locale.

« L'absence de transparence jette un voile de doute sur la crédibilité de l'enquête », a déclaré un représentant du CAC. « Comment espérer que d'autres témoins se présentent si ceux qui osent parler risquent leur vie ? »

Cette affaire dramatique a provoqué une vague d'indignation. Des leaders communautaires, religieux et des organisations de défense des droits humains réclament des réformes urgentes en matière de protection des témoins et de gestion des détentions.

La mort de Yarkpowolo Moisemah pose aujourd'hui une question cruciale : le Libéria saisira-t-il cette tragédie pour renforcer la protection de ses citoyens et restaurer la confiance dans la justice, ou assistera-t-on à un nouvel effritement de l'État de droit ?

Pour l'instant, Lofa — et le pays tout entier — attend des réponses claires et des mesures concrètes.

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des commerçants du comté, le Réseau des organisations de la société civile, ainsi que l'Association des personnes handicapées, ont également remercié l'ONG pour son appui aux réunions de coordination du mécanisme de paix.

Selon eux, c'est grâce à Plan International Liberia que le Conseil a pu être réactivé, dans le cadre du projet axé sur l'engagement des filles et jeunes femmes dans les initiatives de paix. Toutefois, ils ont recommandé une prolongation du projet afin de donner au Conseil le temps nécessaire pour se préparer à la fin du financement des donateurs.

Le Conseil a également remercié le Fonds pour la consolidation de la paix des Nations Unies (UNPBF) et WOSI pour leur soutien technique et financier dans la mise en œuvre réussie du projet à Lofa.

Pour sa part, M. Sidiki Kamara, chargé du projet de parrainage au bureau de Plan

International Liberia à Lofa, a rappelé que l'investissement de l'ONG dans le comté touche plusieurs secteurs clés du développement, en étroite collaboration avec le ministère du Genre, de l'Enfance et de la Protection sociale.

Le projet "Les filles et jeunes femmes s'engagent pour la paix", financé par l'UNPBF, est un programme de deux ans mis en œuvre dans les comtés de Bong, Nimba, Montserrado et Lofa. Il vise à promouvoir la participation active des jeunes, en particulier des filles, dans les processus de paix et les instances de gouvernance locales.

À ce jour, le projet a enregistré des résultats significatifs, touchant positivement de nombreuses filles, jeunes femmes, garçons et hommes, ainsi que les femmes impliquées dans les Peace Huts au niveau communautaire.



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proper approval. Some Critics here also said the deal did not go through the required competitive bidding process and did not receive legislative approval. In response to their criticizing, President Joseph Boakai set up a special committee led by VP Koon to renegotiate the deal. Months after, the committee was setup, VP Koon announced that they were able to secure better terms through their negotiation. And base on the agreement the government will now receive 285 machines at a reduced price of US\$22 million, Instead of the original cost. Even though the agreement was renegotiated months ago, the machines have not yet arrived. However, on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, Deputy Minister Sanoe confirmed that the deal is now completed and the equipment will arrive by the end of 2025. He said once the machines are in the country, demolition work in Montserrado will resume, and

Some of the machines will also be sent to other counties as promised by the President. Sanoe added that starting next dry season, major roads such as the Ganta to Zwedru and Zwedru to Karloken highways will be paved with asphalt using the new equipment. He expressed the government committed to improving road conditions in the country, and enforcing city regulations, despite the current delays.

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Related to the Supplementary Payroll System of MOS, identified significant deficiencies in the internal control system, including lack of segregation of duties and inadequate authorization in the MOS payroll management system. The GAC audit In addition, discovered that there is no approved Human Resource Policy and Procedures to guide the human resource activities at the entity and Management did not adopt the Civil Service Standing Order to guide its human resources activities. MOS Job Description Policy Document which outlines the job description of various positions at the entity was not finalized, approved and operationalized during the periods. The report further indicated that there is no training and development plan for the entity's staffs. There is no evidence that monthly payroll originated from the Human Resource Unit and forwarded to the Finance Unit for processing. Further, no evidence that the payroll journals were subsequently submitted to heads of department/units to review and corroborate salaries to be disbursed to personnel of their department/units prior to the payment of salaries. The GAC notes that these deficiencies are pervasive and increase the risk of fraud and errors, thus compromising the liability of the Ministry of State's internal control system. But, responding to the GAC report on her official Facebook page, Deputy Minister for Administration Cornelia Kruah-Togba, confirmed the General Auditing Commission security to the President and Compliance Audit of, but said they are working with the Civil Service Agency to have those employees cataloged. She argued that hiring of 74 "supplementary staff" - the President's Office, staff at the difference is that the payroll that was closed by the Ministry of State had 721 individuals who had no employment letter from the Ministry, signed contract with the Ministry and Atty. Kruah-Togba further had no attendance records, as most of them did not actually work for the Ministry. "In summary, the MoS has a Special Payroll transitioned to the CSA therefore, this means even that will mirror the CSA payroll when transferred from these but leave room for transitions of government. These individuals must remain in the individuals have employment letters, contracts and the files by Jonathan Browne

