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THE WHITE HOUSE
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October 29, 1984 FE006-12

Dear Head of State Doe:

I thank you for your recent letter regarding political developments in Liberia. We have also been concerned that the recent arrests and violence at the University could impair the transition process and detract from the substantial accomplishments you have achieved.

I am gratified by your assurances of commitment to the constitutional process leading to civilian rule and by your recent decision to release a number of individuals arrested in August. These actions help our efforts to sustain public and Congressional support for assistance to Liberia. I recognize that moving forward with the transition process in a way universally recognized as open and fair will require high statesmanship. You can count on my government's support in your effort to return Liberia to civilian constitutional rule through free elections.

As I have previously expressed, I value the close and friendly relationship which has long existed between our two countries, and believe that our exchanges serve to strengthen these relations. I appreciate your willingness to meet with me and to inform me personally of developments in Liberia. While the press of other business will prevent our meeting in the near future, I remain very interested in Liberia's progress.

Once again, thank you for your message. I will continue to watch with interest your Government's efforts to promote economic development and to

Sep 26 ltr from former Senator
Hugh Scott with Sep 21 ltr
from Pres Doe

NSC #8407281

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assure transition to a democratic, constitutional framework. Please accept my best wishes and those of the American people.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

His Excellency
Samuel K. Doe
Head of State and President
Interim National Assembly
Republic of Liberia
Monrovia

REFERRAL

DATE: 30 OCT 84

MEMORANDUM FOR: STATE SECRETARIAT

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:

TO: DOE, SAMUEL K

SOURCE: PRESIDENT

DATE: 29 OCT 84

KEYWORDS: LIBERIA

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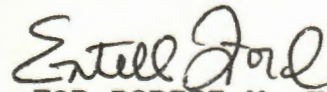
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SUBJ: LTR FM PRES TO PRES DOE RE AUGUST CONGRESSIONAL BODY

REQUIRED ACTION: FOR DISPATCH

DUE DATE:

COMMENTS:



FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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MEMORANDUM

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October 29, 1984

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: ROBERT C. MCFARLANE *rcm*

SUBJECT: Letter to Liberia Head of State Samuel Doe

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BY *dlr* 10/15/2022

Issue

To politely discourage Head of State Samuel Doe from his request to meet with you in the near future.

Facts

Liberian Head of State Samuel Doe wrote to you on September 21 proposing that he visit the U.S. in the near future to meet with you and brief you on Liberian political developments.

Discussion

Head of State Samuel Doe is a candidate for the Liberian Presidential election next year and his letter represents his latest attempt to convince the Liberian electorate that he is the American choice. We have carefully avoided endorsing Doe or anyone else. State proposes a reply which politely discourages any immediate visit by Doe to meet with you. The NSC Staff concurs; the speechwriters have cleared the text of your reply.

Recommendation

OK No

_____ _____ Sign your letter to Head of State Doe at Tab A

Tab A Your letter to Head of State Doe
Tab B Incoming Letter

Prepared by:
Fred Wattering

cc Vice President

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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October 15, 1984

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ROBERT C. MCFARLANE
THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Proposed Response to September 21 Letter to President from
Liberian Head of State Doe

Attached is a copy of a September 21 letter from Liberian Head of State Doe and a draft of a proposed response. Doe's letter to President Reagan suggests that he come to the U.S. in the near future to meet with President about recent political developments in Liberia. Our response indicates that it would be difficult to arrange an early meeting because of the President's schedule. A signed original is needed for delivery to Head of State Doe who always insists on it.

Corey

Charles Hill
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

1. Draft of proposed response.
2. Letter from Liberian Head of State Doe.

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Dear Head of State Doe:

I thank you for your letter of September 21 regarding recent political developments in Liberia. We, like you, have been concerned lest the recent arrests and violence at the University impair the transition process and detract from the credit which you properly deserve for your substantial accomplishments in forwarding that process.

I am deeply gratified by your assurances that you remain committed to the constitutional process leading to civilian rule and by your recent decision to release a number of individuals arrested in August. Such actions facilitate our efforts to sustain public and Congressional support for assistance to Liberia. I recognize that continuing with the transition process in a way which will be universally recognized as open and fair will require high statesmanship. You can count on my government's support in your effort to return Liberia through free elections to civilian constitutional rule.

His Excellency

Samuel K. Doe,
Head of State and President,
Interim National Assembly,
Republic of Liberia,
Monrovia.

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As I have told you in the past, I value the close and friendly relationship which has long existed between our two countries. I believe that our own exchanges have served to strengthen these relations. I appreciate your willingness to meet with me and to inform me personally of developments in Liberia. While the press of other business will prevent our meeting in the near future, I am interested in Liberia's progress.

