

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY ACTIVITIES – Thursday, November 5, 2015

- President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf concluded her State Visit to the People's Republic of China after holding high-level meetings with the Premier of China's State Council, Li Keqiang, and the Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, Zhang Dejiang at the Great Hall of the People.
- Earlier today, President Sirleaf held discussions with African Ambassadors accredited near Beijing and urged them to be strong representatives and advocates for not just their respective countries but the African continent as a whole.

They thanked the Liberia leader for reaching out to them during her visit to China, praised her heroism and leadership during Ebola fight and for leading the war-torn nation into peace, reconciliation and development. They acknowledged her international leadership and described her as a good ambassador of the African continent on the global stage.

- The Liberian leader also met with the spouses of African Ambassadors in China under the banner - Group of African Ambassadors Spouses (GASS) - who presented a check of ¥150,000 (RMB) or approximately \$23,573 (United States dollars) to President Sirleaf for use by the Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection to assist Ebola survivors. They expressed their admiration for the Liberian leader, describing her as a role model and champion of women's empowerment and development.

In response, she thanked the Group of African Ambassadors Spouses for their thoughtfulness and admitted that during her many visits, the action of the GASS members represented the first of its kind among spouses of African Ambassadors. She assured that the amount will be used by the Ministry to support children who were orphaned as a result of the Ebola Virus Disease (EVD).