



**DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES (DEVEIN)
&
LIBERIA DEMOCRACY WATCH (LDW)
WITH SPONSORSHIP FROM
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**TWO-DAY
ROUNDTABLE WORKSHOP
ON THE THEME**

***"PROMOTING THE PROSPECTS FOR POST-ELECTIONS PEACE AND POLITICAL
COOPERATION IN LIBERIA"***

REPORT

**November 22-23, 2005
Mamba Point Hotel, Monrovia**

Background:

October 11, 2005 presidential and legislative elections climaxed an important chapter in Liberia's socio-political history. This process punctuates the over 14 years of civil unrest in the country. The October elections were conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner during which the Liberian people need to be credited for a great success and taking a critical step towards reconstruction. Many observers described the electoral process as credible and transparent, congratulating the National Elections Commission (NEC) for its overall successful handling of operations during Polling Day. NEC drew heavily on support from UNMIL Electoral Division and other international organizations that were involved with electoral activities, including IFES and the EC. 22 presidential candidates contested the elections representing varying geo-political districts of Liberia. The number of contenders and the *ethnic-sectional polarization* which characterized the first run of elections (as seen in the results of the vote's cast.) presages yet another critical point for attention. With the confirmation of a run-off elections set for November 8, 2005 announced by the National Elections Commissions (NEC), there are fears that the prospects for post-electoral peace and political cooperation between and amongst Liberian stakeholders remains remote. The projected two-day roundtable envisioned under the theme "*Promoting the Prospects for Post-Elections Peace and Political Cooperation*" is aimed at bringing to the table important state/political actors from both sides of the current political divide And civil society, with a view to highlighting from these actors these actors on the challenges which could affect post-elections peace and political cooperation in the overall attempt to exploiting the goodwill Liberians in the maintenance of peace, security and cooperation in post-election Liberia.

Roundtable Objectives:

The roundtable was designed with the following objectives in mind:

- ◆ To provide a rendezvous for bringing together major state actors to deliberate on Liberia's post-elections period.
- ◆ To provide an occasion for actors to interact in the interest of maintaining the gains made in the peace and electoral processes
- ◆ To encourage and maintain dialogue, as a strategy for political cooperation
- ◆ To provide a point of reference for state actors in the process of peace maintenance and political cooperation.

Opening Remarks:

Day one of the two-day roundtable workshop commenced with opening and welcome remarks made by Ms. Annie Longley, Country Director of ERIS-Carter Center-UK in Liberia. Ms. Longley commended participants for their presence at the workshop, stating that it showed their commitment and interest in the progressive march forward for a new

Liberia. She called on participant to discuss the issues free of trivial personal biases and with openness, emphasizing that to raise Liberia from its present socio-political stalemate, issues needed to be place and discussed in an open and honest fashion to derive the desired national results. Ms. Longley however, regretted the rather imbalance in female turnout at the program.

Mr. Moses Pitso, Director of the Political Parties' Assistance Program of the ERIS-Carter Center Elections Program in Liberia, rendered for the benefit of the participants, the objectives of the program. Mr. Pitso restated the need for continuing common grounds after the hurdles of war and political differences which , by the electoral process might even have widened. HE called on participants to take advantage of the occasion to debate the issues for peace and political collaboration in post-elections Liberia. Informing the audience that they bore responsibility for providing recommendations for healing and moving Liberia forward, Mr. Pitso called on politicians to consider a government of inclusion as starting point and decipher other viable options which could prove helpful to the overall process of post-election peace named political cooperation.

Mr. Robert Williams, representing the implementing partners, thanked all participants for their presence and called on them to respect each other as the deliberations unfolded. Mr. Williams concluded by introducing the participants.

