



Republic of Liberia  
**National Elections Commission (NEC)**



**STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NEC**

**17 October 2005**

11:00 am

**☐ PROGRESSIVE RESULTS FROM TALLYING**

As of this morning, 2781 polling places have reported. More than 90% of all polling places for the presidential election have now reported. All 64 House districts including inaccessible areas have now submitted some figures.

Updates have been received from the following Counties:

- Grand Bassa
- Margibi
- Lower Bong
- Lofa

A total of 924, 913 votes have been counted and tallied. The recorded turn out for the polling places which have reported amounts to 74.1%.

Presidential Candidates receiving more than five percent of the vote based on the polling places which have reported are as follows:

<b>CANDIDATE</b>	<b>NUMBER OF VOTES</b>	<b>% PERCENTAGE OF VOTES</b>
1. GEORGE WEAH	257, 027	28.9
2. ELLEN JOHNSON SIRLEAF	175, 520	19.7
3. CHARLES BRUMSKINE	119, 252	13.4
4. WINSTON TUBMAN	85, 060	9.6
5. VARNEY SHERMAN	70, 936	8.0

Please be advised that detailed reports will be distributed at the end of the press conference.

**☐ NEC PRESS CONFERENCES**

Media are reminded that after tonight's 7pm press conference, starting on Tuesday October 18, NEC will go back to giving its twice weekly press conferences at 2pm on Tuesdays and Fridays.