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Former Margibi Superintendent

counties. "We value our communities and go beyond the scope of where we work," said Wleh. "We're not the Ministry of Public Works, but we respond to community needs when possible. After thorough consultation and planning, we're launching this project here in Margibi." Wleh disclosed that AML obtained approval from Firestone Liberia before proceeding with construction, in respect of the company's longstanding presence in the area. Also speaking, AML's General Manager of Mines, Jallah Selmah, said the company prioritizes meaningful community engagement. "Any standard mining operation will never shy away from community engagement," Selmah said. "It's not just about saying hello; it's about doing something tangible. This road is a good example." Frebenja Group of Companies, a Liberian-owned firm led by Margibi native Fred Kennedy, has been contracted to carry out the work. Kennedy pledged to ensure the highest quality, both in compliance with AML's standards and community expectations. Residents, including students and business owners, expressed gratitude for the project. Hawa Peters, a student at the Booker Washington Institute, said the road work would ease years of hardship caused by the poor road conditions. "Hopefully the stress of moving up and down on such a bad road is finally coming to an end with the help of ArcelorMittal," she said. "The company could have taken this project elsewhere but chose to help us here in Margibi." This initiative in Margibi—outside AML's core operational counties—demonstrates the company's broader commitment to national development. Former Superintendent Buway echoed this sentiment, urging Liberians to support public-private partnerships that deliver real impact. "My ownpa, I na want the government fail oooo," he added. "When she fails, we all will feel it bad way. Let's pray for success yahhhhhh!" As the machinery prepares to roll, the people of Kakata are hopeful that this long-awaited development.

Bong Mines Medical Center undergoes renovation

Bong Mines, Liberia, May 30, 2025 - In an effort to bring back the Bong Mines Medical Center to its pre-war status, the Association of Bong Miners (ABM) has embarked on a massive transformational initiatives at the medical center. The Bong Mines Medical Center situated in Bong Mines, Bong County, is currently enjoying constant electricity as a result of collective efforts of the Association of Bong Miners Diaspora and Liberia (current and former residents) to see the medical center being lit-up. The cost of the electrification project is put at over USD 90,000 with majority of this amount being generated by ABM diaspora headed by Mrs. Helen Williams Nyemah. ABM-Liberia played the implementing role of the project and at the same time

the Association of Bong Miners and a Monrovia based Painting Company was concluded and subsequently signed. The monetary value of the painting contract is put at 19k. The painting contract is expected to restore the beautification of the medical center in a bid to lift the spirits of both patients and staffers. The Bong Mines Medical Center, once shrouded in darkness and despair, is now becoming a vibrant hospital and a beacon of hope and care for thousands of Liberians and foreigners residing in the Bong Mines community and nearby towns and villages. The Association of Bong Miners Diaspora and Liberia is resolved to restoring Bong Mines, especially the medical center, which is highly commendable. Since the



made some monetary contribution as well. Electricians worked around the clock to install a reliable power system to ensure constant supply of current at the hospital. Surgeries, emergency services, maternal care, etc. are now being provided without any power interruption. Also, the repainting of the entire medical complex commenced few days ago, as the contract agreement between the group has been actively involved in donation of drugs, medical supplies and equipment to the medical center. During the COVID-19 pandemic in Liberia, ABM raised over USD 44,000 to purchase food and preventable supplies for Bong Mines residents and their neighbors as its way of empowering residents of the community to fight the disease. Press Release

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# “Cradle to the grave”

Liberia’s health sector continues to face challenges due to low budgetary allocations and lack of essential supplies. As a result, many Liberians died an untimely death at these health facilities.

By: Emmanuel Wise Jipoh  
Several patients, including Bill Mensah, Surprise Cuput, week. Each session, he Precious, among others, in explained, costs



critical care at the John F. Kennedy Medical Center on Wednesday, May 28, described the country's largest referral hospital as a death trap or halfway to your grave. Voicing their frustrations, the Patients asserted that the John F. Kennedy Medical Hospital (JFK) is “just for killing”. “We are here dying slowly, and there is no treatment given to us. “Even after the huge money we paid, our chances of (surviving) are slim,” Patients spoken to said. The John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital was built in 1965 and began operating in 1971. It has come under a series of criticism, recently for its negligence involving patient deaths, and questionable healthcare services provided to the public, despite being the country’s number one hospital. The latest outcry comes from Bill Mensah, 35, who has decried the hospital as a death trap, telling journalists that his only means of survival right now is at the mercy of God. “I’m left only to die, if not for God, “because JFK, is not a hospital, but a halfway to death,” he says. “We are suffering, and there is no treatment given to us. Every other day, they tell us no medication, despite the huge money we paid here. “No treatment, no bed, and everything is so disgusting”, Mensah, who is receiving treatment at the JFK Dialysis Center, told reporters. According to him, he’s been receiving treatment at the JFK Dialysis Unit for the past

five months, and his treatment requirements include three sessions per week. Each session, he Precious, among others, in explained, costs approximately USD\$ 75, with an additional \$25 for injections and counselling-amounting to over \$250 weekly. He reiterated that despite these high costs, the hospital administration has often denied his treatment due to lack of essential supplies. “We spent everything we have and still face delays and cancellations,” Mensah lamented. “Where is the money going?” he questioned. “We are left to die, and there is no treatment given. Every day, my daughter experiences growing pain; her chances are slim,” Precious, a patient at the Dialysis Center Mother said. Surprise Cuput, 26, a patient, also echoed that she reportedly went an entire week without dialysis--a potentially fatal gap in care for someone with end-stage kidney disease. “Do you know what it means for someone like me to miss dialysis? It’s life-threatening,” she said. “I spent nights outside the Center, sitting in a chair, just hoping for a chance.” Ms. Cuput, like many others, struggles weekly to secure funds, often borrowing from family or soliciting donations, only to be turned away because of malfunctioning machines or sometimes rejected, due to a lack of medical supplies at the state-owned, largest referral hospital. Liberia first Dialysis Center at the JFK, was open in 2022, by former President George Manneh Weah, Since then, originally inaugurated to provide lifesaving dialysis treatment

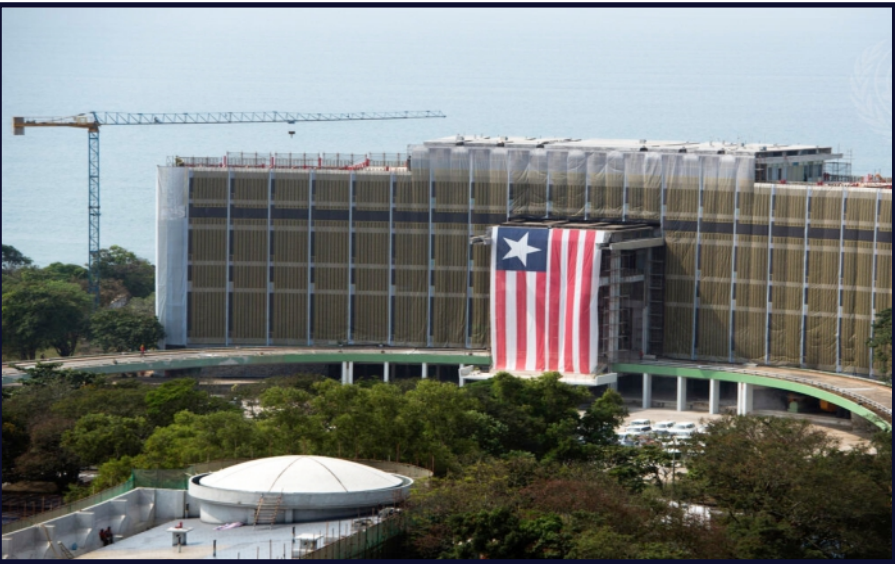
to Liberians with kidney failure, the unit has become a symbol of despair as multiple patients have come forward with harrowing testimonies of persistent equipment failures, shortages of basic medical supplies, and unexplained service disruptions. In January 2025, patients with kidney problems at the Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf Dialysis Center at the John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital wrote an open letter to President Boakai, decrying that delay in treatment at the facility is leading to death of patients. To add push to this open letter, one family, the Tamba Family, filed a complaint against the JFK administration for wrongful medication, causing the death of their relative, Lovette Tamba, a 32-year-old Pregnant Patient, who allegedly died at the hospital after an alleged medical malpractice. In September 2023, the hospital was faced with US\$1.5 Million Lawsuit for an alleged wrongful surgical operation on a patient identified as Karen Gaydou Sehkehporh, who died at the hospital. Efforts to contact the hospital administration, on concerns of the above situation at the Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf JFK Dialysis Center, were fruitless. Additionally, efforts by the head of Public Affairs at the John F. Kennedy Medical Hospital, Josephine Seekey, to have senior management speak on these concerns were also fruitless. Seeker, briefly admitted to constraint faced by the hospital, but said there is no reagent at the Dialysis Center. “Medications and supplies are often imported at great expense and there’s often delays, she said. When asked how the unit is conducting tests in the absence of reagents, Seekey was unable to provide a clear answer, citing challenges in reaching responsible personnel. Dialysis treatment requires precise chemical balances and sterile conditions, she added. -Edited by Othello B. Garblah.

