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Section 1. Perpetrator Information



Full Legal Name of Perpetrator: Jefferson T. Kojee

Country: Liberia

Title or Position: Mayor of Monrovia, Liberia (since January 2018); current member and officer of the Coalition for Democratic Change (CDC) Party (2005 to present) and defacto Chief of Security and Law Enforcer for President George Manneh Weah; former body guard of Chuckie Taylor, who was the Commander of the former notorious Liberia Anti-terrorism Unit (ATU) (from 1997 to 2003) and also convicted of Torture in 2009 in the US and is currently serving a 97 year sentence. Chuckie is also the son of former Liberia President Charles Taylor a convicted war criminal serving a 50-year sentence in the United Kingdom.

Date of Birth: 09/07/1985

Other Known Personal Identifiers (passport number, address, etc.): works and resides in Monrovia, Liberia.

Jefferson T. Kojee is the current Mayor of the capital city of Liberia Monrovia. Kojee is the first Mayor to be confirmed by the Liberian Senate since the end of the civil war, being confirmed unanimously by the Senate Committee on Internal Affairs and Good Governance. Prior to this, he was the National Youth Chairman for the Revolutionary National Youth League of the ruling Coalition for Democratic Change, where he worked as the leader of the young people of over One million around the country. Kojee worked between 2008 and 2010 as County Coordinator, Montserrado for the Federation of Liberian Youth, the umbrella organization for all youth groupings in Liberia. He is a candidate of Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) in Management of the Stella Maris Polytechnic and also a candidate of Bachelor of Science (BSC) in Political Science of the University of Liberia.

<https://www.weforum.org/people/jefferson-kojee>

GLOBAL MAGNITSKY ACT

Building upon the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act, on December 20, 2017, the President signed E.O. 13818, "Blocking the Property of Persons Involved in Serious Human Rights Abuse or Corruption," in which the President found that the prevalence of human rights abuse and corruption that have their source, in whole or in substantial part, outside the United States, has reached such scope and gravity that they threaten the stability of international political and economic systems. Human rights abuse and corruption undermine the values that form an essential foundation of stable, secure, and functioning societies; have devastating impacts on individuals; weaken democratic institutions; degrade the rule of law; perpetuate violent conflicts; facilitate the activities of dangerous persons; and undermine economic markets. The United States seeks to impose tangible and significant consequences on those who commit serious human rights abuse or engage in corruption, as well as to protect the financial system of the United States from abuse by these same persons.

As a result, there will be clear and convincing evidence that the current government of Liberia, in particular Jefferson T. Kojee, Mayor of Monrovia who was appointed and works for Liberian President George M. Weah and is involved in human rights violations and corruption that undermine the values that form an essential form an essential foundation of stable, secure, and functioning societies; have devastating impacts on individuals; weaken democratic institutions; degrade the rule of law; perpetuate violent conflicts; facilitate the activities of dangerous persons; and undermine economic markets. The United States seeks to impose tangible and significant consequences on those who commit serious human rights abuse or engage in corruption, as well as to protect the financial system of the United States from abuse by these same persons.

The U.S. government must uphold its stated commitment to promoting human rights and fighting corruption (as noted in the preface to EO 13818), the most compelling arguments will also include why a particular designation will work to advance U.S. interests and international peace and security more broadly. By sanctioning Mayor Jefferson T. Kojee it will send a targeted message to the Liberian government that any acts of human rights abuses and corruption, will isolate an individual spoiler, curb illicit finance, limit future human rights abuses within the entire government. In addition to restricting any visa and/or travel to the United States, the US government should freeze/block Jefferson Kojee and place him on OFAC's "Specially Designated Nationals"(SDN) list. This action will deter similarly situated actors of the Liberian government or others affiliated with the Liberian government from engaging in human rights

abuses and/or corruption.

2. National Interest Argument & Summary of Impact

The Government of Liberia continues to engage in serious acts of human rights abuses and corruption. Since the current Liberian administration took power in January 2018 the Human Rights and Corruption situation has continued to deteriorate. Although there are many individuals involved, most notable are the actions of the Mayor of Monrovia Jefferson T. Koijee who was appointed and works for President George M. Weah. Koijee's acts of violence including torture, unlawful detention and most recently attempted murder go unquestioned and he carries out his actions with impunity and with the knowledge and consent of President Weah. His actions will be chronicled below by public new accounts documenting a quite a compilation of criminal activity in such a short period of time. The actions of torture and attempted murder are no doubt akin to crimes against humanity and violations of international human law that must be stopped and he must be sanctioned by the US government. His actions are not alone, rather a stark pattern of criminal behavior of human rights violations and corruption which were documented below in the U.S. Department of State 2018 Liberia Human Rights Report the following incidents occurred:

U.S. Department of State – Liberia 2018 Human Rights Report

According to the U.S. Department of State Liberia 2018 Human Rights Report the human rights issues included the following:

- Extrajudicial killings by police;
- Arbitrary and prolonged detention by government officials;
- Harsh and life-threatening prison conditions;
- Undue restrictions on the press; criminal libel despite progress to enact legislation decriminalizing press offenses;
- Official corruption;
- Lack of accountability in cases of violence against women due to government inaction in some instances, including rape, domestic violence, and female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C);
- Trafficking in persons;
- Criminalization of consensual same-sex sexual conduct;
- Violence targeting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex (LGBTI) persons;
- Child labor, including its worst forms.

Impunity for individuals who committed atrocities during the civil wars, as well as for those responsible for current and continuing crimes, remained a serious problem; the government made intermittent but limited attempts to investigate and prosecute officials accused of current abuses, whether in the security forces or elsewhere in the government. Corruption at all levels of government continued to undermine public trust in state institutions.

<https://www.state.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Liberia-2018.pdf>

According to the Economist in an article dated August 10, 2019 the economic crisis and corruption could lead to violence. Coupled with horrendous ongoing human rights violations the country is on the brink of disaster and there has been absolutely no accountability by the international community.

In 2017 Liberians elected a former football star, George Weah, as president. Mr. Weah promised to help the poor and give corruption the boot. He is doing neither. Scandals have blighted his first 18 months in office and soaring inflation, which peaked at 29% in December, is hurting the poor in a country where more than half the population lives on less than \$2 a day.

The president's conduct has not helped. He has built about 50 houses in a compound in the capital. He says he used money he had earned during his days of football stardom. But citizens cannot be sure of this, since he has refused to publicly declare his assets. "It raises eyebrows," says Anderson Miamen of Transparency International, a corruption watchdog.

Governing a country as poor and fractious as Liberia is an unenviable task. But Mr. Weah is simply not up to the job. He is said to forget key facts, bungle media interviews and drift off in meetings.

St Peter's Lutheran Church in Monrovia, the capital, is filled with children and worshippers. But its windows, pockmarked by bullet holes, hint at a dark history: in 1990 government soldiers massacred 600 people here. Isaac Dowah, the pastor, points at two white stars marking the mass graves and frets: "We're at a breaking point."

Summary of Evidence Chronicled in Multiple New Accounts from suppressing free speech by the government of Liberia to attempted murder and at the center of the violence and human rights violations is Mayor Jefferson T. Kojee as depicted below:

<https://www.economist.com/middle-east-and-africa/2019/08/10/liberias-economic-crisis-and-corruption-could-lead-to-violence>

3. Summary of Evidence & Information Chronicling the Human Rights Violations by Jefferson Kojee

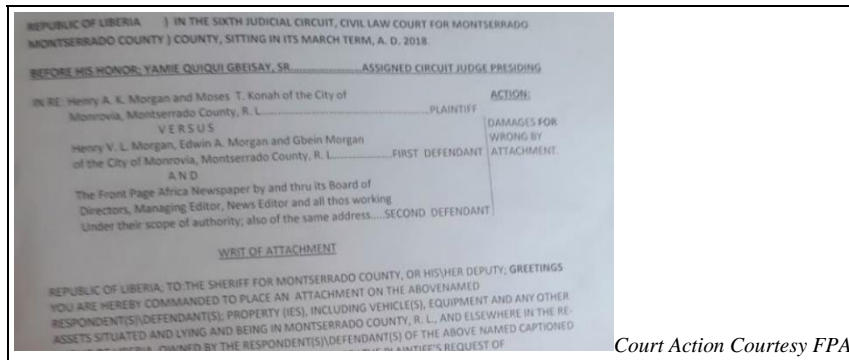


Liberian Newspaper Sued But Not Silenced

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Written by Jelter Meers

Front Page Africa has been sued US\$ 1.8 million for defamation in the latest attempt to silence the Liberian newspaper – another reason to change Liberia’s libel laws, the Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ) said Thursday.



