

Highlights of the President's Activities

Friday, October 24, 2014

- President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf received in audience outgoing US army Major General Darryl Williams who had come to bid her farewell and at the same time introduce his replacement, Major General Gary Volesky. Major General Williams had led the advance team to set up the initial U.S. military assistance to Liberia.

The Liberian leader praised Major General Williams for his leadership ahead of a military deployment in Liberia as part of its fight against the outbreak of the Ebola virus disease. She stressed that the vanguard role played by Major General Williams proves United States commitment to the relationship between both countries especially in forming a common front to defeat the Ebola virus.

Speaking earlier, Major General Williams expressed gratitude to President Sirleaf and the Liberian people for the level of enthusiasm they have demonstrated in forming a united front to fight the disease and that the U.S. army was happy to form part of that front.

Incoming U.S. Army Commander, Major General Gary Volesky, renewed U.S. commitment to teaming up with Liberia to defeat the Ebola virus disease. He said the U.S. military's intervention here will be characterized by flexibility, speed and confidence and expressed confidence in the Armed Forces of Liberia's (AFL) Engineering Battalion in their collaboration.