Keynote Address:

The Keynote address was delivered by *Dr. Al-Hassan Conteh*, President of the University of Liberia (UL). Dr. Conteh commenced his address by firstly examining the problems and issues that have contributed to the current socio-political state of affairs stating that post-elections peace are twin transcendental means for attaining good governance, economic growth and development and that are valuable to all stakeholders in post-conflict Liberia. He said a paradigm shift was critical to the attainment of the stated objectives which is essential for changing the political culture and for building bridges for dialogue to sustaining continuing dialogue among stakeholders. Dr. Conteh then delved into probable causes of the entrenched political values and interest namely:

- ◆ the Imperial presidential culture,
- ◆ nominal but not practical balance of power among the branches of government,
- ◆ overly centralized government with development focused on a particular sector of society(settlers),
- ◆ the level of division persisting between and amongst members of the indigenous sector
- ◆ the poverty of sectionalism,

To attain post-elections peace and political cooperation dialogue between among political parties, legislators, former warring factions, inter-religious groupings, civil society organizations and the international community on barriers to peace and cooperation in the post–elections period. Dr. Conteh postulates that compounding the existing education divide between the “supposed educated and non-educated,” is the limited extent of

communications between the two groups. He concluded his presentation by forwarding some approaches to promoting post-elections peace and political cooperation in Liberia: He spelt out good governance, accountability, transparency, responsibility, discipline, honesty, love of country and by extension, its people. Continuing, Dr. Conteh listed the nurturing of social ethics and mores, respect for constituted authority, strict adherence to the rule of law and order, the basis and the elimination of the culture of impunity.

After the keynote, the workshop delved into a review of the key points raised. Plenary interaction was moderated by Mr. Ezekiel Pajibo, Executive Director of Center for Democratic Empowerment (CEDE). See annex for detail of plenary interactions.

Hon. Morris Dukuly, former Speaker of the Republic of Liberia made the first presentation at the occasion. Mr. Dukuly spoke on the Media's Perspective of the theme, commencing his presentation by drawing public attention to the transformed media environment which currently existed in Liberia; the multiplicity of media institutions as compared to a few years earlier. Mr. Dukuly went on to point out some of the major challenges facing contemporary Liberian media:

- ◆ Mr. Dukuly described the economic situation in the country as pervasive and alluded to the poor economic policies which tend to institutionalize monopolistic practices against the interest of the nation and its people,
- ◆ the poor level of technology and professional training inadequacies are contributing factors to the current state of the media ,
- ◆ The media, is further incapacitated by the inadequate research base, weak institutional posture of the Press Union of Liberia, poor readership and internship on the part of the public,
- ◆ Rising costs of printing and newsprints coupled with the marginal economic standing of ordinary residents.

Mr. Dukuly, despite the listed challenges facing the media however postulated the following prospects for the media in the years ahead:

- ◆ HE recognized the level of conscientization taking place in the midst of poverty and uncompromising economic hardship, society was gaining a level of sensitization never before recalled in the history of Liberia. He noted that this was well a favorable occurrence,
- ◆ He added that for the future of the media to glimmer brighter than today, media practitioners needed to boldly report on societal ills with favor of fear for reprisal, freedom of speech , according to Mr. Dukuly is amongst the many universally recognized rights to be enjoyed by all citizens and must never be denied them,
- ◆ Mr. Dukuly translated the proliferation of newspapers and radio stations as a recognized sign of practitioners belief in the power of information gathering and sharing and the need to improve the reputation of the profession

Honorable Dukuly used the occasion to call on members of the media to practice the respect of the union's authority, calling on government to assist in strengthening the authority of the Union through the institution of disciplinary measures against breaches of the media code of conduct and other related media offenses. He, in conclusion called on media practitioners to recognize the power of the media to divide or mend the nation

rising out of years of war. He admonished the media to explore avenues of healing, development, and oneness.

