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The Independent National Commission on Human Rights (INCHR) recognizes that the provision of human rights education is cardinal to the protection and promotion of human rights in every society. Additionally, the INCHR is cognizant that a pool of trained personnel on human rights treaty reporting is important for the cultivation of a human rights friendly culture. Also, the culture of human rights will blossom further when human rights based approach is used in the development of national policies, programs and other activities. In addition, the implementation of the National Human Rights Action Plan and recommendations from the Universal Periodic Review needs to be taken seriously by all state and non-state actors responsible.

On account of the above, the Commission is engaging in activities that will reinforce its mandate of promotion and protection of human rights. These activities which will be carried out in the coming days will include human rights education and awareness campaign in Bong, Bassa, Bomi and Montserrado counties, a one day working session on treaty reporting with state institutions, one day technical working session to draft the revised Agenda for Transformation to mainstream the SDGs using Human Rights Based Approach, high level meeting with actors from the judiciary and a community based campaign to reduce invalid votes in subsequent elections. The INCHR will use these activities sponsored by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) of the United Nations to strengthen the capacity of the Commission, enhanced the Commission’s visibility, increase awareness among citizens on redress mechanisms for human rights violations among other human rights related objectives.

The INCHR commences these activities beginning Wednesday 6th December 2017 and climaxed 14th December 2017. The activities and schedule dates are:

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| INCHR Human Rights Education Awareness Campaign | December 6 – December 12, 2017 |
| INCHR Invalid Votes Reduction Campaign | December 7 – December 14, 2017 |
| Technical Working Session to Revise AFT | December 13, 2017 |
| High Level Meeting on NHRAP and UPR Recommendations | December 12, 2017 |
| Working Session on Treaty Reporting | December 7, 2017 |