



Republic of Liberia
NATIONAL ELECTIONS COMMISSION
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CIRCULAR LETTER

To : **All Radio Stations**

From : **The National Elections Commission**

Subj : **ELECTION UP DATE**

Date : October 6, 2005

The National Elections Commission kindly requests all radio stations throughout the country to be so kind to announce the following messages during their services to remind their congregations that:

1. Election day is Tuesday, October 11.
2. Polls will open at 8am and close at 6pm.
3. People should vote early to avoid waiting in long lines.
4. Voters must bring their voter registration cards. Without the cards, they cannot vote.
5. Voters may bring water, small food and an umbrella to be more comfortable while waiting in line.
6. Voters should come ready to cast their votes. They should know which candidates to vote for and not spend too much time in the voting booths.
7. There will be three ballots given to each voter. On the red presidential ballot, a voter is to make one mark in the box next to his/her choice.
8. On the green representative ballot, a voter is to make one mark in the box next to his/her choice.
9. However, on the blue senate ballot, a voter may make one mark each next to two candidates of his/her choice. Remember **“blue, two marks”**
10. Votes will be counted at each polling station in front of representatives of political parties, alliances, coalition and independent candidates. National and international observers as well as the media (journalists) will also be present. A tally sheet containing the results will be posted at each polling place and given to party/candidate representatives.
11. We encourage the voters to go in peace, while celebrating this day in choosing this nation's leaders, not rulers.
12. We wish to remind voters that if no one presidential candidate gets more than half of the total votes cast, there will be a run-off election in November. This means that even though one presidential candidate will get more votes than any of the others, he or she has not necessarily won the election, but will face the second-place candidate in the run-off election.
13. Voters are reminded to keep their voters cards safe after the October 11 election just in case there is a run-off election.
14. The public needs to be aware that various organizations will be publicizing results of the elections, but the National Elections Commission is the only official source of elections results.

Kind regards.