

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY ACTIVITIES - Thursday, September 10, 2015

- The Women of Liberia today honored and recognized President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf and Vice President Joseph N. Boakai for their outstanding leadership role played in the fight against the deadly Ebola virus disease in Liberia and the sub region.

The honor was bestowed on them during a special honoring program held at the Paynesville Town Hall.

The Women of Liberia through the Minister of Gender, Children and Social Protection, Mrs. Julia Duncan Cassell, in special remarks, indicated that the program was designed to particularly recognize the incredible and outstanding leadership role played by the both President Sirleaf and VP Boakai in the fight against the deadly Ebola virus in Liberia and the sub region.

Presenting the honor on behalf of the Women of Liberia, Madam Ruth G. Caesar praised President Sirleaf and V.P. Boakai for their strong courage and outstanding leadership in the fight against the deadly Ebola virus disease in Liberia, adding, "You never wavered, you stood firm and showed leadership," She indicated.

In response, President Sirleaf said, the heroes are many. "The Vice President and I are just a fraction of the heroes our country experienced," she said. She expressed thanks to the women for the honor including the churches and all religious bodies for the support in the fight against Ebola.

- President Sirleaf, today, praised the IMF, especially its Managing Director, for the partnership demonstrated during the Ebola crisis in Liberia which was "nothing short of extraordinary".

She thanked Ms.Christine Lagard, who's visiting Liberia for the first time, and informed her that together with other partners they've been able to reinforce hope and confidence in the nation's ability to continue the policies, contain the virus and to once again embark on the country's reconstruction efforts.

The Liberian leader gave the assurance when she jointly addressed a press stakeout with Ms. Lagard in the Foyer of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs following a meeting with government's Economic Management Team. Ms. Lagard, at the head of a high-level IMF delegation, is in the country on a two-day visit.

The Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), Ms. Christine Lagarde has assured President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf that the IMF will continue to support Liberia stabilize and improve its economy.

- President Sirleaf says the visit of the Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), Madam Christine Lagarde and delegation to Liberia is a show of solidarity with Liberians.

She made the statement at a State Dinner in honor of the IMF Managing Director at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs C. Cecil Dennis Auditorium.

She expressed thanks to the IMF, especially its Managing Director, for the immense support demonstrated during the country's fight against the deadly Ebola virus disease which took away many lives and postponed development initiatives.

She noted that in Liberia's progression over the many years of reconstruction, the IMF has been an amicable partner in many aspects and indicated that Madam Lagard's visit to Liberia will give her a greater understanding of the country's post-Ebola recovery efforts.