Front Page Africa said it has been subject to harassment for reporting critically on successive governments for a long time. In this case, the paper was sued for running an ad, although two other outlets ran it too but were not sued.

Rodney Sieh, the newspaper’s owner and editor, said they will not cave and accused the country’s President George Weah and his inner circle of harassing his paper.

“The government’s actions today will not keep us from doing our investigative work but will only strengthen us to do more,” Sieh told OCCRP.

“President Weah’s failure to keep his supporters from raining threats on the media falls on his record and his presidency,” he said. “Should anything happen to me or any member of my staff, our blood will be on his hands.”

Using suits and harassment are a part of Liberia’s history, according to CPJ’s Africa Program Coordinator Angela Quintal.

“Liberia has a troubling history of libel lawsuits where applicants ask for exorbitant damages simply to harass and intimidate journalists, resulting in their imprisonment or the closure of news outlets,” Quintal said. “The government should move swiftly to reform Liberia’s libel laws to guard against their abuse in this way.”

The lawsuit is centered around a land administration notice published in March. One of the plaintiffs is Henry Morgan, who has ties to the President’s party, the Coalition for Democratic Change (CDC).

Other papers also published the notice but were not sued. Front Page Africa already received two summonses to appear in court. Sieh thinks that the arrests were unnecessary and feels that they are being singled out.

“Contrary to what the ministry of information has stated, we are strongly convinced that the government is definitely behind what happened today and the Presidency is in the know,” Sieh told

OCCRP. “Several other newspapers published the same land announcement as we did but only our newspaper was singled out. Was it really necessary to arrest and shut down our premises?”

A week before the summons, CDC member Jefferson Koijee – the mayor of Monrovia, where the paper is based – condemned the newspaper for its critical reporting on the government.

Koijee attacked Sieh, who is also a member of CPJ, personally for his “unprofessional attacks on the presidency,” Front Page Africa said.

At the same time, Sieh and the paper were being harassed by anonymous social media users who claimed that the newspaper was anti-government.

One of the social media posts showed a picture of Sieh’s home and threatened with arson, Sieh told CPJ.

Sieh thinks that the Facebook threats are ploys of the government.

“We are aware that government operatives have been using fake social media accounts to attack our credibility and issue threats against me and my staff - with some suggesting arson,” he said.

The summons was delivered on April 9 by court sheriffs who detained seven journalists for three hours and temporarily shut down the office, Front Page Africa’s editor Lennart Dodoo told CPJ.

Dodoo said that they were released after their lawyer negotiated for a \$ 350,000 bond to be paid the next day. They started publishing again the same day.

The depiction by government officials of the paper as anti-government is not fair as the paper ran a lot of positive stories as well, according to Sieh.

Liberia's Information Ministry denied any connection between the government and the lawsuit in a statement released on the same day as the summons.

“The government’s denial is the oldest trick in the book – as we have seen in other countries across Africa, they hide behind civil lawsuits to strike and suppress the press,” Sieh said.

Front Page Africa was asked to retract the advertisement by the lawyers of the now-plaintiffs in March, after which the paper published a clarification on the notice.

<https://www.occrp.org/en/27-ccwatch/cc-watch-briefs/7928-liberian-newspaper-sued-but-not-silenced>

Liberia: Ruling Party Headquarters Turn to Detention Center?

FrontPageAfricaOnline
By Edwin Genoway, Jr.
September 17, 2019



Monrovia – Five persons have accused the ruling Coalition for Democratic Change (CDC) of beating and jailing them on the orders of Mayor Jefferson **Koijee**, who is also the leader of the party’s youth wing.

The alleged victims claim they were detained in a dark room in the building housing the headquarters of the ruling party in Congo Town.

The incident happened a couple of weeks after the Deputy Police Chief for Operations, Marve Sackor was manhandled by some members of the CDC.

The victims told FrontPage Africa that they were arrested, beaten and jailed by a unit within the party dubbed “**Zebra Unit**,” which they alleged takes orders from Monrovia City Mayor **Koijee**.

Solomon Boe, Sam Harris, Olive, and Emmanuel Kpagbor, in separate accounts, told this paper that they were all arrested on Monday, September 8, 2019 at about 1 AM and taken to the party headquarters and incarcerated for two days without food or water.

The four victims are employees of an entertainment center located a few blocks away from the compound of the CDC.

Solomon Boe, who sustained wounds on his finger and head after allegedly being flogged, said his belongings including his phone were all taken away.

He explained that he and his workmates were leaving work when they were confronted by people, they claimed were partisans of the CDC.

Solomon explained: “We walked near the road not far from our working place waiting for our other friend that we all planned to go and enjoy ourselves somewhere when we saw Olive running and two guys behind her attempting to take her bag when they noticed our group, they left from behind her. After few minutes we saw another two guys holding cutlass and stick with nails all on it, though the guys that ran behind Olive ran back in the same direction the other two guys came from, I cannot tell whether or not were the same two that were after Olive.”

He furthered explained that, “When the two guys with the weapon in their hands approached where we were standing, they engaged us and asked us what were we doing around the road at that hour of the night, we too asked them what were they doing out with cutlass and sticks with nails all around it at the same hour of the night and one of them said they were told by their boss Jefferson Koijee to man trees being planted along the streets by the Monrovia City Corporation (MCC).

“While in the bitter argument, one of them left the scene and ran into the party headquarters and before we could make up of our mind we saw a white pick full of huge men calling themselves **Zebra Unit** and they collected us and took us to the party headquarters, that’s how our beating started.”

Solomon said Mayor **Koijee** was present at the party headquarters when they were arrested.

He noted that it was on the Mayor instruction that promoted their incarceration.

“What got me angrier was when the Mayor told them that they should lock us up and not release us until he says so; the guys took us at the back of the building where there are two old bathrooms with pupu (toilet) all inside, there where they put us,” he explained.

“When they took us there and we saw the mayor I was happy a bit, thinking he was going to tell his boys to release us but he instead told them to hold us.”

Meanwhile, Mayor **Koijee** told FrontPage Africa that he has no idea of what transpired at the party headquarters.

The victims, some of whom, are said to be CDCians insist that they saw Mayor **Koijee** at the party headquarters the night of the incident.

Another victim, Sam Harris, said his clothes were taken off him and he was thrown in the cell.

“Myself I am a CDCians we all used to be in that compound day and night but they all acted like they never knew me from anywhere, even the pekin who was manning the cell door is someone I know and he knows me well,” Harris said, while denouncing his membership from the CDC.

“Let be clear, with the heartless action these guys took against us on the instruction of Jefferson **Koijee**, I am no longer a CDCian, let CDC stay on their lane and I will stay on my lane, even my mother or father or any of my relatives join CDC will not be supported by me.”

For victim Olive, she claims her phone was stolen while she was allegedly beaten by another female identified as “CDC female Giant.”

Victim Emmanuel Kpagbor also alleged that his US\$20 and LD\$1,500 were allegedly taken from him and his clothes were taken off him as well.

There have been a series of allegations of brutality leveled against the ruling party.

In October 2014, the former Deputy National Secretary of the CDC Gbeh Salinto Montgomery accused Koijee and CDC current Chairman Mulbah Morlu of stripping him naked and flogging him.

Montgomery, at the time, alleged that **Koijee** and Morlu harmed him because of his support for the party’s former chairman, Mr. George Solo.

<https://frontpageafricaonline.com/news/liberia-ruling-pary-headquarters-turn-to-detention-center/>

The African Exponent

When a Nonentity takes to Notoriety: the Gangsterism of Monrovia City Mayor, Jefferson T. Koijee

November 20th, 2018

By Alfred P. B. Kiadii & Moses Uneh Yahmia

A mad house with dullards and perverts scrambling for quick fortune in the face of a frontal assault on the living standards of the masses of the people, the erosion of the fundamental superstructure institutions, compounded by the wholesale defenestration of decent compatriots from the public sector and replacement by despicable CDC faithful, have been the modus operandi and modus vivendi of the wretched CDC government for the last months.

