

Highlights of the President's Activities

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

- President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf held a breakfast meeting with the patron and founder of the African Governance Initiative (AGI), Tony Blair and his team when he paid a solidarity visit to Liberia. Mr. Blair is on the second leg of a two-day West African tour of countries worse affected by the Ebola virus disease. He had arrived from Sierra Leone and will visit Guinea after here.

President Sirleaf thanked the former British Prime Minister for the visit and his support to Liberia through the AGI, his own personal encouragement and advocacy especially in assisting in planning the country's long term vision, *Liberia Rising 2030*, and the shorter five-year vision, *Agenda for Transformation*.

Responding, Mr. Blair first expressed condolences to the President and the Liberian people for the thousands of lives lost during this unprecedented crisis. The former British Prime Minister thanked President Sirleaf for her leadership role in steering the affairs of State during this Ebola crisis. Though he noted the resilience of the Liberian people in the face of the crisis and the significant progress the country is making, he warned that the crisis is not over. "Slowing Ebola is not enough, we need to eradicate it," he added, noting that the number of new cases each week is still higher than the total for any previous outbreak in history.

- President Sirleaf later visited Grand Cape Mount County in continuation of her appreciation to health workers for their services to the country. While in Grand Cape Mount County, the Liberian President made several stops at clinics and health centers appreciating healthcare workers and at the same time distributing Personnel Protective Equipment (PPEs) and assorted food items for their upkeep.

She made stops at Madina and Sinje clinics along the Ibrahim Banbangidi highway as well as the Sembehun clinic on the Madina - Robertsport highway. She later visited the St. Timothy's Government Hospital in the county's capital, Robertsport.