



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 102**

**EXTENSION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER # 97  
THE SUSPENSION OF TARIFF ON AGRICULTURE PRODUCTS**

**WHEREAS**, to solidify the gains realized under Executive Order No. 97 and to continue to accelerate the development of the forestry and agricultural sectors in Liberia;

**WHEREAS**, the Government of Liberia, pursuant to its “Pro-Poor” Agenda for Prosperity and Development (PAPD), seeks to promote a stable Macroeconomic environment that enables private-sector-led economic growth, greater competitiveness, and diversification of the economy;

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the PAPD, the Liberian Government and International Partners are making tremendous efforts to boost the Agriculture Sector by working with key market players to make agriculture affordable for farmers through; inter alia, farm development and management, aggregation, Good Agriculture Practices (GAP), Training and enabling Legislation that would boost Agriculture output;

**WHEREAS**, in keeping with this development initiative, the findings of Local and International Partners in the Agricultural Sector and its own internal review, it has reached the Government of Liberia that the Tariffs associated with Agriculture Inputs are high; thus, affecting the Agricultural Sector adversely and poor Rural Farmers who rely predominantly on Agriculture for their livelihood;

**WHEREAS**, the Government of Liberia realizes that the causal effect that such high Tariffs have on the Agricultural Sector and livelihood of Rural Farmers, contravenes its Agenda to promote a stable Macroeconomic environment, enable private-sector-led economic growth, competitiveness and diversification in the Liberian economy;

**ENVISIONING** that by lowering the Tariffs associated with the importation of Agricultural Inputs, the imports of agro-distributors would increase, and the price of Agriculture Inputs to Farmers would be lowered;

**WHEREAS**, it is further projected that by reducing the Tariffs on Agriculture inputs, Farmers would be able to access high quality agriculture inputs at affordable prices, agricultural productivity would improve, agricultural activities would become commercially viable; product consistency would increase; and Local Farmers would have sustained high incomes;

**COGNIZANT** that the effect of reduced Tariffs on the Agricultural Sector brings the Government of Liberia closer to achieving United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (#2) of ending hunger, improved nutrition, achieving food security, and promoting sustainable Agriculture;

**AWARE** that an Amendment to the Customs Tariff of Liberia of 2017 to affect Tariffs currently imposed on Agricultural inputs, would require a lengthy Legislative process that would not be best in the current public interests;

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**REALIZING** that the temporary suspension of Tariffs on Agriculture Inputs would solve the aforementioned issues in the short term until such time that the Government of Liberia deems it necessary to enable Legislation in this regard;

**COGNIZANT** that in the exercise of the Executive Powers vested in the President by the Constitution of the Republic of Liberia, the President may issue an Executive Order in the public interest, either to meet emergencies or to correct particular situations which cannot await lengthy Legislative processes;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Government of Liberia hereby Suspends Import Tariffs on the types of Agriculture Products and Equipment, directly related to Agriculture development and classifies under the Tariff Numbers of the Harmonized System and Customs Common External Tariff Schedule of 2017 of the Republic of Liberia, as attached to and forming a cogent part of this Executive Order.

**ACCORDINGLY**,

1. The Minister of Finance and Development Planning, in consultation with the Minister of Agriculture and Commissioner General of the Liberia Revenue Authority, shall establish the processes and procedures by Administrative Regulation for the granting of Tax Exemption to eligible Beneficiaries within the Agriculture Sector.
2. Importers of Agriculture Inputs shall pay only Customs Users Fees (CUF) and the ECOWAS Trade Levy (ETL) where applicable;
3. That Beneficiaries of this Executive Order must be directly involved in the Agriculture Sector, as verified by the Ministry of Agriculture; and
4. This Executive Order shall take immediate effect.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, AND SEAL  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, THIS  
25<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'George Manneh Weah, Sr.', written over a horizontal line.

H.E. Dr. George Manneh Weah, Sr.  
PRESIDENT  
REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

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THE EXECUTIVE MANSION  
SUBJ.: PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT  
DATE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2020

RE: EXECUTIVE ORDER # 102

SUSPENSION OF TARIFF ON THE BELOW AGRICULTURE PRODUCTS AND MACHINERY

No.	TARIFF CODE	DESCRIPTION
1	0102.21	Live cattle (bovines) for breeding
2	0103.10	Live pigs (swine) for breeding
3	0104.10	Live sheep and goats (small ruminants) for breeding Live fish for breeding
4	10	All types of agriculture seeds and planting materials (cereals, pulses, oilseeds, fodder and of vegetables and other crops) including rice for sowing under chapter 10 and of the Harmonize Coding System (Custom Tariff)
5	12	All types of agriculture seeds for sowing under chapter 12 of the Harmonize Coding System (Customs Tariff)
6.	2309	Ingredients (raw and processed) used in animal, fish and poultry feed preparation, commercially prepared or complete feeds for farm animals, fish and poultry- feeds
7.	28.07 & 27.08	Ago-industrial chemicals, consumables for soil, plant and water analysis, equipment for collecting, drying, weighing and analyzing soil, plant and water samples as well as for surveillance and diagnosis of plant pests and diseases
8.	30.02.30	Veterinary drugs and vaccines for veterinary medics, anesthetics, hormones and chemicals for fish breeding. Veterinary laboratory equipment/honey bee laboratory equipment
9	3101	Animal, fish or vegetable fertilizer, whether or not mixed together or chemically treated: fertilizer produced by mixed or chemical treatment
10	3102	Mineral or chemical fertilizers, nitrogenous

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11	<b>3103</b>	Mineral or chemical fertilizers, phosphatic
12	<b>3104</b>	Mineral or chemical fertilizers potassic
13	<b>3105</b>	Mineral or chemical fertilizers containing two or three of the fertilizing elements; nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium, other fertilizers, goods of this chapter in tablets or similar forms or in packages
14	<b>3808</b>	Insecticides, rodenticides, acaricides, nematocides, molluscicides, fungicides, herbicides, anti-sprouting products, and plant-growth regulators, disinfectants similar products put in forms or packing for retails sale. Agriculture sprayers and portable spray tanks
15	<b>56.08</b>	Knotted netting of twine, cordage or rope; made up fishing nets and other made up nets, of textile materials
16	<b>6307.20.00.00</b>	Life-jackets and life-belts
17	<b>7020.00.10.00</b>	Fishing floats for fishing nets and cages for fish
18	<b>8407.21.00.00</b>	Outboard motors
19.	<b>8429</b>	Self-propelled bulldozers, angel dozers, grader, levelers, scrapers, mechanical shovels, excavators, shovels loaders, tamping machines, and road rollers, skidsteer and attachments.
20	<b>8430</b>	Other moving, grading, leveling, scraping, excavating, tamping, compacting, extracting or boring machinery for soil preparation or cultivation; lawn or sports ground rollers
21	<b>8432</b>	Agriculture, horticulture or forestry machinery for soil preparation or cultivation, and irrigation (tubing, equipment and supplies); lawn or sports ground rollers
22	<b>8434</b>	Machines for cleaning, sorting or grading seeds, grain or dried leguminous vegetables, machinery used in the pre-and post-harvest milling industry for the working of cereals, tubers or dried leguminous vegetables

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23	84.36.10	Machinery and ingredients for preparing animal and fish feeding stuffs
24	84.36.21	Poultry incubators and brooders
25	84.36.29	Other poultry-keeping machinery; poultry incubators and brooders and accessories
26	84.37.10	Machines for cleaning, sorting or grading seed, or dried leguminous vegetables
27	8448.51.00.00	Sinkers, needles, and other articles used in forming stitches
28	84.79.20	Machinery for the extraction or preparation of animal or fixed vegetable fats or oils
29	8518.40.00.00	Audio-frequency electric amplifiers
30	8518.50.00.00	Electric sound amplifier sets
31	85.26	Radar apparatus, radio navigational aid apparatus and radio remote control apparatus
32	8701	Tractor (other than tractors of heading 8709)
33	8701.20.00	Road tractors for semi-trailers
34	8701.30.00	Track-laying tractors
35	8705	Special purpose motor vehicles (for agricultural, fisheries aquaculture and forestry purposes)
36	87.13.90	Self-loading or self-unloading trailers or semi-trailers for agricultural purposes
37	8716	Trailers and semi-trailers, other vehicles, not mechanically propelled, parts thereof
38	8716.20.00	Self-loading or self-unloading trailers or semi-trailers for agricultural parts thereof
39	8716.39.21	Other tripping trailers, with carrying capacity of 6 cubic meters or less and a

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40	95.07	Fishing rods, fish-hooks and other line fishing tackle, fish handling nets <b>and its accessories</b> ; butterfly nets and similar nets; mobile transceiver unit (MTU)/vessel monitoring system (VMS) equipment; automatic identification system (AIS) kits; outboard machines; weighing scale; premixed gasoline; insolated container/ boxes; net mesh size measurement gage; water testing kits; oxygen probe, post-harvest equipment, handling equipment, paddlewheel, aerators floating device for fish cages; fish cages; mini AIS transponders: length frequency measurement board; Telescope lenses; high definition cold jacket; high lenses camera; Vanier calipers; satellites view equipment ; Bundle of nets for cage culture; special dryer for cage culture; pelleting machinery; decoy "birds" (other than those of heading 92.08 or 97.05) and similar
41		Food processing and preservation equipment and apparatus
42		Equipment, instruments, apparatus and other consumables including biological and chemical substances for agricultural education, research and scientific purposes

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