These gory anomalies echo a chilling foreshadowing of the disaster that lurks on the horizon, a downward ebb of governance, and the disruption and reversal of basic gains the homeland made over the years. All the symptoms of a dying administration in all of its manifestations have occurred with striking exactitude, making critical compatriots to conclude that Liberia is in the throes of a putrid crisis. This spells doom for the country and places it not on the cusp of the abyss but at its lowest rungs.

On closer examination of the tragic farce, although we have been treated to the hollow rhetoric of ‘this government will succeed’ from the rabid ‘dat our time boys’, such whipping of opportunistic demagoguery from fanatics run in stark opposite to the widespread anarchy and the scandalous bankruptcy that pervade governance.

<https://www.africanexponent.com/bpost/5076-all-the-symptoms-of-a-dying-administration>



News Public Policy

MEDIA UNDER ASSAULT IN LIBERIA, KOIGEE ATTACKS FPA EDITOR

April 5, 2018

Barely a month after President George M. Weah branded British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) stringer Jonathan Paye-Layleh as “one of those who were against” his peace advocacy, Monrovia City Mayor, Jefferson Koijee, has upped the ante, with a blistering attack on the Managing Editor of the FrontPage Africa newspaper in Monrovia. Mr. Koijee is one of the staunch (loyal) members

of the governing Coalition for Democratic Change (CDC) and also Youth League chair of CDC. Mayor Koijee lambasted Rodney D. Sieh for what he termed as unprofessional attacks on the presidency and the denigration of initiatives by the government, including negotiations of about US\$536 million needed for a proposed coastal highway, among others.

Mayor Koijee said it was unfortunate for Mr. Sieh to present himself as a champion of the cause, adding, “Do not use the media to launch your selfish, cruel agenda, because Liberia needs to be developed and this is the best moment.” According to the Monrovia City Mayor, the media and the government remain strong partners and will continue to support President Weah in the development of Liberia, noting, “The media and civil society, including the religious community, are a vital force in building Liberia.” Mayor Koijee said the Weah-led administration is not against the press and cannot be against the media. However, he said it was unfortunate for few “redheads” within the media to continue to send negative statements or messages against the President of Liberia.

“We have great media practitioners in Liberia, including journalists Frank Sainworla, Dr. Kenneth Y. Best, the late Tom Kamara and many others who we continue to respect. You have a man, Rodney D. Sieh, who is currently presiding over or is owner of a residence that costs close to US\$600,000, which requires investigation,” Mayor Koijee said. “But there are people beginning to launch senseless attacks on President Weah’s reign. For instance, since President Weah talked about the building of a new Monrovia, fake media practitioners, who are pretending to be serious people, continue to give a negative information about the initiative,” Mayor Koijee said.

He indicated that there are polluted and contaminated elements within the media, who pretend to be media practitioners, and called on the media not to fall prey to such situations. He said the real enemies against the media are those trying to use the media to propagate ugly or bad messages. However, he said they will not be tolerated by the people of Liberia, including the government. Mayor Koijee said the CDC-led administration will not repeat the mistakes of the past government. But at the same time, media practitioners must continue to be very cool and sensitive, in order to rid themselves of those “bad elements,” among which, he said, is *FrontPage Africa*.

“We intend to bring forth a popular government, a government that cares for the people, and the government that will secure the survival of the people, looking at the 62 percent mandate given to President Weah by the people of Liberia,” he said. According to him, the Weah-led government is prepared to change the living conditions of the people and give them the opportunity for a better hope. But against this backdrop of scathing attacks on journalists and the media, beginning with President Weah’s recent attack on journalist and BBC stringer Jonathan Paye Layleh, there appears to be a growing sense of apprehension among journalists and the public at large. Many now wonder what lies ahead for the media, as well as for Liberia, under a George Weah’s presidency.

And this latest outburst from Monrovia City Mayor Jefferson Koijee against journalist Rodney Sieh, appears to signal what some have described as growing intolerance on the part of this

government in regard to freedom of expression and all its ramifications (results). Moreover, the appointment to high positions of trust of key figures closely linked to war criminal and convicted ex-President Charles Taylor, in the eyes of observers signals a bad omen for the country and its future, particularly with regard to freedom of expression. According to a longtime observer of Liberian politics and former professor of economics at the University of Liberia, Dr. Fred Vanderkraaij, President George Weah is either naive or calculated, judging by the appointments he has made in Government. Professor Vanderkraaij made particular reference to Charles Bright, whose appointment made him virtually a super minister, raising eyebrows far and wide.

Dr. Vanderkraaij fears that the rule of law under President Weah may be undermined by individuals whose records do not inspire confidence in attaining the goals of fighting corruption, ending impunity and promoting national reconciliation, as well as transparency, in public management. He further opines that with the very weak separation of powers, weak rule of law and wrong people appointed, the country risks going down a slippery path, which may lead to a plunge into the abyss. Given such a disposition, and judging from experience, journalists and the media, first in the line of fire, may be in for a very rough ride, given the torrent of vitriolic attacks against media practitioners.



Rodney Sieh, /www.newnarratives

But journalist and managing editor of the *FrontPage Africa* newspaper, Rodney Sieh, appears unperturbed by Mayor Kojee's outbursts. When asked by the *Daily Observer* why he did not prod Mayor Kojee to produce evidence of his wild claims against him, the Frontpage Africa editor said, "I am not going to say a word to Kojee and we will continue to do more investigative reporting," which suggests, in other words, that Kojee's outbursts is but a storm in a teacup. Meanwhile, Mayor Kojee also lauded the World Bank and other partners for the level of support to the Monrovia City Corporation (MCC) since he took over as Mayor.

Mayor Kojee said the World Bank and partners have been instrumental in ensuring that the waste management is successful. He said despite the enormous challenges faced by the City of Monrovia, the World Bank and partners have been ensuring that those challenges are addressed. "This coming

first Saturday of April, we will be launching the second phase of the Weah for Clean City. We want to appreciate all of those who have been helping to ensure that this city does not remain like this,” he said. According to him, the Armed Forces of Liberia has also committed itself in helping to carry on the cleanup campaign on Saturday. “This phase will begin at the Freeport of Monrovia to Duala and to New Kru Town. We want to call on all business people and partners to give their cooperation as the campaign will commence at 7 a.m.,” he said.

According to him, the cleanup team will also visit Clara Town and its environs as a way of inspiring residents of the area and ensuring they form part of the process. “We want them to take ownership of the ongoing initiative. We will also be collaborating with Paynesville City due to huge challenges in terms of cleaning the area,” he said.

Source/liberianobserver/Alvin Worzemainpic/www.allafrica.com

<https://www.liberianlistener.com/2018/04/05/media-under-assault-in-liberia-koigee-attacks-fpa-editor/>

Bush Chicken

Reporter Suffers Chest Injury After Being Detained in Police Holding Cell

- News

June 27, 2019 by Arrington Ballah

MONROVIA, Montserrado – After being arrested and detained by Monrovia City police, a Bush Chicken reporter is now suffering from musculoskeletal pain resulting from physical assault, according to a medical report.

Zeze Ballah was arrested on June 13 for interfering with city police operations, Monrovia City Corporation’s public relations officer Pekeleh Gbuapaye said in an interview.

Gbuapaye said Ballah interfered with police, who were trying to clear Broad Street of suspected criminals on the night of June 13.

Ballah is also the producer of a crime watch nighttime radio show on Hott FM and was near the radio station’s studio on Broad Street on the night of the incident. He questioned the authority of the city police officers to ask a group of individuals on the street to disperse, according to Gbuapaye.

The MCC public relations officer said police were responding to complaints from citizens of petty theft and harassment from individuals believed to be tricycle riders near the UBA Bank on upper Broad street.

“Zeze was outside, too. And that’s how he said it was not the function of the city police to be telling people to leave the street,” Gbuapaye said.

He said the reporter encouraged the individuals to resist, which created tension for the police. As a result of Ballah’s words, Gbuapaye said the cyclists resisted the police and formed a circle around the officers to prevent them from leaving the scene.

“So, the city police managed to get hold of two of the guys who were involved in the process, who wanted to instigate chaos at the time, by causing violence. And they started to call Zeze’s name, telling him that they were arrested,” Gbuapaye added.