Ambassador Swing has been reporting your views to me most faithfully. I am pleased that my representative in Monrovia enjoys your confidence and has good access to you. Please feel free to speak with him as you would to me.

Once again, I thank you for your message. I will continue to watch with interest your Government's efforts to promote economic development and to assure transition to a democratic, constitutional framework. Please accept my best wishes and those of the American people in your noble endeavor.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

Date: 27 Sep 84

MEMORANDUM FOR: Charles Hill
Department of State

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION:

TO: President
FROM: Doe, Samuel K
DATE: 21 Sep 84
SUBJECT: Appt Request For Doe w/Pres / August Congressional
Body

ACTION REQUESTED:

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DUE DATE: 01 Oct 84

COMMENTS:

Cindy Tindell
FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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FROM ROBERT M KIMMITT 456-2224
(NAME) (EXTENSION) (ROOM NUMBER)

MESSAGE DESCRIPTION PRES LTR TO DOE (NSC #7281)

<u>TO (AGENCY)</u>	<u>DELIVER TO:</u>	<u>DEPT/ROOM NO.</u>	<u>EXTENSION</u>
<u>STATE</u>	<u>CHARLES HILL</u>	<u>EXECUTIVE SECRETARY</u>	
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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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ACTION

October 25, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

FROM: FRED WETTERING *h*

SIGNED

SUBJECT: Liberia: Proposed Presidential Reply to Letter From Head of State Doe

The Liberian Head of State, Samuel K. Doe, wrote to the President on September 21 suggesting that he come to the U.S. in the near future to meet with and brief the President about recent Liberian political developments. This letter was sent out of channels via the visiting former U.S. Senator, Hugh Scott.

Doe is seeking two things in this message: to get a Presidential endorsement of his candidacy for President of Liberia in next year's election, and to end run the State Department. It is not particularly in our interest to satisfy either of these desires.

State has proposed a reply which politely indicates it would not be possible for the President to meet with Doe in the near future but contains expressions of good will. I support this text. The speechwriters have cleared the letter.

RECOMMENDATION: Sign your memo to the President at Tab I.

APPROVE _____

DISAPPROVE _____

Attachments
Tab I

- Your memo to the President
- A Presidential Ltr to Head of State Doe
- B Incoming letter from Doe

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BY *dh* NARA DATE 10/18/2022

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WASHINGTON

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September 27, 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT M. KIMMITT
 DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
 FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

FROM: D. EDWARD WILSON, JR. *D.E.W.f.*
 SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
 FOR ADMINISTRATION

SUBJECT: LETTERS FROM SENATOR HUGH SCOTT &
 THE EXECUTIVE MANSION, LIBERIA

Attached for appropriate handling are two letters, one from Senator Hugh Scott, the other from the Executive Mansion, Monrovia, Liberia. Senator Scott had these hand delivered to me on Wednesday evening, September 26, 1984, with a request that they be delivered to the President. In view of the apparent subject of these letters, I am transmitting them to you.

Thank you for your attention.

Attachments (2)

LAW OFFICES

SCOTT, HARRISON & McLEOD

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20037
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HUGH SCOTT
PARTNER

September 26, 1984

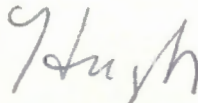
The Honorable Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The Foreign Minister, Ernest Eastman, and Ambassador to the United States, G. Toe Washington, of Liberia asked that I deliver the enclosed package directly to you.

Please accept my best wishes and strong support for your reelection on November 6.

Sincerely,



Hugh Scott

HS/bb
Enclosure

THE EXECUTIVE MANSION
OFFICE OF THE HEAD OF STATE
MONROVIA, LIBERIA

September 21, 1984

Dear Mr. President:

I address you a personal letter in reference to recent political activities, planned during my absence from the Nation for a medical checkup in Europe, which resulted in disturbances that surfaced upon my return.

Unfortunately, the press preferred to report these developments, not by embodying the facts that were obviously available; but rather, by relying primarily on their interest in news, and preferring also to narrow this interest only on my decision to react strenly to provocations which were engineered.

I would have hoped that attention had been focused as well on the extremists who desired to excite the passion of the Liberian people.

While recognizing your present official engagements and the political campaigning which you are waging to ensure your successful return to leadership of your Country, I am nevertheless willing to visit with you, to explain in details the plans and strategies within which these political activities were nurtured and the inner workings of those who wished the Country to pursue a new ideological and economic path.

I have been made aware of certain concerns registered by some members of the US Congress, relying, as it were, on what has appeared in certain U.S. newspapers.

His Excellency Ronald Reagan
President of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, D.C.
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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THE EXECUTIVE MANSION
OFFICE OF THE HEAD OF STATE
MONROVIA, LIBERIA

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I sincerely wish that the occasion to meet with you would also provide me the opportunity of addressing the August Congressional Body, renewing my commitment to the constitutional process and civilian rule, and to explaining some of the deliberate controversies which made necessary the steps I have had to take.

