It is conspicuous that the first audit to be conducted by the Auditor General, John S. Morlu, II will commence the ground-breaking treaty for economic criminals to be prosecuted which will restore fiscal discipline and the value for money to Liberia – a nation entrenched in financial malpractices.

However, the Liberia National Student Union (LINSU) is closely following with dismay the chain of events surrounding the Auditor General on one hand and the Government of Liberia on the other hand, and the subsequent assertion made by the Information Minister, Dr. Lawrence Bropleh and an undeniable account given by the Auditor General. LINSU categorically condemns the actions of the Government of Liberia for the level of harassment and intimidation meted out against the Auditor General at the RIA. We think that the attempt to hijack the free movement of Mr. Morlu without a court order or writ of arrest was a calculated attempt to demean, humiliate and frustrate the Auditor General. Moreover, this action does not only pose a threat to the security of the ordinary Liberian, but also is a serious abrogation of the law of our land. This style of governance is a replica of tactics used by repressive regimes like the True Whig Party, Former Master Sergeant Samuel Doe and the former Rebel leader Charles Taylor.

The lack of will on the part of the government to provide maximum security for the Auditor General places serious indictment on the government sincerity in fighting corruption and fostering transparency. The intimidation of the Auditor General in our view is a diversionary tactic intended to shift the attention of the Public from the audit to be conducted by the General Auditing Commission, to an allege incident involving John S. Morlu, II, thereby disrobing him of integrity and credibility.

Let us remind the Government that one of the main pillars of the cancellation of Liberia’s debt rests on a successful and comprehensive audit.

On another page, LINSU wishes to commend President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf for ordering an independent autopsy surrounding the mysterious death of Maideh Tokpa, a student of Christ the King Catholic School. The alleged hanging of the 13 years old student brought panic and pandemonium to the entire student populace. The entire student movement rejects the fictitious explanation by the Solicitor General for the death of student Tokpa presented in the autopsy report released by the Justice Ministry and will parallel enjoin the President in calling for an earth-crust investigation. The stance of the President signals the beginning of the return of justice to the poor.

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