Gbuapaye said, this, in addition to Ballah’s earlier comment, led the head of the city police to ask him to provide his identity, but Ballah initially refused to identify himself, but later said he was a journalist, although he did not disclose which institution he worked for.

Gbuapaye said Ballah’s refusal to identify himself prompted his arrest and detention. He was then charged with obstruction of justice, simple assault, and disorderly conduct.

However, MCC’s public relations officer said following the intervention of the Press Union of Liberia’s vice president, Octavin Williams, the matter was amicably resolved, and MCC dropped the charges.

“There was a charge sheet, and we wanted to go to court; but we don’t see reason that MCC as an institution and a journalist [to] go to court,” he noted.

“We decided to resolve this and he [Ballah] did a communication that the issue with him and the police officers have been resolved—he did it, and the records are in my office.”

However, Ballah denied that he had interfered with police operations, as claimed by the MCC official.

According to Ballah, he had watched officers arrest two individuals and after the arrest, an officer walked to him and asked him to identify himself.

“I told him Zeze Ballah. He again asked who am I and where do I work. I again told him that I am Zeze Ballah and work for myself,” he added.

Ballah said following his response, the officer ordered his arrest, alleging that he had ordered individuals to attack the city police officers. Ballah says MCC police falsely accused him and began flogging and kicking him in his chest and other areas on his body.

“When we reached the MCC headquarters, I was asked to write a statement. My money and other belongings were taken from me and my shirt [was] taken off me. I was also denied [the chance] to make calls to family members, friends, and loved ones,” Ballah said.

“I was treated like a criminal and later placed into a holding cell.”

He described the MCC police holding cell as being ‘very dirty with feces and urines all over the floor.

Ballah said his three phones were taken away from him by the officers, but only one was returned following his release. However, Gbuapaye has denied this claim, noting that Ballah had not indicated such in his formal statement to the police.

Ballah identified what he said were several contradictions from the officers who wanted him implicated. He said one account of the officers claimed that he was photographing the incident.

“I insisted that MCC provide evidence on the allegation that I did photo or instigated violence. The scene did not show any evidence of damage on vehicle or stone to indicate that indeed there was a violent act carried out in the area,” Ballah added. He admitted to the MCC official’s claim of signing a statement to amicably resolve the matter following the intervention of the Press Union’s vice president.

When contacted, the Press Union’s Williams said his role in Ballah’s release was to avoid a commotion between members of the media and state security actors.

“I am a witness of state security actors and journalist having issues,” he said, “even if they want to pick false on you, they have many ways they can do it, and as journalists, at [a] certain level, you must settle down. But, basically, I wanted the issue to be resolved.”

At the same time, one of the two individuals previously arrested by the Monrovia City Police, Sunny Chea, has denied that the reporter ever interfered with the officers’ operation or instigated any violence.

Chea also accused the city police of attempting to coerce them to falsely testify against the reporter in order to secure their release.

An independent investigation of the scene of the reported violence and interviews with individuals residing in the area did not point to proof of any physical damage on any vehicle or any evidence of stones or objects on the street as the result of violence on June 13.

Meanwhile, Ballah believes that his arrest and subsequent detention was as a result of a radio show he held two nights prior to his arrest when citizens expressed their views about the stockpiles of garbage in Monrovia, which they believe poses serious threats to their health and security. During that show, callers also called for the Monrovia mayor, Jefferson Kojee, to be dismissed.

Featured photo by Lloyd Massah

<https://www.bushchicken.com/reporter-suffers-chest-injury-after-being-detained-in-police-holding-cell/>

Liberia: Probe Ordered Into Ruling Partisans Attack on Police Deputy, Trying to Curb Opposition Election Victory Celebration

By [Rodney Sieh](#) Last updated Aug 3, 2019

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POLICE UNDER FIRE: Deputy Inspector General of Police for Operations, Marvin Sackor was allegedly beaten by CDCians based on his intervention that CDC partisans should remain in the premises of the party to avoid a clash with partisans of the Liberty Party who had gone to celebrate the victory of Mr. Abraham Darius Dillon in the recent Montserrado County Senatorial By-Elections.

Monrovia – Liberia’s Ministry of Justice has ordered an immediate investigation into the recent attack on the Deputy Inspector General of the Liberia National Police Mr. Marvin Sackor, who came under attack Wednesday after a speech by the Monrovia City Mayor Jefferson Koijee riled partisans of the ruling Coalition for Democratic Change to raid a by-elections victory celebration of Mr. Abraham Darius Dillon in this week’s Montserrado County Senatorial By-elections.

In a statement released late Friday, the MOJ without naming the city mayor says it categorically condemns and denounces the deteriorating trend of lawlessness in the country heightened by attacks against the persons of police officers. “While the MOU has consistently cautioned the police to respect the rights of the citizenry and refrain from the use of unreasonable force, the recent wave of attacks against the police is unacceptable,” the statement said.

11 Reportedly Wounded



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Mr. Benoni Urey, Chair of the four collaborating political parties, alleged that the police fired live bullets which allegedly resulted into one person being shot in the leg by the riot police officers, who tried to restore calm between the rioters.

While the MOU has consistently cautioned the police to respect the rights of the citizenry and refrain from the use of unreasonable force, the recent wave of attacks against the police is unacceptable.”

Statement from the Ministry of Justice

FrontPage Africa has however gathered that the Deputy Inspector General of Police for Operations, Sackor was allegedly beaten by CDCians based on his intervention that CDC partisans should remain in the premises of the party to avoid a clash with partisans of the Liberty Party who had gone to celebrate the victory of Mr. Dillon. The partisans reportedly refused and marched on to the LP headquarters to disrupt Mr. Dillon’s celebration.

After the raid on the LP headquarters this week, Mr. Urey accused partisans of the CDC for instigating the violence. “We were here at our party headquarters jubilating and merry making when some thugs of the CDC came and started throwing stones and fighting our partisans, when the violence broke out, the riot police came and fired live bullets and some of our people got wounded, 11 of them while one of our partisans got shot in the leg,” he explained.

Accusing Mayor Koijee



Monrovia City Mayor Jefferson Kojee has been accused of riling up ruling CDC partisans to attack Mr. Abraham Darius Dillon’s By-Election’s victory celebration.

The accusations have been bolstered by comments made by an enraged Jefferson Kojee, Mayor of the City of Monrovia, and also head of the ruling party’s youth league, who threatened Wednesday that his party will trade fire for fire with anyone staging protest against the government.

Said Mr. Kojee: “The youth league will protect our democracy, we will be on the front burner, we will lead our people like we led them before. Any day that would be announced here by anyone, we want to say to you that similar day would be announced by us. And wheresoever they are, we would also be there and we would meet in flesh and blood.”

Mr. Kojee explained that the decision has met the consensus of the party’s youth league. “Make no mistake to think that because we bear certain titles or bear certain space in government, that position has taken from us our true identity. What we fought for, we will not sit here as spectators and watch it come under attack. Those who believed that nothing good could ever come under our watch, we want to say moving forward when there is any called demonstration – as lawmakers lead, we want to say in our official capacity, whether you call me mayor or you call me youth chair person, we want to assure the public and the international community that we will be protectors of our democracy, we would lead such forces also.”