The second presentation of the day was given by *Rev. William R. Tolbert III*, Director, *World Conference of Religions for Peace*. Rev Tolbert spoke on how the Inter-Religious community could contribute to the promotion of post-elections peace and political cooperation in Liberia. Rev. Tolbert commenced his discussions by given the audience some background and objectives of the Inter-Religious Council in Liberia. He stated that the council was created out of the need to show respect for religious differences and multi-religious environment. According to Rev. Tolbert, a major objective of the IRCL is to build a network of cooperation, aimed at facilitating peaceful co-existence and social justice. Rev. Tolbert forwarded the following activities which according him might enhance the prospects of that body in the post-Elections period:

- ◆ The active and positive engagement of the body in the transformation of conflict in Liberia and neighboring countries for regional peace and stability;
- ◆ The conduct of regular consultations and public dialogue between all stakeholders on issues affecting Liberia (ns);
- ◆ endeavoring to promote dialogue between and amongst belligerent state actors;
- ◆ to promote social cohesion through varying programs and undertakings;

According to the Liberia Director of the World Conference of Religions for Peace, Rev. Tolbert proffered the following activities as critical to moving forward the public appreciation of the IRC vis-à-vis its impact in the promotion and sustenance of post-elections peace and political cooperation in Liberia:

- ◆ Embark on mass public sensitizations on the establishment and works of the Truth and reconciliation Commission(TRC);
- ◆ Seek to address the psycho-social wounds of war affected persons;
- ◆ Actively embark on stress management and trauma counseling;
- ◆ Encourage inclusive dialogue by taking same to villages and towns, thereby seeking the active involvement of traditional leaders in national decision-making;
- ◆ Taking regular roundtables and related activities into rural parts.

Reverend Tolbert concluded his presentation by calling on international partners to place more premiums on conflict mitigation and resolution as a strategy against over investment in conflicts. HE asserted that more time should be spent in economically productive activities utilizing resources which are often directed to conflict mitigation. He therefore implored the IRCL to position itself in ways that discourages conflict and promotes national unity and cohesion.

The last presentation for the Day was provided by *Federation of Liberian Youth (FLY) Secretary General, Pandarious Allison*. Mr. Allison recounted the challenges experienced by youths of Liberia over the years. Examining from Liberia's historic context, youth have generally been misused, abused and manipulated by politicians in their(politicians selfish interests). To address the collective challenges facing Youths in Liberia, the Federation of Liberian Youths (FLY) was established and subsequently endorsed by the Act of the Legislature. With very meager support from the government of Liberia, FLY has, over the years championed the interest of young people. The advent of war rendered the organization dormant for over 10 years. According to Mr. Allison, FLY recently held

a national convention and elected, after more than 15 years, a leadership representative of the broad spectrum of Youth organizations in Liberia.

Mr. Allison informed the assembly of personalities at the workshop that the youths of Liberia has concluded a two-day National Youth Policy framework held in Kakata, Margibi County. The Workshop was organized to establish a framework by which programs aimed at servicing the challenges affecting young people in Liberia can and will be addressed. Mr. Allison said FLY as a vehicle for constructive engagement on behalf of young people, will seek to ensure that young people appropriately play its part in the maintenance of post-elections peace and social stability. Towards this end, FLY has put forth the following recommendations for consideration of the government and other stakeholders:

- ◆ Support for free and compulsory education(Technical & Academic);
- ◆ Establishment of a National Youth Corp;
- ◆ Greater Support to FLY as a national Institution;
- ◆ Youth empowerment programs such as micro-finance, employment promotions and entrepreneurship training;
- ◆ Improvements in recreational facilities and related activities
- ◆ promotion of mentor programs for young people;
- ◆ critical involvement of youths in national decision-making processes

Mr. Allison, in conclusion stated that he was convinced that workshops such at the one undertaking, which accommodate youths were important to the achievement of some of the goals spelt out in the National Youth Policy Framework, especially regarding the inclusion of youths in national deliberations. He emphasized that the maintenance of post-elections peace rested heavily on youths who are often manipulated to breach the peace. He called on international partners to organize more of such programs to get young people to continually discuss issues affecting them and the Liberia as a whole.

Day Two:

Ceremony for day-two commenced with a presentation by *Mrs. Jewel Howard Taylor*, Senator-Elect, Bong County and former First lady of the Republic of Liberia.

