

Special Statement By President George Manneh Weah To The People of Sierra Leone As They Go To The Polls On Wednesday, March 7, 2018

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It is good to be back home from a working visit to the Federal Republic of Nigeria. Tomorrow Sierra Leone will mark yet another historic milestone in the consolidation of its democracy.

We ask all Sierra Leoneans to remain peaceful as they go to the polls to exercise their constitutional rights to vote for a new president.

We urge the people of Sierra Leone to emulate Liberia's good example. After the 14 years of civil war, Liberians realize peace is the true path to development.

Protecting the peace in our region is paramount to every ECOWAS Member State. During my visit to Abuja in Monday, March 5, 2018, President Buhari and I reaffirmed ECOWAS' commitment to maintaining democracy, peace and security.

We thanked President Buhari for Nigeria's support in restoring peace and stability to both Liberia and Sierra Leone.

We admonish all Sierra Leoneans to put their country first. No candidate is bigger than Sierra Leone.

Finally, we ask all ECOWAS and other International observers to make sure the process in Sierra Leone is Free, Fair and Transparent.

Thank you