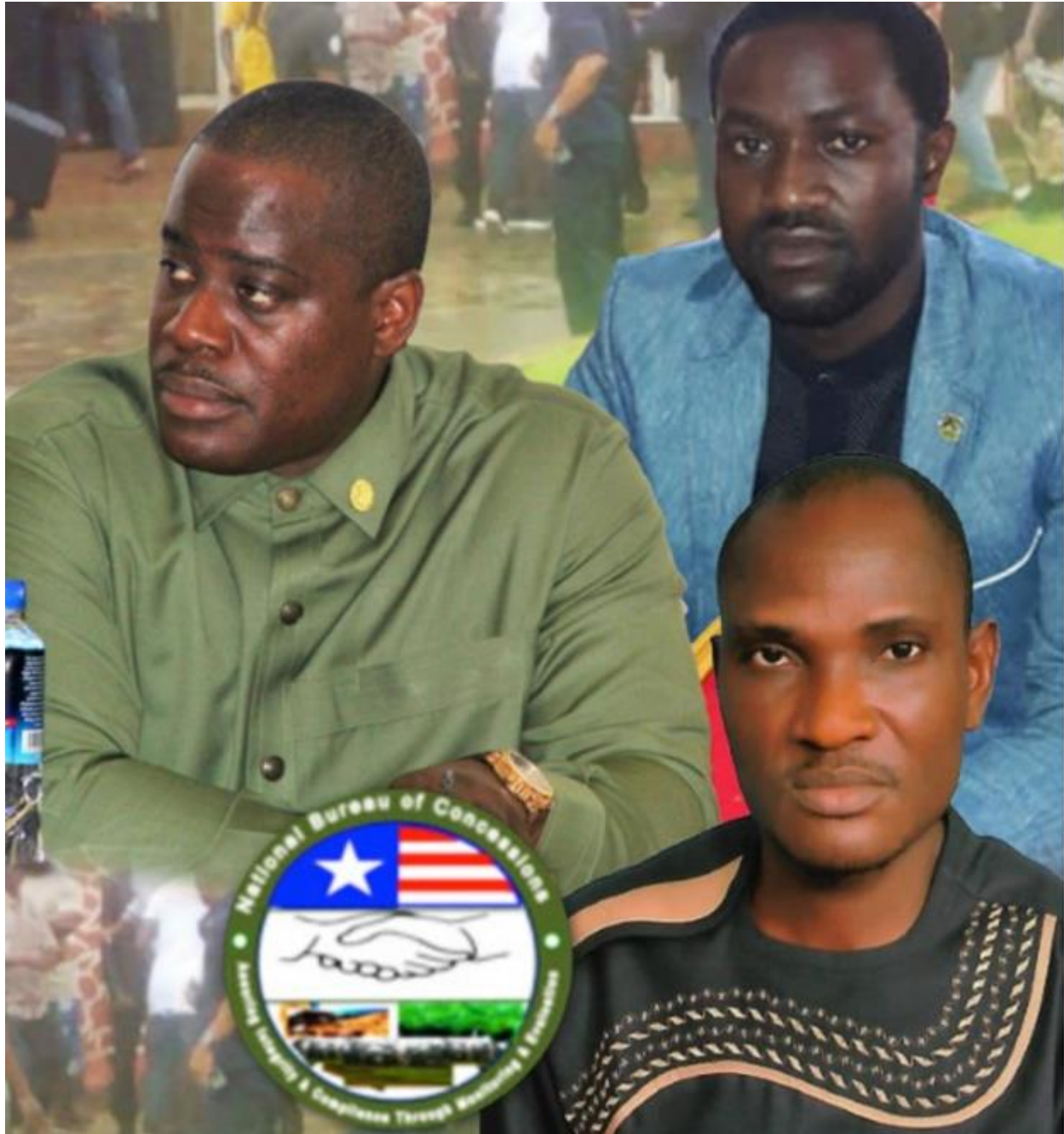
Mr. Kojee said no one person or group has monopoly over violence. “Unless we are not in this corridor. We have the capacity to rubble the peace of this country.”

Although Police spokesman Mr. Moses Carter rubbished the claims by Mr. Benoni Urey that shooting occurred during the clashes between partisans of the CDC and the opposition collaborating parties, some observers are beginning to draw comparison to an attack on the District No. 15 headquarters of Telia Urey at the weekend during which no arrests were made by the LNP.

The MOJ says it views with disdain recent attacks against the persons of the Deputy Inspector General of Police for Operations, Marvin Sackor, while in the process of separating stone throwing supporters of the Collaborating Opposition Political parties and the Coalition for Democratic Change, during the violence which ensued on Wednesday, July 31, 2019.

The MOJ warns that anyone attacking the police and/or inciting individuals to attack the police will be arrested and duly prosecuted. “Consistent with the above, the MOJ has ordered the Liberia National Police to launch an immediate investigation into the violent incident of Wednesday, July 31, 2019, including attacks on the person of Deputy Inspector General Sackor. All Parties and person and persons of interest are urged to cooperate with the investigation.”

Physical Attack on Coleman



Mr. Gregory Coleman, head of the National Bureau of Concessions(NBC) had to be smuggled out of his office through the backdoor by way of a rarely-used gate of the compound of the Bureau as the main entrance and exit had been blocked to avoid the attack from his two deputies — Daddy Gibson, Deputy Director General for Administration (DDGA) and Nathaniel Bracewell, Deputy Director General for Concession (DDGC) on the bureau’s 19th street office.

In a related development, the MOJ also says it has taken cognizance of a complaint of threats, physical attack and felonious restraint file by the Director General of the National Bureau of Concessions, Hon. Gregory O.W. Coleman. The MOJ has directed the Liberia National Police to investigate the incident and report its findings the soonest.

Mr. Coleman was at the center of a major storm which escalated into a physical altercation with two of his deputies, who are said to be die-hard members of the ruling party.

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On Friday, President Weah, facing criticisms that he sanctioned the assault on Coleman took a decision to suspend the pair from the NBC.

NBC Pair Suspended Indefinitely

In a statement Friday, the Executive Mansion announced that the President has suspended with immediate effect two deputies at the National Bureau of Concession (NBC) for time indefinite. “Daddy Gibson, Deputy Director General for Administration and Nathaniel Bracewell, Deputy Director General for Concession at the National Bureau of Concession are suspended for Administrative misconduct.”

Their suspension was announced early Friday. Critics are however concerned that the President's action falling short of a dismissal could trigger more of such actions against others named on a purported blacklist making the rounds on Facebook, WhatsApp and in inboxes amongst Liberians both at home and abroad.

The attack on the LP headquarters this week marks the second success incident during a by-election.

District No. 13 Redux



A similar violent turn took place during the 2018 District No. 13 By-Elections leading to several persons being wounded. supporters of Cornelia Kruah-Togba, representing the tripartite arrangement between Unity Party, Liberty Party and the Alternative National Congress in the District No. 13 By-Elections came under attack from supporters of the ruling Coalition for Democratic Change led by Koijee.

Last November, similar clashes led to several being wounded when supporters of Cornelia Kruah-Togba, representing the tripartite arrangement between Unity Party, Liberty Party and the Alternative National Congress in the District No. 13 By-Elections came under attack from supporters of the ruling Coalition for Democratic Change led by Koijee.

Kruah was contesting the District 13 electoral seat on the Liberty Party ticket. She's the daughter of Liberia's Post and Telecommunication Minister, Cooper Kruah.

During that melee, Kojjee, Representative Solomon George and a team of militants who were to launch the campaign of the CDC candidate, John J. Weah, in Iron Factory, reportedly invaded the camp of Cornelia in Gardnersville where she was also having her campaign activities ongoing, thereby causing commotion.

Ms. Kruah filed a complaint to the LNP and an investigation was reportedly ordered but nothing has been heard of since.

An MOJ official speaking on condition of anonymity because he is not authorized to speak on the matter told FPA Saturday that Kruah did issue a complain but did not present a written one until recently.

<https://frontpageafricaonline.com/politics/liberia-probe-ordered-into-ruling-partisans-attack-on-police-deputy-trying-to-curb-opposition-election-victory-celebration/>

ANC Youth Descends On CDC Govt. -Wants Kojjee & ‘Sabu Unit’ Brought to Book

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Mr. n Myers, Chairman of the ANC Youth Congress *Kojjee and his group of CDC youths in a militant mood*

Calling on the National Security to contained violence of the Coalition of Democratic Change’s Jefferson Kojjee and the Sabu Unit of the Party, the leadership of the National Youth Congress of the Alternative National Congress (ANC) says “the dealings of President George Manneh Weah and nearly all officials of his government and institutions including Kojjee are so pervasively

marked by violence and corruption, to an extent where the CDC-led government resembles a criminal empire than a democratic government.”

The ANC’s National Youth Congress therefore calls on national security forces to go beyond partisanship and bring **Koijee** and his Sabu Unit to book, while telling them to be cognizant of the fact that millions of dollars from Liberia’s international partners was spent to professionalize the vital institutions they work for, noting, “This will boost the confidence Liberians have in state security institutions and proportionally decrease the growing tension in the country.