Speaking on the perspective of women in the promotion of post-elections peace and political cooperation, Mrs. Taylor embarked firstly on a discussion fo the challenges faced by Liberian women:

She listed amongst the many problems inhibiting women's political advancement as:

- ◆ the comparatively high illiteracy disparity between the more dominant male over the women;
- ◆ orchestrated marginalization by men leading to a low level of participation in national decision –making;
- ◆ sexual/gender and other forms of domestic violence against women;
- ◆ early marriage and the high rate of birth mortality have impacted negatively on women's ability to move up the socio-economic ladder with the requisite confidence and composure;

According to Mrs. Taylor, these problems have affecting women in ways that have contributed to their low public visibility over the years. She declared that her presence in the Senate of the post-elections Legislature provides a renewed opportunity not only for

her but for women Liberia over, to appreciate the challenge and work assiduously to surmount the ,many hurdles inhibiting their upward surge on the social economic ladder. Suggesting the way forward for women, Mrs. Taylor listed the following recommendations; as ways women could contribute to the sustenance of the post-elections peace:

- ◆ Women can contribute to national policy reforms aimed at removing all forms of marginalization of women and other sectors of society;
- ◆ seizing every opportunity to promote peaceful co-existence;
- ◆ Women can organize around such issues as education, health care, with emphasis on women and children;
- ◆ Women must strategize to promote greater visibility in national decision-making processes;
- ◆ women must be seen as partners of equal abilities in the national development process;
- ◆ Women need to work assiduously to get men to generally appreciate the new contest of a woman presidency and rally their support;
- ◆ Women must strive for a national reconciliation conference to heal national wounds;

Mrs. Taylor concluded her remarks by challenging newly elected leaders to put deeds into place and reduce rhetoric. She called on (non)-elected leaders to see themselves as servants of the people and not the converse. Mrs. Taylor said to protect the peace and promote post-elections cooperation and tranquility, women in Liberia needed to be selfless, very motherly, and support a process whereby merit and competence is commonplace in Liberia. Finally, Mrs. Taylor admonished Liberians to see reconciliation in all its manifestations and a way of guaranteeing the peace.

The second presentation of the day was made by *Mr. Oscar Bloh, Executive Director, Search for Common Ground-Liberia*. Mr. Bloh spoke on civil society's perspective on Promoting post Elections Peace and Political cooperation in Liberia. Mr. Bloh initiated his presentation with a working definition of what civil society is and what its primary roles and responsibilities are. He referred to civil society as a conglomeration of community-based organizations divorce of direct government control or supervision. According to Mr. Bloh, civil society comprises umbrella organizations that are focused in specific civil society issues such as:

- ◆ Interest Groups
 - Marketing Associations
 - Wheelbarrow Boys Association
- ◆ Workers Unions
 - GARWUL
 - LFLU
- ◆ Pro-Democracy Groups
- ◆ Human/Environment Rights Organizations
- ◆ Community Development Organizations

According to Mr. Bloh, civil society is by its establishment, under the following mandate to society:

- ◆ Mouth piece for ordinary people, the governed

- ◆ watch-dog on public(government) operations
- ◆ serve as liaison between government, interest groups and grassroots
- ◆ engage in advocacy campaigns in the national interest
- ◆ Undertake community self-education and human resource development

Mr. Bloh single out the rather spectacular role played by civil society organizations over the period of Liberia's civil crisis and even up the current gains made. He reminded the participants that the gains made would not have made much of an impact were it not for the collaboration of civil society organization who buttressed their efforts. He recounted also the enviable role of CSOs in the electoral process, leading to the enormous successes scored. HE called on the incoming government to place focus on four inter-related pillars: security; governance and participation; economic wellbeing; and justice and reconciliation.

