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To the People of Liberia:

Laura and I appreciated your hosting us recently in your beautiful country. Laura had told me about Liberian hospitality, and now I have experienced it for myself.

It was a great pleasure for us to visit a country with such deep historic ties to the United States. The spirit of the Liberian people was unmistakable. We will not forget all the Liberians who lined the streets to celebrate our visit. We saw the great work that is being done to improve the education system in Liberia and train the Armed Forces of Liberia. The progress in Liberia is real, and your future is bright.

I am proud to have a strong friendship with President Sirleaf. She is a tireless advocate for Liberia. I know you are committed to freedom and democracy -- the United States will continue to be your partner.

Laura and I hope to visit you again in the years ahead. Until then, thank you for your true friendship and kind hospitality. Hosting a presidential event can cause inconveniences, and we thank you for your warmth and patience during our stay.

Sincerely,
George W. Bush

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