Addressing a press conference at the Headquarters of the of the ANC in Monrovia last Friday, August 16, the ANC Youth Wing Secretary General **Mulbah Kesselley** read the Youth Wing’s statement which frowned on what they considered “President George Manneh Weah’s support for attacks and violence against peaceful opposition supporters by his CDC men”, saying that “the wave of violence the ruling party has been perpetrating in the society is directly responsible for the degenerating state of affairs, fear and hopelessness in our country, particularly the decaying Liberian economy”.

The statement said the enviable success of governance achieved in Liberia by past government is under serious threat and maybe derailed by President Weah and his handful of “semi-educated, skilled-looters and self-seeking officials.”

The level of destructive violence, characteristic of **Jefferson Koijee**, and his reckless tendency to inflict harm, waste the blood of innocent women and children who are associated with the opposition bloc, as well as stack wounds on people he disagrees with, is heart wrecking, alarming, threatening, but not surprising, the group said.

“Jefferson Koijee lived with, and was trained in military gangsterism by Chucky Taylor, the brutal son of Liberia’s dictator Charles Taylor. Mr. Kesselley further said Koijee who lived most of his childhood life as lackey of Chucky, was Chucky’s car washer, janitor, and laundry man.

“Later, because of Koijee’s loyalty and proclivity to violence and cruelty to human beings, he was later promoted by Chucky as the chief custodian of arms and ammunition and other deadly substances in the possession of Chucky. As a killing apprentice of Chucky, **Koijee** often spearheaded most of the violence and torture of young girls,” the group alleged.

ANC Youth’s statement further said it was therefore no surprise but shocking that **Koijee**, on Wednesday, July 31, 2019, led a band of thugs, hoodlums, and hooligans to attack the Deputy Police Inspector General for Operations of the Liberia National Police, and launched a bloody unprovoked attack on peaceful partisans, members and well-wishers of the four Collaborating Political Parties who had gathered to celebrate the election of Senator Abraham Darius Dillon at the Liberty Party Headquarters.

“Till date, little or nothing has been done by George Weah’s state security apparatuses to bring **Koijee** and his men to book. President Weah is simply telling the nation that the likes of Koijee and others in his inner circle are beyond reproach, above the laws of the land, or are better than other Liberians,” the ANC Youth Wing said, noting that it was not Koijee’s first time to launch mob violence against opposition supporters.”

The statement recalled that in 2018 during the by-election in District 13 in Montserrado County, **Koijee** led a band of CDC-trained hoodlums to attack and wound opposition supporters, with impunity.

“Since Jefferson Koijee made a statement against Mrs. Jestina Taylor, a partisan of the Alternative National Congress, in which he attempted to draw Mr. Cummings, the lady has been facing some serious life-threatening medical complications. Interestingly, this is happening after she was taken by men alleged to be plain-clothes Liberian security officers to an unknown place and tortured,” the statement said.

The ANC Youth said the president’s support for attacks and violence against peaceful opposition supporters by his CDC men is directly responsible for the degenerating state of affairs, fear and hopelessness in our country, particularly the decaying Liberian economy. They pointed out that Liberians, who critique actions of the executive, provide directions that must be pursued for the good of the state, are now living in constant fear for their lives and those of their families – this is totally unacceptable.

“Our local and international partners must help to curb the increasing belligerence of the failing president and the warlike attitude of his gangsters led by Koijee, who now see the state as their personal property that they can abuse anyhow,” he said.

The group accentuated that while Liberia is mired in a crisis of poor governance caused by people who are focused on stealing from the country and attacking opponents, citizens are left neglected to die in abject poverty; rejected to perish in some of the world’s worst slums; dejected by the reckless abandonment of the man they once trusted with the presidency; and, sadly, Liberians have been denied a fair share in the distribution of the national cake.

The ANC Youth’s statement said the women down Waterside Market, Duala, Red-light and in other parts of Liberia are simply wishing that their president will stop living like a bluff-boy, while the rest of the country suffers from the menacing hands of poverty, insecurity, hike in the prices of commodities and services, depreciating value of the Liberian Dollar, etc.

They are of the opinion that all Liberians want is a government that will be concerned about changing the terrible condition of the economy, so that they can work hard and make ends meet for their families. Unfortunately, President Weah lacks the intellectual capacity to discern any solution to arrest the crumbling economy, much less the leadership ability to lead a country in search of

direction, and his team is largely incompetent to offer any serious help – most of them are focused on devising means to short-change the Liberian people.

Hear the ANC Youth, “The fathers who have no means to feed their families or send their children to school are not lazy. The mothers and young babies who are dying from curable and preventable diseases are Liberians just like Weah and the likes of Koijee. But while the value of the Liberian Dollar has depreciated to an all-time low, our president and his boys are focused on rigging an election in District 15. What will a representative who confessed to stealing do better than his head, George Weah? This is sad. This is despicable. This is wicked. And this is heartlessness that only Satan should do.”

The statement noted that despite poverty, intractable social problems, mind-boggling corruption and dire failures of planning and infrastructure, the Mayor of Monrovia sees wearing luxurious and expensive suits as a measure of the success of his office.

“Monrovia is not a place for the fainthearted. From the first wallop of steamy air on alighting from a plane, Monrovia is a plunge pool of intense exhilaration, jumbled with measures of shock, frustration, rage and boredom. A man like Koijee, who could not even afford to buy a wheelbarrow, can now purchase in live in a US\$250,000.00 home just 18 months after coming to power; just few months after \$16bn disappeared and \$25m squandered,” the ANC Youth statement said.

Liberians are living with worsening failure of their government to provide leadership and infrastructure, and so they have been coerced to adapt to living in despicable filthy conditions. The city is visual anarchy, with piles of uncollected trash, mountains of jumbled dirt, abandoned car skeletons, tires, and the list goes on. Filth par excellence, nastiness, per se, characterize many of our streets; dirt, stagnant water, puddles of scummy pestilential oozing’s can be seen in hundreds of localities, while smells strong enough to affect the heavens, and putrid enough to destroy a population, permeate the sanctities of our homes, and render uninhabitable whole blocks of our tenements.

The current political structure in Liberia, the ANC Youth said, is built on the foundation of corruption – its officials are recruited by measures of deceit, ethnocentrism, chicanery, etc. “And until this structure is theoretically, politically, legally, and psychologically dismantled, no fight against any societal vice in this country will ever succeed. The towering stance Liberians have taken to ensure that Weah is constantly reminded that Liberia belongs to every Liberian must never be abated”, they said.

<https://liberiananalyst.com/2019/08/21/anc-youth-descends-on-cdc-govt-wants-koijee-sabu-unit-brought-to-book/>

Abduction, Rape & Attempted Murder of Jestina Taylor – She alleged was carried out by Jefferson Kojee & Others

Below are YouTube videos of Jestina Taylor, a former CDC Press Officer publicly documenting her public criticism of President Weah and the subsequent abduction and unspeakable torture and attempted murder allegedly carried out by Jefferson T. Kojee and other assailants affiliated with the Liberian government:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iYX2ZpUNE_8&has_verified=1

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Drugged, Raped and Left for Dead

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Jestina on her sick bed: "I don't want the police here."

Under heavy police protection, no sign yet of an investigation of who might have wanted Jestina Taylor dead

Jestina Kumba Taylor Ghartey, the 48-year old woman who was attacked and drugged by some unknown men hours after she appeared in a live Facebook video, accusing the Monrovia City Mayor Jefferson Kojee of murder and knowledge of the whereabouts of a stash of weapons and ammunition, is lying in sick bed with her right leg paralyzed at the St. Joseph's Catholic Hospital. No investigation has established who may have harmed her to the point that she became unconscious at one time and now paralyzed. However, her being at the Catholic Hospital, which she says was not facilitated by the government, is characterized by unusual police presence that makes her afraid to even communicate with her relatives and friends who come to visit her.

At the Catholic Hospital compound, a female police officer is seen at the main entrance of the building and a male officer at another entry point inside. At the door of Jestina's private ward, there are three officers sitting and screening (questioning) those who come to visit Ms. Taylor. While in her room one of the officers is present to monitor activities of visitors.

Adama Dempster, Secretary of the Civil Society Human Rights Platform, said he does not mind seeing the police investigating the issue surrounding the attack on Jestina; however, he remains in defense for the victim because she needs protection as far as human rights protocols are concerned.