- ◆ *Security*: According to the SEARCH boss, the new government must consider the need to realize that the imposition of order cannot be seen as the provision of security while the absence of war can be construed as the creation of peace. He called on the authorities of security restructuring exercises to examine Liberia's security needs in relations to both local and existing conditions in neighboring countries. He said only by such considerations can the nation be best suited to protect/defend itself and people appropriately. He admonished UNMIL and other security forces to employ early warning indicators for potential conflicts and rapid response mechanisms for effective handling of security situations.
- ◆ *Governance and Participation*: this pillar, according to Mr. Bloh examines the need for broad base representation and effective participation in national decision-making processes. He added that despite the existence of international Liberia's international partners and their much needed resources, it was critical that programs are tailored to the local contexts to ensure domestic ownership. According to Mr. Bloh, CSOs are pivotal in the ongoing strive to enhance broad base participation and representation in the governance process. CSOs are critical in explaining to grassroots policies and approaches and are vital in providing viable governance options in the overall interest of the state. He also called on CSOs to work in ways that attract foreign assistance in support of the governance process. CSOs were critical in their efforts to secure and guarantee the peace to identify potential spoilers for redress from the appropriate security agency.
- ◆ *Corruption*: CSOs are an important player in the national fight against corruption. He alleged most violent conflicts are a result of the climate of massive economic deprivations occasioned by corruption entrenched economies. He sited the policing of the Governance Economic Management Program (GEMAP) implementation to ensure objectivity and effectiveness of the plan.
- ◆ *Justice and Reconciliation*: According to Mr. Bloh, CSOs are vital in the dispensation of justice. For a country emerging for years of war, Mr. Bloh says it is critical that a viable framework for mitigating conflict and disputes be established and supported. He called on CSOs to inform the public about the need, operations and goals for such structures as the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) and related justice mechanisms.

Mr. Bloh emphasized CSOs importance in the nation's reconstruction process. he call on the civil society to provide the space for broadening communications between the

governed and the governors. Apart from this, Mr. Bloh stated that CSOs need to develop sustained peace-building, development and advocacy programs that are community centered and that an advocacy shift from mere human rights to change centered around particular communities.

The final presentation of the workshop was given by veteran *Liberian Political Scientist, former Foreign Minister, Dr. Henry Boima Fahnbulleh, Jr.* speaking on the political party perspective on the general theme. Dr. Fahnbulleh, stated as a precursor to his statement that the Liberia's October 11 elections were as historic and the results turned out. He frowned on actors who refused to abide by the rules of the political game but that they accept, unreservedly, the dictates of the generality of Liberians and work within the framework of the Law to address grievance(s). Dr. Fahnbulleh then delved into the subject by firstly calling on political parties to unendingly mobilize their members in the propagation of their party's doctrine. The veteran Liberian political scientist called on political parties to assume their roles in pursuance of post-elections peace. He said if the following responsibilities were undertaken, political parties' would then serve the non-partisan interest of the generality of Liberians. He called on parties to assume the following posture to enhance their relevance and aid in the sustenance of post-elections peace and political cooperation:

- ◆ Parties' should monitor the activities of government;
- ◆ Engage the ruling party constructively; by providing policy options and not highlighting governmental deficiencies alone;
- ◆ Parties should seek to fulfill the promises made by winning a winning party;
- ◆ Parties should cease being the transmission belt for the promotion of selfish ambitions but become dynamic entities for the protection and advancement of the national interest;

According to the former Liberian Foreign Minister who re-echoed the need to have political parties constructively engage the government of the day. To maintain post-elections peace and forged a viable cooperative political environment, Dr. Fahnbulleh admonished the winning party to ensure:

- ◆ A firm commitment to the rule of law;
- ◆ ensure a continuous culture of dialogue with other political parties as an inclusive way forward;
- ◆ political parties must take on an effective posture as a key stakeholder providing long-and short-run strategies;
- ◆ Maintaining regular engagement with CSOs on national issues and fostering national interest on their common socio-political agendas;

To enhance post-elections governance and improve citizen's participation, Dr. Fahnbulleh proffered that the ruling party should carry with it the collective aspirations of all Liberians and not the expectations of its members solely. He chided that though there is a resounding call for socio-political inclusion in government, this must be administered with competence and merit serving as the basis of that action. Dr. Fahnbulleh called on the new government to rally the populace around the themes of poverty alleviation, reduction in illiteracy; community security and people-centered development. Additionally, Dr. Fahnbulleh reverberated the need to address security with a focus on the "people involvement" in the collective defense of Liberia. Dr. Fahnbulleh finally

called on the need to promote community watch programs in conjunction with law enforcement agencies in checkmating anti-social elements that are prone to violence and criminality. He call for the establishment of a governance system that will address the factors which might have contributed to the dysfunctionalities that led to years of war. He emphasized on the essentialness of fighting corruption head-on and trusted the track records of the incoming leadership to embark unreservedly on that campaign. HE cautioned against the culture of jobs for appeasement which he stated were often illusory as the appointed were almost always a total disconnect between their appetite and the constituents they claim to represent.

