HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY ACTIVITIES Tuesday, July 7, 2015

President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, at the head of a high-level Liberian delegation, has departed the country for official visits to the United States of America and Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia.

At the invitation of United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, the Liberian leader will join her colleagues, Guinean President, Dr. Alpha Condé and Sierra Leonean President, Dr. Ernest Bai Koroma, three countries worse affected by the Ebola virus, to attend an International Ebola Recovery Conference at the UN Headquarters in New York. The Conference is being held in partnership with the African Union, the African Development Bank, the European Union and the World Bank.

It will focus international attention on the need for targeted investments to support Ebola recovery priorities over a 24-month period. Such investments will consider the broader risk landscape that includes health, governance and peace building within the three countries and the Mano River sub-region.

Following that Conference, President Sirleaf will join high-level political representatives, including Heads of State and Government, Ministers of Finance, Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation, as well as relevant institutional stakeholders, non-governmental organizations and business sector entities at the Third International Conference on Financing for Development in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The Conference runs from July 13 to 16, 2015.

The Conference will result in an intergovernmental negotiated and agreed outcome, which should constitute an important contribution to and support the implementation of the post-2015 development agenda.