According to him, the surveillance of the police outside and inside her room at the hospital suggest more of an intent to monitor her conversations than to protect her for further danger.

“The police have not conducted any investigation into what caused me to be in this condition, but police officers are all here, even coming into my room and sitting all over in the room. I do not want them here; let them go and investigate what happened to me. I feel intimidated by their presence,” said Jestina in tears.

Jestina, who spoke to journalists on Monday, August 26, 2019 from her hospital bed, said she that, at around 2:00 a.m., she spotted four men, who she could not identify, loitering around her house. However, an elderly man from her community, who she did not name, told her that the men were officers of the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) who sometimes raid ghettos.

According to her, she went out to inquire further about the men and, in the process, she noticed that one of them injected her on the back, causing her to fall unconscious.

“The next day I remember we were near the sea, because the sound was close to us in the upstairs house that they took me in. The whole time they had masks on their faces and would take small, small needles from a cloth and juke [inject something into] me under my feet and I would get weak,” Jestina recounted.

In one instance, she said that when her attackers saw that the injection under her foot could not make her weak and unconscious right away, they injected her in the neck and on her left hand.

“One of them during this time said he wanted to have something to do with me, and they took a syringe and injected me on my hand as you can see the mark here. The only thing I knew was someone was having sex but, meanwhile, I cannot feel it,” she added.



Jestina, who allowed her medical record to be quoted, is recorded to have received “abrasions and multiple lacerations of the vagina” as a result of intercourse presumed to have been perpetrated by

the men. Doctors found “signs of needle pricks on her neck at the right side, under the breast and at the soles of her feet.” She was also diagnosed of trauma, two-degree assault, and drug intoxication. The drug tests performed on her showed positive of Benzodiazepines (BZO), Morphine (MOP 300) and Opiate (OPI 200), while she was diagnosed negative of Amphetamine (AMP), Cocaine and Marijuana (THC), respectively.

She recalls that the unidentified men planned the next day to “get rid” of her, and they tied her face with a black cloth indicating that she would be killed at any moment.

After a period of unconsciousness when she was injected, she said one of the men decided to help save her life, for “saving others through talks,” and when she regained her senses, she saw herself around Duazohn, behaving like a drunkard.

“I stopped a taxi and explained to the driver that I was not drunk, but that they injected me and I needed to go to the hospital. I gave the driver Costa’s number and that of my daughter, and he called both of them. That is how Costa told him to bring me to the hospital, who eventually paid my first hospital bill,” Jestina said in tears.

In order to do her lab to establish causes of problems affecting her, Jestina said Benoni Urey was one person who paid the US\$650 she was due to pay.

She could not explain exactly what went wrong that she was targeted by the unknown men and that, officers of the LNP will come to guard the hospital room where she is admitted.

However, she said, as a former member of the Congress for Democratic Change (CDC) who served as a Public Relations Officer for the Women’s Wing, she had advised partisans of the CDC at the National Elections Commission Headquarters, on August 16, 2019, to stop the violence and not see the CDC of today as CDC of yesterday, when they were in opposition.

“This is all I can remember talking,” she said, adding that after her remarks at the National Elections Commission (NEC) on August 17, she found herself in the condition that she cannot walk on her right leg anymore.

She said the doctor has advised her to be flown out of the country or she would lose her memory.

In a video recording at the NEC headquarters, Jestina is heard saying that **Jefferson Kojjee**, Thomas Fallah and Saah Joseph have their men led by ‘Mulbah Kesselly’ to kill her. She said “The opposition has your clip; everywhere you have your weapons we know it already, but because we don’t want the Liberian people to rise against you, this is why we do not want to expose you.”

She is heard accusing Monrovia City Mayor Jefferson Kojjee for being a part of the Liberian civil war assigned with Chuckie Taylor (also known as *Charles MacArthur Emmanuel*), the convicted and incarcerated son of ex-President of Liberia, Charles Ghanky Taylor. She alleged that Kojjee was responsible for the killing of a handicapped child born by a Mulatto woman for Chuckie Taylor.

In the video, she advised Police Inspector General Patrick Sudue to be careful because he is sitting on a “time bomb” and that he could be assassinated any time. She also confessed knowing more

about the history of the war and that she would feel comfortable testifying before an established United Nations backed tribunal for Liberia.

Jestina Taylor's allegations were followed by a press conference by Jefferson Koijee, wherein he distanced himself from the allegation and called for the establishment of a war crimes court, which his government has reneged on approving.

It was after her remarks that Jestina went missing the following morning and later found herself on a roadside in Duazohn, having been injected with narcotics.

<https://www.liberianobserver.com/news/drugged-raped-and-left-for-dead/>

Below are the medical records documenting the treatment of Jestina Taylor and the actions of her assailants, including rape!



RADIOLOGIST'S REPORT

NAME: TAYLOR JESTINA
AGE: 49YRS
SEX: FEMALE
HISTORY: CONVULSION, NECK, CHEST, LOWER BACK & PELVIC PAIN. AN
ATTACK ON HER
TYPE OF EXAM: CT SCAN OF THE THORACIC SPINE
DATE: 8/21/2019

FINDINGS

- Normal bony alignment, vertebral body heights, pedicles, laminae, transverse and s processes. Mild marginal osteophytosis is noted in the lower thoracic spine.
- The intervertebral discs are generally but mild herniations are noted at T2-3, T9-10
- The neural foraminae are normal in appearance.
- The spinal canal exhibits relative stenosis at the T2-3, T9-10 and T10-11 interverte levels.
- No facet joint disease noted.
- Normal paravertebral soft-tissues.

IMPRESSION

Mild thoracic spondylosis with relative canal stenosis due to mild posterior disc herniat described.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC HOSPITAL

REFERRAL SLIP

DATE August 24, 2019 TIME _____

NAME OF PATIENT Justina Taylor

AGE 48yrs SEX _____

SHORT HISTORY: she patient allegedly c/o pain, difficulty in walking, pain in the back. According to the patient she was taking pills with needles, on August 13, 2019 in the night and it

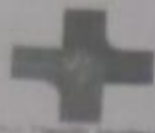
PHYSICAL FINDINGS Neck pain, difficulty in the neck, signs of needle pricks on the neck, the right side, under the breast, seeing signs at the soles of the feet.

DIAGNOSIS: 1. Trauma 2° Assault & UTI
2. Herniation of thoracic & lumbar discs
3. Abrasions and Multiple lacerations
4. Drugs intoxication.

TREATMENT GIVEN IV fluids (N/S & R/L), Ceftriaxone, Flagyl & gentamicin ~~intra~~ intravenous ~~slatches~~ intravenous diazepam (dilute) 250% IV. Orally: Ibuprofen and Aceta

REASON FOR REFERRAL

Adequate Neurologic Management
Adequate Orthopedic Management



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RADIOLOGIST'S REPORT

NAME: TAYLOR JESTINA

AGE: 49YRS

SEX: FEMALE

HISTORY: CONVULSION, NECK, CHEST, LOWER BACK & PELVIC PAIN
ATTACK ON HER

TYPE OF EXAM: CT SCAN OF THE LUMBAR SPINE

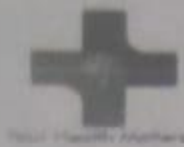
DATE: 8/21/2019

FINDINGS

- Normal bony alignment, vertebral body heights, pedicles, laminae, transverse and spinous processes. Mild marginal osteophytosis noted.
- The intervertebral discs exhibit mild posterior herniations from L3-4 to L5-S1.
- The neural foraminae exhibit bilateral stenosis at L4 & L5.
- The spinal canal exhibits relative stenosis from the L3-4 to L5-S1 intervertebral disc levels.
- No facet joint disease noted.
- Normal paravertebral soft-tissues.

IMPRESSION

Mild lumbar spondylosis with relative spinal canal and neural foraminal stenosis due to intervertebral disc herniations as described.



RADIOLOGIST'S REPORT

NAME: TAYLOR JESTINA
AGE: 49YRS
SEX: FEMALE
HISTORY: CONVULSION, NECK, CHEST, LOWER BACK & PELVIC PAIN
ATTACK ON HER
TYPE OF EXAM: CT SCAN OF THE CERVICAL SPINE
DATE: 8/21/2019

FINDINGS

- Normal bony alignment, vertebral body heights, pedicles, laminae, transverse processes.
- The intervertebral discs show no significant posterior herniations.
- The neural foraminae are normal in appearance.
- The spinal canal is normal and without significant stenosis.
- Normal paravertebral soft-tissues.