I trust that your campaign will be crowned with a resounding victory in November.

With compliments of best wishes,

Cordially yours,



SAMUEL K. DOE
HEAD OF STATE & PRESIDENT,
INTERIM NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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National Security Council
The White House

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cc: VP Meese Baker Deaver Other _____

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*Staff to Weltering for action.
 Recommendation to RMK due 9/27.*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

9/27/84

Fred:

Please advise if there is
any reason not to route
this via State per usual.

Thanks —

Bob

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TO PRESIDENT

FROM DOE, SAMUEL K

DOCDATE 21 SEP 84

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KEYWORDS: LIBERIA

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SUBJECT: APPT REQUEST FOR DOE W/ PRES / AUGUST CONGRESSIONAL BODY

ACTION: PREPARE MEMO FOR KIMMITT

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<i>Pres</i>	<i>P OCT 29 1984</i>	<i>Signature</i>		<i>VP</i>
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TO PRESIDENT FROM DOE, SAMUEL K DOCDATE 21 SEP 84
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To State Dept for action - Per F. Wettering 9/27
State D Draft Reply for Wlf Sdg 10/1
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Wettering S 10/16 Prepare memo for M Farlane
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WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

- O - OUTGOING
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- I - INCOMING
Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 84 / 1 / 1

Name of Correspondent: Mr. Mrs. Miss Helavia Adams

MI Mail Report User Codes: (A) _____ (B) _____ (C) _____

Subject: Writes concerning her son Elmer Johnson, who encountered problems during a visit to Liberia.

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ACTION CODES:
 A - Appropriate Action
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 D - Draft Response
 F - Furnish Fact Sheet to be used as Enclosure

I - Info Copy Only/No Action Necessary
 R - Direct Reply w/Copy
 S - For Signature
 X - Interim Reply

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 A - Answered
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PRESIDENTIAL REPLY

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- n - 2 - Nancy
- n - 3 - Mrs. Ronald Reagan

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- n - 2 - Ron - Nancy

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- X - Miscellaneous
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

S/S # 8432957

Date December 12, 1984

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane
National Security Council
The White House

Reference:

To: The President From: Hilaria Adams

Date: November 28, 1984 Subject: writes concerning
her son, Elmer Johnson, who encountered problems during a visit
to Liberia

WH Referral Dated: November 30, 1984 NSC ID# 278414
(If any)

 The attached item was sent directly to the Department
of State.

Action Taken:

 A draft reply is attached.

 A draft reply will be forwarded.

 A translation is attached

XX An information copy of a direct reply is attached.

 We believe no response is necessary for the reason
cited below.

 The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.

 Other.

Remarks:

for *J. L. Berry*
Charles Hill
Executive Secretary

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December 7, 1984

Ms. Hilaria Adams
640 Harvard Street
Mattapan, Massachusetts 02126

Dear Ms. Adams:

Your telegram to the President concerning your son, Elmer Johnson, has been referred to me for reply.

Please be advised that our Embassy in Monrovia and the Department of State in Washington are aware of Mr. Johnson's case. However, since he is a Liberian citizen, the United States Government is barred from providing him consular services or interceding on his behalf with the Government of Liberia.

I sympathize deeply with your concerns about your son's health and welfare and regret that we cannot be of more direct assistance. Please contact me again if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,



David L. Hobbs
Director
Citizens Emergency Center

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REFERRAL

NOVEMBER 30, 1984

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:
DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 278414

MEDIA: TELEGRAM, DATED NOVEMBER 28, 1984

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MS. HILARIA ADAMS
640 HARVARD STREET
MATTAPAN MA 02126

SUBJECT: WRITES CONCERNING HER SON ELMER JOHNSON,
WHO ENCOUNTERED PROBLEMS DURING A VISIT TO
LIBERIA

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
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PMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN

WHITE HOUSE DC 20500

VERY URGENT. AM APPEALING TO YOU FOR IMMEDIATE HELP MY SON, ELMER JOHNSON, ENCOUNTERED PROBLEMS DURING VISIT IN LIBERIA. WAS SHOT IN ARM AND EYE. UNDERSTAND INVESTIGATION NOW GOING ON. PLEASE SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE. LETTER FOLLOWS.

noted

HILARIA ADAMS

640 HARVARD ST

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THE WHITE HOUSE
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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INCOMING

DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 08, 1985

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. JUCONTEE T. WOEWIYU

SUBJECT: URGES INTERVENTION FOR THE RELEASE OF
CITIZENS IMPRISONED IN LIBERIA

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REFER QUESTIONS AND ROUTING UPDATES TO CENTRAL REFERENCE
(ROOM 75, OEOB) EXT. 2590
KEEP THIS WORKSHEET ATTACHED TO THE ORIGINAL INCOMING
LETTER AT ALL TIMES AND SEND COMPLETED RECORD TO RECORDS
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