The workshop ended with the organizers showering their gratitude to all attendees. See attached recommendations,

Workshop Outcomes/Recommendations:

At the close of the workshop, the following recommendations were forwarded from both participants and presenters as ways by which post-elections peace and political cooperation can be fostered and maintained:

- ◆ *Regular conduct of such roundtable to foster dialogue and improve stakeholders participation in national decision-making;*
- ◆ *Decentralization of decision-making and consensus-building processes, to include traditional and rural actors;*
- ◆ *publicized in both simple and presented language, the outcomes of this workshop;*
- ◆ *promote the conduct of peer discussions on issues of national concerns;*
- ◆ *There is a need for a national reconciliation conference;*
- ◆ *The is a need for the incoming government to promote job creation activities for young people especially;*
- ◆ *Utilize and/ or expand existing communication structures to enhance the prospects for promoting post-elections peace and cooperation throughout the country;*

- ◆ *Institute strategic socio-political reforms aimed at decentralizing national decision-making and to institutionalize basic that process;*
- ◆ Ensure the active participation of Churches and CSOs in all processes of national decision-making including peace promotion and in the transitional justice mechanisms;



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Day One:

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| 8.30 – 9.00am | Registration of Participants |
| 9.00 – 9.40am | Introduction
Welcome Remarks
Annie Longley, Country Director, ERIS-CC-UK/Liberia

Objectives
Moses Pitso, Director, PPA Program, ERIS-CC-UK/Liberia

Remarks & Introduction of Participants
DEVEIN/LDW REPRESENTATIVE
Participants' Expectations |
| 9.40 -10.15am | Keynote Address
Al Hassan Conteh
President, University of Liberia |
| 10.15 – 10.30 | BREAK |
| 10.30 – 11.15am | Presentation #1:
A Media Perspective on the Theme
Hon. Morris Dukuly, Former Speaker, RL |
| 11.15 – 11.30am | Plenary Interaction |

11:30 – 12.45pm	Presentation # 2 Inter Religious Perspective on the Theme Rev. William R. Tolbert III (Confirmed) Director, World conference of Religion for Peace
12:25-1:15pm	Plenary Interaction
1.15 – 2.15pm	Lunch
2.15 – 3.15pm	Presentation # 3 Youth Perspective on the Theme Pandorous Allison
3.15 – 3.30	BREAK
3.15 – 3.30pm	Plenary Interaction
3.30 – 4.00pm	Summary Remarks and Key Recommendations Rapporteur Announcement(s)
Day Two:	
8.30 – 9.00am	Registration of Participants
9.00 – 9.40am	Introduction Welcome Remarks Moses Pitso, Director, PPA Program, ERIS-CC-UK/Liberia
	Review of Day One Activities Rapporteur
	Introduction of Participants
9.40 -10.15am	Presentation #1: A Political Party's Perspective on the Theme Dr. H. Boima Fahnbulleh (TBC) Political Activist
10.15 – 10.30	BREAK
10.30 – 10.45am	Plenary Interaction
10.45 – 11.30am	Presentation # 2 A Woman's Perspective on the Theme Jewel Howard Taylor, Senator Elect Former First Lady of Liberia
11:30 – 12.00pm	Plenary Interaction
12.00 -1:15pm	Presentation # 3 A CSO Perspective on the Theme

	Oscar Bloh/Director SEARCH for Common Ground
1.15 – 2.15pm	L U N C H
2.15 – 2.45pm	Plenary Interaction
2:25 – 3.00	BREAK
3.00 – 3.30pm	Presentation # 4 A Former Warring Faction Perspective on the Theme Melvin Sogbandi, Former General, NPFL
3.30 – 4.00pm	Summary Remarks and Key Recommendations Rapporteur/LDW Representative Announcement(s) Vote of Thanks Annie Longley Director/ERIS-Carter Centre-UK/Liberia