IMPRESSION

Normal CT-scan of the cervical spine.



RADIOLOGIST'S REPORT

NAME: TAYLOR JESTINA

AGE: 49YRS

SEX: FEMALE

HISTORY: CONVULSION, NECK, CHEST, LOWER BACK & PELVIC PAIN
ATTACK ON HER

TYPE OF EXAM: CT SCAN OF THE PELVIS

DATE: 8/21/2019

FINDINGS

Serial axial and reconstructed sagittal and coronal, pre-contrast CT scan images of contrast in the bowel lumen) show the distended urinary bladder is normal in appearance masses or wall abnormalities. The uterus is slightly enlarged measuring (8.1x6.7x4.8 circumscribed, cystic, adnexal lesions suggestive of ovarian cysts, and a tubular, right, to hydrosalpinx. No suspicious pelvic lymphadenopathy, masses or bone lesion seen.

IMPRESSION:

1. Slightly bulky uterus.
2. Bilateral cystic pelvic lesions ? due to bilateral ovarian cysts and right hydrosalpinx.
3. Ultrasonography is recommended for further evaluation.



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RADIOLOGIST'S REPORT

NAME: TAYLOR JESTINA

AGE: 49YRS

SEX: FEMALE

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TYPE OF EXAM: HEAD CT SCAN

DATE: 8/21/2019

FINDINGS

Serial axial (coronal and sagittal reconstruction) pre- and post-contrast CT scan image normal brain parenchyma, gyri, sulci and ventricles. Grey/white matter differentiation. No midline shift or hydrocephalus seen. No focal mass noted. Normal meningeal space. The cerebellum, pons, medulla, midbrain, pituitary gland, basal cisterns, orbits, mastoid and scalp and vault all appear normal. No facial bone fractures noted. Normal paranasal s

IMPRESSION

Normal brain CT scan.

X-RAY FILM
PLEASE DO NOT BEND







I.D. Number: 154780

Patient's Name: JESTINA TAYLOR Age: 49Y

Examination: BRAIN, CERVICAL + THORACIC + LUMBAR

Medical Officer (please print in block letters): MOS

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Liberia: Kojee Dispels Allegation of Being Chucky Taylor Associate

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Mayor Jefferson Koijee

Monrovia – Jefferson T. Koijee, City Mayor of Monrovia, has dispelled allegation linking him to Chucky Taylor, the jailed son of former Liberian leader Charles Taylor.

In recent days, there has been a video of a lady making rounds on social media (Facebook) alleging that Koijee was assigned to Chucky Taylor.

Speaking to journalists at the Monrovia City Hall Thursday, August 15, Koijee called on National Security actors to invite the lady who has made the allegation to substantiate what he termed as “unfounded allegations” against me.

According to Mayor Koijee, the lady making the allegation in the video is a member of one of the opposition political party, Alternative National Congress (ANC).

He then called on ANC’s political leader Alexander Cumming and the entire party to distance themselves from the lady who is making the allegation.

“I have no relationship with any warring factions lest to mention participating in one,” Koijee said.

Mayor Koijee added: “During our civil unrest, I was just a kid who knew nothing about killing a chicken lest to say human being.”

He continues: “At no point in time do I have any relationship with Chucky Taylor; he does not even know me.”

According to Mayor Koijee, his political life can only be traced during the Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf regime.

“My history as a young advocate can speak for me. Check the records; I have no regret of standing up to Madam Sirleaf for the past twelve years”.

Koijee added: “We have assembled our lawyers to take this unfounded allegation to the letter.”

Koijee Congratulates Dillon

Meanwhile, Mayor Koijee has congratulated the winner of the just-ended Montserrado County by-election Abraham Darius Dillon.

Dillon won the Coalition for Democratic Change’s candidate Paulita C.C. Wie after a heavily challenging campaign.

“We want to officially congratulate Abraham Darius Dillon on his victory. I think we did politics, we engaged him and that he put out a better fight and put out his case. And we want to say to our people you have spoken loud and clear,” Koijee said.

He added: “We say thank you because the way you have spoken have provided the opportunities for us as leaders and all we can do is to hear you and readjust the way we conduct our activities.” Mayor Koijee continues: “We want to assure you that you are our people and we cannot disappoint you. There are lots of challenges we are confronted with and we want to say to you that make no mistake we will never forsake you.”

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4. Recommendation for Global Magnitsky Sanctions for Jefferson Koijee

In 2018 the Mayor of Monrovia City was appointed by President George M. Weah, confirmed by the Liberian Senate and takes orders directly from the President.

As demonstrated through these individual cases, the Mayor of Jefferson Koijee, who was appointed by President Weah and works directly on his behalf has engaged in a pattern and regular practice of human rights abuses in Liberia over an extended period of time, including routinely for almost the past two years. The pattern shows that individuals are arrested and brought to the CDC HQ, where they are tortured for a number of hours or days, exceeding multiple months in some cases. The torture inflicted by Koijee and members of the government and political affiliates of the CDC has regularly included severe beatings, sleep deprivation, threats to family members, withholding food and water, forced standing and other stress positions, exposure to and other serious abuse. These incidents have been chronicled by the news media and personal accounts of victims involved. Detainees are most often tortured for the purpose of being affiliated with the opposition or simply speaking out against the President.

Jefferson Koijee, who is being recommended for sanction in this submission is currently a high-ranking officer within the Government of Liberia. As required for designation under Executive Order 13818, the individual perpetrator named in this submission is or has been a leader or official of a governmental entity that has engaged in and whose members have engaged in serious human rights abuses. Moreover, the evidence discussed in this submission confirms that there is a pattern and practice of human rights abuse by Jefferson Koijee that could exist only if condoned by officials at all levels of authority, including the President. Due to the widespread and regular nature of these abuses, and the fact that these incidents of torture have been well known and documented and have occurred repeatedly for a period of nearly two We submit that Jefferson Koijee is recommended for sanctions, as he was knowingly complicit in, and knows or should know that the government entities they have led, or their subordinates within those entities, have been engaged in ongoing human rights abuses. Furthermore, the named individuals failed to take necessary measures to halt the abuses or to investigate them in a genuine effort to impose punishment on the perpetrators. As such, we recommend that Jefferson Koijee be included on the Global Magnitsky sanctions list.

It is in the U.S. government's interest to ensure that torture and other prohibited forms of ill treatment will not go unnoticed or unpunished. The continuous Koijee abuses are well known and well documented. The designation of one or more high ranking individuals within the Government of Liberia would demonstrate the commitment and leadership of the United States to holding human rights violators accountable and ensuring that criminal convictions against individuals are aligned with international standards of fair trial rights.

These designations are aligned with the aims set out in Executive Order 13818, in which the President articulated a finding that human rights abuses outside the United States "undermine the values that form an essential foundation of stable, secure, and functioning societies" and "degrade the rule of law." While torture for any purpose is a threat to "international political and economic systems," torture for the purpose of coercing confessions is an even greater danger as

it degrades confidence in the rule of law. Discarding the rule of law is a threat to global peace and security when practiced by our enemies but an even greater threat when openly tolerated by our allies. Notwithstanding the Government of Liberia's cooperation with the United States on regional security initiatives, the Government of Liberia is clearly engaged in systematic and widespread human rights abuses, which are undoubtedly the type of activity the President intended to target in issuing Executive Order 13818. To overlook such blatant and well documented abuses by the Government of Liberia and specifically Jefferson Kojee could call into question the sincerity of the United States' commitment to the principles of the Magnitsky sanction regime and the earnestness with which the United States is employing these sanctions. Kojee's designation would send a bold message that the United States does not employ the Magnitsky act as a method of impugning our adversaries but will hold even our closest allies to account when it comes to serious human rights abuses.

We are not aware of any contradictory, countervailing, or exculpatory evidence concerning the alleged responsibility of Mayor Jefferson Kojee and his collaborators acts of torture committed by him and members under his command. While the Government of Liberia has routinely denied that members of his government commit torture, we find these claims lack credibility given the extensive documentation of such acts by credible bodies, as referenced throughout this submission.