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APR 19 1985

Date _____

For: Mr. Robert C. McFarlane
National Security Council
The White House

Reference:

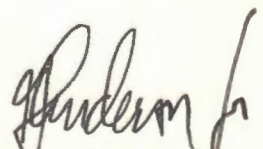
To: President Reagan From: Jucontee T. Woewiyu
Date: April 8, 1985 Subject: (telegram) requesting
intervention for release of citizens imprisoned in Liberia
WH Referral Dated: April 12, 1985 NSC ID# 301189
(if any)

_____ The attached item was sent directly to the
Department of State

Action Taken:

- _____ A draft reply is attached.
_____ A draft reply will be forwarded.
_____ A translation is attached.
 _____ An information copy of a direct reply is attached.
_____ We believe no response is necessary for the reason
cited below.
_____ The Department of State has no objection to the
proposed travel.
_____ Other.

Remarks:


Nicholas Platt
Executive Secretary

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

APR 19 1985

Dear Mr. Woewiyu:

I have been asked to respond on behalf of the President to your telegram of April 7, 1985. Thank you for sharing your concerns about the arrest of Liberian political leaders and about U.S. policy toward Liberia. I am sure that you will already have heard that the Liberian political leaders who were arrested after the April 1 assassination attempt against Head of State Doe were released without charge on April 8.

As for U.S. policy toward Liberia, the United States has provided substantial assistance to promote goals of economic reform and development for the Liberian people. The United States continues to support the Government of Liberia's announced goal of a transition to constitutional government through elections.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edward J. Perkins".

Edward J. Perkins
Director
Office of West African Affairs

Mr. Jucontee T. Woewiyu,
President,
The Union of Liberian Associations
in the Americas, Inc.,
3202 S. Grove Street,
East Orange, New Jersey.

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APRIL 12, 1985

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED:

DIRECT REPLY, FURNISH INFO COPY

DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 301189

MEDIA: TELEGRAM, DATED APRIL 8, 1985

TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN

FROM: MR. JUCONTEE T. WOEWIYU
PRESIDENT
THE UNION OF LIBERIAN ASSOCIATIONS
IN THE AMERICAS INC
3202 SOUTH GROVE STREET
EAST ORANGE NJ 07018

SUBJECT: URGES INTERVENTION FOR THE RELEASE OF
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PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN
TAKEN WITHIN 9 WORKING DAYS OF RECEIPT, PLEASE TELEPHONE THE
UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

RETURN CORRESPONDENCE, WORKSHEET AND COPY OF RESPONSE
(OR DRAFT) TO:
AGENCY LIAISON, ROOM 91, THE WHITE HOUSE

SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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PMS PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC

ONCE AGAIN, WE MUST CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO ANOTHER SPREE OF MILITARY ATROCITIES COMMITTED BY THE DOE GOVERNMENT IN LIBERIA.

ON APRIL 4 1985, THE GOVERNMENT OF LIBERIA ARRESTED AND DETAINED 5 POLITICAL-OPPOSITION-PARTY LEADERS AND OTHER CIVILIANS WHO ARE

PRESENTLY BEING TORTURED IN MILITARY PRISONS. THOSE ARRESTED INCLUDE: MR G. BARCUS MATTHEWS, CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITED PEOPLES PARTY, MR TUAN WREH, CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBERIAN ACTION PARTY, DR. EDWARD KESSELEY, CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITY PARTY, GABRIEL KPOLLEH, CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBERIAN UNIFICATION PARTY, AND HARRY GREAVES, VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIBERIAN ACTION PARTY. THESE ARRESTS STEM FROM ANOTHER ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT FABRICATED AND ORCHESTRATED BY HEAD OF STATE SAMUEL K. DOE AND HIS HENCHMEN.

MAY WE ONCE AGAIN APPEAL TO YOUR GOOD OFFICES TO INTERVENE IN THIS HUMAN CATASTROPHE TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND SPEEDY RELEASE OF THESE INNOCENT CITIZENS OF LIBERIA. MAY WE ALSO APPEAL AGAIN TO THE CONSCIENCE OF YOUR GOVERNMENT FOR A RE-EVALUATION OF U.S. AID TO THE RUTHLESS MILITARY REGIME IN OUR COUNTRY. THANKS

RESPECTFULLY YOURS

JUCONTEE T. WOEWIYU, PRESIDENT
THE UNION OF LIBERIAN ASSOCIATIONS IN THE AMERICAS INC
3202 S GROVE ST
E ORANGE NJ 07018

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