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Registration of participants

No.	NAME	POSITION	ORGANIZATION	TEL.: No.	CHECK IN	
					Day 1	Day 2
PRESENTERS						
1.	Mr. Oscar Bloh	Director	Search for Common Ground	06554109		
2.	Dr. H. Boima Fahnbulleh	Political scientist		07702026		
3.	Mrs. Jewel Howard Taylor	Senator-elect	Bong County	06521694		
4.	Mr. Melvin Sogbandi	Official	Former NPFL/GOL	05662001		
5.	Rev. William R. Tolbert III	Regional Director	World Conference of Churches for Peace (WCCP)	06523789		
6.	Mr. Morris Dukuly	Former Speaker	Republic of Liberia	06459265		
7.	Mr. Edwin Snowe	Representative – Elect	Montserrado County, Liberia	05660800		
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1.	Ezekiel Pajibo	Executive Director	CEDE	05659459		
2.	Sekou Konneh	Instructor of Anthropology	University of Liberia	06519779		
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2.	Ms. Musu Clemens	Chief Of Party	Office of transitional Initiatives (OTI)	1		
3.	Dr. Wilbur Thomas	Mission Director	USAID/Liberia	077553676		

4.	Mr. Xav C. Hagen	Resident Country Director	International Republican Institute	1		
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2.	Cllr. Varney Sherman	Standard bearer	COTOL	06511964 /06510325		
3.	Dr. Joseph Korto	Standard bearer	LERP	06424978		
4.	Dr. Togba Nah Tipoteh	Standard bearer	APD	06516641		
5.	Mr. Alhaji Kromah	Standard bearer	ALCOP	06548519		
6.	Dr. Joseph Woah-tee	Standard bearer	LPL	06550670		
7.	Dr. Roland Massaquoi	Standard bearer	NPP	06511094		
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9.	Mr. Sekou Conneh	Standard bearer	PRODEM	06544093		
10.	Mr. George M. Weah	Standard bearer	CDC	06517389		
11.	Mrs. Ellen Johnson Sirleaf	Standard bearer	UP	06532486/ 06512511		
12.	Mr. Nathaniel Barnes	Standard bearer	LDP	06511422		
13.	Mr. Sam Raymond Divine	Presidential Candidate	Independent Candidate	1		
14.	George Koukou	Acting Speaker		06577989/06 575222		
POLITICAL PARTIES						
1.	UNITY PARTY					
	Dr. Charles Clarke	Chairman		077512528		
	Jamesetta H. Wolokollie	Vice Chairman		06578490		
	Peter Korvah	Secretary Genera		077513937		
2.	CDC					
	J. Cole Bangalu	Chairman		06517389		
	Len Eugene Nagbe	Secretary General		04777222		
	Orishall Gould			06513469		
	Jacqueline Caepart			06510399		

3.	LIBERTY PARTY					
	Rev. M. Owen Dunbar	Chairman		077009594		
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	Nathaniel Toe			04782871		
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	Boima Taylor			06510840		
	Charles Daviies			06585702		
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	Dargbe Nimely	Chairman		06515312		
	Smythe Johnson					
	Sando Armah					
7.	The Chairman and Members		Liberia Equal Rights Party			
	Rt. Apostle S. Washington Broh 1	Vice Standard Bearer		06535348		
	Rev. Moses D. Grant Sr.	Chairman		06550670		
	Rev. George B. Browne	Secretary General		06567408		
8.	The Chairman and Members		All Liberia Coalition Party (ALCOP)	06548519		
	E. Mac Russel					
	Johnstone Fahnborde					
	Ansu Dulleh					

9.	The Chairman and Members		Alliance for peace and Democracy			
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	Ms. Esther Momo			077049933		
	Mrs. Aretha Divine					
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	Joseph Blamiyon			06462289		
	Dwana Kingley			077653329		
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