



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO 80
EXTENSION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 70
SUSPENSION OF TARIFF ON RICE**

WHEREAS, the Government of Liberia is committed to ensuring that the prices of certain basic commodities on the Liberian market are at levels that do not impose unnecessary burden on the population;

WHEREAS, Government conducted an assessment and evaluation of the causes of increases in the prices of various strategic commodities and intend to initiate measures to ameliorate the situation;

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the finding of the assessment, Government has recognized the need to curb the continuous increase in the price of rice, the country's staple, to make it affordable for public purchase;

WHEREAS, there exists a need for exigent measures to achieve the desired objectives of easing the economic burden on the citizens and residents to enable access to the staple food, and such measures cannot await long processes, and

WHEREAS, in the exercise of the Executive Power vested in the President by the Constitution, the President issued Executive Orders No. 11, 19, 45, 61 and 70 suspending import tariffs on rice in the interest of the public and circumstances again necessitate similar measures;

NOW THEREFORE, the Government of Liberia in its desire to continue bringing relief to the public hereby extends Executive Order No. 70, suspending the import tariff on rice as classified under tariff No. 1006.30.00 (in packing of more than 5kg or in bulk); 1006.30.00 (in packaging of at least 5kg); and 1006.40.00 (broken rice) under the Revenue Code of Liberia Act 2000 as amended.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND SEAL OF THE
REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, THIS 25th DAY OF
AUGUST A.D. 2016

A handwritten signature in green ink, appearing to read 'Ellen Johnson Sirleaf', written over a horizontal line.

Ellen Johnson Sirleaf
PRESIDENT