

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY ACTIVITIES

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- The President of the Guinea and current chairman of the Mano River Union (MRU), Professor Alpha Conde paid a one-day visit to Liberia to show solidarity and compassion to President Sirleaf and the people of Liberia.

Following bilateral talks centered on the sustained fight against the Ebola virus disease within the MRU basin, the two leaders addressed a joint press stakeout in the foyer of the Foreign Ministry.

Through an interpreter, President Conde said, "I came to show compassion to my sister, to the Liberian people and also to show that we have a common destiny in the turmoil we are facing. We have to fight Ebola and all the consequences including our economic recovery."

Earlier, President Sirleaf applauded the Guinean President for the level of encouragement in the fight against the deadly Ebola virus disease, as well as his representation of the MRU countries at different international fora to mobilize support for the countries worse affected by the Ebola virus disease.

She said Liberia looks forward to working with Guinea as both countries work together in improving the lives of its citizens.

- President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf commissioned Liberia's Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary to the Kingdom of Belgium and concurrent accreditation over the Kingdom of Netherlands, Grand Duchy of Luxemburg and the European Union at a ceremony in Monrovia. The brief ceremony took place in the Cabinet Room.

President Sirleaf expressed her pleasure in the integrity of Ambassador Nyenabo and praised his capability and level of interaction in his legislative work. She challenged Ambassador Isaac Nyenabo in light of his new role as a major responsibility as he would be representing his country in Belgium and the European Union (EU) – she referred to as Liberia's strongest development partner that has tremendously contributed to the country's development aspirations. She stressed the need for maintaining a strategic presence in Belgium and at the EU.

For his part, Ambassador Nyenabo thanked President Sirleaf for his preferment and said he does appreciate the challenges ahead but noted he takes solace in "defining a set of objectives; say what you want and then consider the obstacles. Never must the objectives be renounced in favor of the obstacles."