



EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 71

**EXEMPTING SELECTED ENTITIES
FROM CUSTOMS DUTIES ON FUEL**

WHEREAS, the need for customs duty exemption on fuel to generate electricity, provide public transportation, and widely broadcast information is imperative at this time of rising costs and rapid development;

WHEREAS, in the absence of hydro or alternative power, fuel is the key ingredient in the generation of electricity in Liberia by the Liberia Electricity Corporation;

WHEREAS, the generation of electricity at a reasonable cost is essential to maintain an affordable balance in the cost of living;

WHEREAS, Government seeks also to minimize the cost of transportation provided by the National Transit Authority in serving the general public; and

WHEREAS, the need exists to ensure the dissemination of information to the general public through the state-owned Liberia Broadcasting System;

NOW THEREFORE, the Government of the Republic of Liberia in the interest of national reconstruction and development hereby:

Exempts from the payment of customs duty all fuel acquired for the use of the Liberia Electricity Corporation (LEC), the National Transit Authority (NTA), and the Liberia Broadcasting System (LBS) in carrying out their respective mandates.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE
REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA THIS 31st DAY OF JULY
2015.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ellen Johnson Sirleaf'.

Ellen Johnson Sirleaf
**PRESIDENT
REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA**