







## HOUSTON AND ATLANTA TRADE MISSION LIBERIA 2022 PROPOSED ITINERARY APRIL 21-29, 2022 HOUSTON INTERNATIONALTRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND THE LIBERIAN CONSULATE IN ATLANTA, GA

Day and Date April 21, 2022 (TENTATIVE) (Activities dates, time, and locations subject to change)	Time	Activities
LIBERIA		
1. Thursday, April 21, 2022	3:45 p.m.	Depart Houston to Monrovia, Liberia Flight #639 Delta KLM Air France
	4:35 p.m.	Depart Atlanta to Monrovia, Liberia Flight #681 Delta KLM Air France
2. Friday, April 22, 2022	4:50 p.m.	Arrive Monrovia, Liberia Immigration Airport Transfers Farmington Hotel Check-in Cultural Drums Welcome Distribution of Mission Welcome Packs Introduction of Liberia Hotel Staff Basic housekeeping and last-minute notices for attendees Late-Night Snack with special Liberia drink
		Dinner on own at hotel

3. Saturday, April 23, 2022	8:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.	Breakfast at hotel (At your Leisure)
	Open all day	Liberian Arts and Crafts Market Opens at Hotel on Patio
		Cloth Fitting (Tailors meet at hotel for fitting)
	6:30 P.M. 8:00 P.M.	Welcome Reception
		Welcome and Opening Remarks
		Val Thompson, President, Houston International Trade & Development Council, Publisher and CEO iF Magazine
		Honorable Cynthia L. Blandford, Honorary Consul General Republic of Liberia - State of GA, President, Global Strategies for Good, LLC, Publisher & CFO iF Magazine Atlanta, ,GA
		Minister of Foreign Affairs – His Excellency Dee-Maxwell Kemayah, Sr.
		Mr. James Strother – President, Liberian Business Association (LIBA)
		Cllr. N. Oswald Tweh, President, Liberia Chamber of Commerce
		Dr. Carolyn Evans-Shabazz Council Member District D, City of Houston
	8:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.	Live Band on the Patio and fashion show
4. Sunday, April 24, 2022	6:30 A.M. – 7:30 A.M.	Breakfast at Hotel (At your leisure)
	8:30 A.M.	Depart to Monrovia
	10:30 A.M.	Hotel Check-in (Royal Grand Hotel)

	12:00 P.M.	Lunch at Hotel (On Own)
	12:00 Noon – 7:00 p.m.	Mini-Expo Open All Day at Hotel (Liberia products/goods)
		Dinner (On Own)
5. Monday, April 25, 2022	7:30 A.M. – 8:30 A.M.	Breakfast (On own)
	9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon	Business Forum at Hotel
		Liberia's Business Environment, Challenges and Opportunities
		<ul> <li>National Investment Commission Hon. Gray</li> <li>Cllr. N. Oswald Tweh, President, Liberia Chamber of Commerce</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Mr. James Strother President, Liberian Business Association (LIBA)</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Mr. Peter Malcolm King, President and CEO Global Logistics Systems (GLS)</li> <li>U.S. Embassy Liberia</li> </ul>
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		Special Acknowledgements and Closing Remarks
		Val Thompson, President, Houston International Trade Development Council, President & Publisher iF Magazine
		Special Thanks and Next Steps
		Honorable Cynthia L. Blandford, Honorary Consul General Republic of Liberia - State of GA, President & CEO Global
		Strategies for Good, LLC, Publisher, and CFO iF Magazine Atlanta
	12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Acianca
	7:00 P.M. – 10:00 p.m.	Lunch (On Own) and Networking
		Liberia at Night (Karaoke)
		(Drinks and dinner on your own)

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Tuesday, April 26, 2022	7:30 A.M. – 8:30 A.M.	Breakfast (On Own at Hotel)
	10:00 A.M. 12:00 noon	National Museum of Liberia Tour
	12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Lunch on own (Location TBD)
	2:30 P.M. – 6:00 p.m.	Visit the Joseph Jenkins Roberts Statue – (First President of Liberia and first African-American President in the World for pictures and historical tour)  Providence Island – Where freed Black men and women
		from America arrived in Liberia in the early 1800s (Pictures, Naming Ceremony) Hosted by Ministry of Information, Cultural Affairs and Tourism
Wednesday, April 27, 2022	7:30 AM – 8:30 A.M.	Breakfast (On Own at Hotel)
	9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.	Meeting with Minister of Foreign Affairs Official presentation at the Liberian Senate
	12:30 P.M.	Lunch on Own
	2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.	University of Liberia Lecture
		Dr. Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Council Member District D, City of Houston to address the President, students and faculty

	7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.	Reception at Ambassador Michael McCarthy's Residence, U.S. Ambassador to Liberia (TBC)
Thursday, April 28, 2022	7:00 A.M. – 8:30 A.M.	Breakfast (On own)
	9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.	Hotel Check-out Depart to the Farmington Hotel (Overnight prior to departure)
		Shopping (Embassy Row)
	12:00 NOON - 1:30 P.M.	Lunch (On own) at Farmington
	2:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.	Leisure activities and networking (Dinner on own)
	7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.	Bon Voyage at Farmington & Invited Speaker (TBD) (Cash Bar)
Friday, April 29, 2022	7:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.	Breakfast and lunch on own
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(8:00 P.M. FLIGHT DEPARTS MONROVIA TO USA)	4:30 P.M.	Depart to airport for Delta Air France/KLM Immigration and check-in
	8:00 P.M.	Depart to USA Arrive in USA om Saturday, April 30, 2022

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