# GAC audit traps Ministry of State

A compliance audit by the General Auditing Commission of the Supplementary Payroll of the Ministry of State links Sylvester M. Grigsby, and Deputy Minister Cornelia Kruah-Togba to misappropriation if over UD\$11 Million and nearly One Million Liberian Dollars.

By Lincoln G. Peters  
Bong Mines, Liberia, May 30, 2025 - The Deputy Minister for Administration at the Ministry of State for Presidential Affairs, Cornelia Kruah-Togba, has confirmed the General Auditing Commission Compliance Audit of the Supplementary Payroll System of the Ministry. The audit indicts Minister of State for Presidential Affairs Sylvester M. Grigsby, and Madam Kruah-Togba for alleged corruption amounting to US\$11,520,821.7 and Liberian Dollars 964,766.21, including illegal hiring of 74 Supplementary Payroll employees. The objective of the Audit is to provide intended users with information on whether the audited public entity follows legislative decisions, laws, legislative acts, policy, established codes, regulations, and agree-upon terms and to report in terms of the GAC reporting requirements, as spelled out in part four (4) of the GAC Act of 2014. Findings and conclusions will be submitted to the National Legislature and the Office of the President.

the physical existence of the seventy-four (74) newly hired supplementary personnel of 2024, which the report stated that the Management’s action is a breach of Regulation T(5) (1) of the PFM Act. Furthermore, the report disclosed that the current administration has been paying the illegally hired employees a combined salary of over US\$36.000 monthly that wasn’t budgeted for, taking it from a line item that says “consultancy”, with the GAC auditors unable to physically see the 74 new hires, despite giving the ministry additional time before publication of the report, and other concerning findings. The GAC further stated that the basis for adverse conclusion, they identified multiple issues of significant materiality that affect the operations of the Supplementary Payroll System of the Ministry of States for Presidential Affairs, with personnel Records and Documentation Management expended US\$(3,506,271.00) in excess of its approved budget for supplementary personnel for the fiscal periods under audit. “There



Also it seeks to gather sufficient and appropriate audit evidence on whether the MOS Supplementary Payroll Systems with special emphasis on (a) recruitment and placement; (b) pay grade; (C) appraisals and promotions; (d) separation and turnover; (e) existence of staff and (f) Internal Control Systems reference to supplementary payroll are in all material respect, in compliance with relevant laws, legislative acts, regulations, policies, established codes, and agree-upon terms. The GAC in its report released under the signature of the Auditor General, P. Garswa Jackson, covering January 2018-to December 2024, under its Personnel’s Existence, covering the period under review said that the current Management of the Ministry of State did not make available the newly hired supplementary personnel for verification by the audit team. Hence, they were unable to verify

was a variance of US\$(4,537. 69) between the gross salary per the close-out payroll and the gross salary per the personnel listing for the periods. No evidence that the unpaid cheques of US\$76,440.00 belonging to seventy-four (74) staff who were not paid during the close-out exercise due to lack of evidence to authenticate the legitimacy of their employment was voided, and the amount retained in the entity’s account as required. Management did not maintain approved monthly payroll journals, debit instructions, associated bank statements and all relevant supporting documentation for salary transactions amounting to US\$7,933,573.01 and L\$ 964,766.21 recorded in the IFMIS Ledger for the fiscal periods under audit”, the report concluded. The Report on internal Control



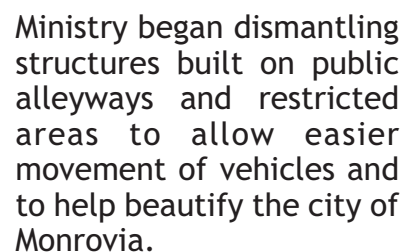
**By: Kruah Thompson**

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The plan was to send 19 machines to each of Liberia's 15 counties, but however, the equipment deal

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