



Republic of Liberia
National Elections Commission (NEC)



STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NEC

15 October 2005

7:00 pm

□ PROGRESSIVE RESULTS FROM TALLYING

As of this evening 2,457 polling places have reported. A total of 829,649 votes have been counted and tallied. The recorded turn out for the polling places which have reported amounts to 74.6%.

These updates have been received from the following Counties: Margibi, Lofa, Upper Nimba, River Cess, Upper Montserrado, Bong and Grand Bassa.

In Montserrado, 827 of the 989 polling places have reported. The total votes counted for Montserrado is 320, 818. This is a significant increase from the 213, 100 from this morning.

Presidential Candidates receiving more than five percent of the vote based on the polling places which have reported are as follows:

CANDIDATE	NUMBER OF VOTES	% PERCENTAGE OF VOTES
1. GEORGE WEAH	237, 790	29.8
2. ELLEN JOHNSON SIRLEAF	157, 055	19.7
3. CHARLES BRUMSKINE	95, 498	12
4. WINSTON TUBMAN	73, 087	9.1
5. VARNEY SHERMAN	67, 314	8.4

Please be advised that detailed reports will be distributed at the end of the press conference.

The NEC has received the declarations of preliminary results from Bomi and Grand Cape Mount signed by the Magistrates and is now reviewing these.

☐ RETRIEVAL OF MATERIALS

One helicopter flying to Kolahun in Lofa County experienced technical problems and will continue the retrieval of remaining materials from the polling places in this area on Monday, October 17, 2005.
