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As is her custom when she visits cities where there are Liberians, President Sirleaf met on Friday with a four-member delegation representing the Liberian Community of Metropolitan Boston.

They were: Mr. Sesay Johnson, Executive Director; Mr. Samuel J'Blee Tiah, Chairman of the Board; Mrs. Mamunie Dennis, Vice President for Administration of FOLICAM; and Ms. Jassie-Fredcia Senwah, Secretary.

According to a dispatch from Cambridge, President Sirleaf welcomed the delegation, asked what they were doing in America, and their future plans to return to Liberia and make their contributions.

The delegation shared with her their organization's many activities in support of the people of Liberia. These include: a scholarship fund that awards three scholarships annually; collecting books, and school and medical supplies for schools and hospitals; water projects; raising money to build a library in Paynesville that was dedicated in 2011; mobilizing women in the Diaspora to empower women in Liberia; and other ongoing efforts to build capacity for Liberia.

The delegation presented President Sirleaf a "Position Statement on the Educational Sector in Liberia." It states that the mission and purpose of The Liberian Community of Metropolitan Boston is primarily to cater to the needs of Liberians residing in Boston and the surrounding communities; that the organization supports quality education for students in Liberia, and the Sirleaf administration's efforts to identify and allocate the appropriate resources; that a well educated population represents a secure, well developed, a strong nation, and the President should continue to coordinate current interests in achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) as regards universal primary education, ensuring quality education in line with trends and technology of the twenty-first century.

President Sirleaf commended the Liberian Community of Metropolitan Boston for all that they are doing for their country.



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