

**PRESIDENT ELLEN JOHNSON SIRLEAF FOREIGN TRAVEL 2006**  
**Costs\*\* vs. Benefits Analysis**

Start Date	End Date	Activity	Location/Details	Country	Deliverables	Estimated Benefit	\$\$\$ Benefits	Cost to Govt
6-Mar	7-Mar	Visit to Switzerland	Geneva	Switzerland	Bilateral aid to build all weather road between Kolahum and Vahun, rehab hospital in Voinjama and Tappita, employment program for production of school furniture & uniforms and other items. Multilateral aid worth SF 5M over 3 years.	SF 3M in bilateral aid.	\$2,476,269	\$189,025
6-Mar	8-Mar	Visit to France	Paris	France	Bilateral aid of 1 million Euro for budgetary support; donation of 6 ambulances, 1 fire truck, pledged to restart Alliance Francaise, assist w/ nurses training, provide equipment for mobile immigration brigade.	Bilateral aid of approximately \$1.2 M; nurses training will cost 250,000 Euro; fire truck = 20,000 euro; 6 ambulances = 120,000 euro; 100,000 euro for mobile equipment for immigration.	\$1,816,518	<i>included in amount above</i>
13-Mar	26-Mar	Official Visit to USA; Speech at Joint Meeting of Congress	Washington, DC	USA	US\$50 million supplemental; led discussions along with other Government officials for a \$25 million World Bank grant to Public Works; \$1million from the Center for Global Development for a Scott Fellows Program	US\$76 milion for public works projects, capacity building and security sector reform	\$76,000,000	\$273,577
7-May	11-May	The Oprah Show	Chicago	USA	30 nursing scholarships for Liberians in Chicago Colleges; 25,000 HIV/AIDS test kits; book drive to benefit schools and libraries.	US\$3 M for scholarships; \$5,000 book drive	\$3,053,000	\$31,661
13-May	14-May	Working Visit to Libya	Tripoli	Libya	Two 2-Mega watts generators			\$0
25-May	27-May	Women's Health and Awareness event	Atlanta, GA	USA	Health care supplies from Medshare and equipment for several hospitals in Liberia.	Medical supplies for Liberian hospitals worth more than \$1 M	\$1,036,270	\$0
28-May	31-May	Official Visit to UK and follow up visit to Liberia by Hon. Hilary Benn, Secretary, DFID	London	England	DFID will provide 50% cost share for PRSP (approx US\$2 M); assistance with anti-corruption program, civil service reform	Approximately \$18 M for the anti-corruption and civil service reform programs	\$18,000,000	\$91,531
7-Jun	8-Jun	International Labour Conference	Geneva	Switzerland	Ratification of Maritime Labour Convention	\$3 M donation by Dutch Gov't for Emergency Employment Program	\$3,000,000	\$18,944
1-Jul	2-Jul	AU Summit	Banjul	Gambia	Discussions on issues of African concern.	No direct financial benefit.	\$0	\$31,661
8-Sep	26-Sep	UN General Assembly; Clinton Global Initiative; Harvard Speech; Georgia Tech; address EU Parliament in France		USA and France	The establishment of the RLJ Enterprise Development Fund, a joint effort of Robert Johnson Companies, OPIC, the U.S. African Development Foundation and CHF International. Microsoft committed to building 10 Community Tech Centers in Liberia; Harvard University committed to sending students from the Kennedy School of Govt. to intern in key GoL ministries and agencies at no cost to the GoL.	\$30 M loan portfolio for private enterprise in Liberia + \$1,000,000 for Microsoft Community Tech Centers and \$100,000 to UNDP for Capacity Building	\$31,100,000	\$173,317
5-Oct	6-Oct	ECOWAS Summit	Abuja	Nigeria	Economic cooperation in the subregion	No direct financial benefit.	\$0	\$13,507
10-Oct	22-Oct	Georgetown University; Liberian Education Trust (LET) fundraiser, meeting with Sirleaf Market Women Fund (SMWF)	Washington, DC; New York; Charlotte, NC	USA	The President established and launched LET to assist with the restoration of basic education in Liberia. SMWF will rehabilitate and/or build 500 markets over a five year period. Georgetown University is sending interns to Liberia this summer to work free of charge in Government.	LET has raised approximately \$2 million and has already provided scholarships to Liberian girls, built and renovated schools in Liberia. The SMWF has raised \$1.1 million so far and has begun market renovation and construction in the country.	\$3,100,000	\$86,730
27-Oct	7-Nov	Official visit to China	Beijing	China	State visit to China, participated in the China-Africa Forum; tour Chinese firms to encourage them to invest in Liberia. Huawei Corp donated \$1 M worth of E-Government equipment; President Hu Jintao donated \$1.5 M for budgetary support and US\$60,000 for school uniforms.	\$1.5 million for budgetary support and \$1M for E-government equipment and \$60,000 for school uniforms.	\$2,560,000	\$30,290
14-Nov	17-Nov	EU Development Days	Brussels	Belgium	Secured funding (45 M Euros), along with other Gov't officials, for EDF 9 (European Development Fund) which would have been lost otherwise and negotiated an increase in the EDF 10 aid package from 70 M Euro to 119 M Euros.	Increase in European multilateral aid	\$0	\$15,533
1-Dec	2-Dec	Night of Diplomacy	Dakar	Senegal	Solidarity in the West African region	No direct financial benefit.	\$0	\$11,464
14-Dec	15-Dec	MRU talks	Conakry	Guinea	Security in the West African region	No direct financial benefit.	\$0	\$12,714
19-Dec	19-Dec	ECOWAS Summit	Ouagadougou	Burkina Faso	West African economic cooperation issues	No direct financial benefit.	\$0	\$11,300
							<b>\$142,142,057</b>	<b>\$991,254</b>

**Summary**

<b>Total benefits derived from foreign travels in 2006</b>	\$142,142,057
<b>Less total costs of foreign travels in 2006</b>	\$991,254
<b>Estimated total benefits to Government and people of Liberia - 2006</b>	<b>\$141,150,803</b>

**Notes:** \*\*Total costs includes tickets and per diem for members of the Legislature, media and civil society.