

BLOCKING PROPERTY OF CERTAIN PERSONS AND
PROHIBITING THE IMPORTATION OF CERTAIN
GOODS FROM LIBERIA

MESSAGE

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A DECLARATION OF A NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO
THE THREAT TO THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES
CONSTITUTED BY CERTAIN ACTIONS, POLICIES, AND CIR-
CUMSTANCES WITH RESPECT TO LIBERIA, PURSUANT TO 50
U.S.C. 1703(b) 50 U.S.C. 1631



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THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, July 23, 2004.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Consistent with subsection 204(b) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(b) (IEEPA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order (the "order") in which, in view of United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1521 of December 22, 2003, and 1532 of March 12, 2004, I declared a national emergency with respect to the threat to the foreign policy of the United States constituted by certain actions, policies, and circumstances with respect to Liberia. These actions, policies, and circumstances include the undermining of Liberia's transition to democracy and the orderly development of its political, administrative, and economic institutions and resources by former Liberian President Charles Taylor and other persons, in particular their unlawful depletion of Liberian resources and their removal from Liberia and secreting of Liberian funds and property. These actions, policies, and circumstances also include the lack of universal implementation throughout Liberia of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement signed on August 18, 2003, and the related ceasefire. Finally, these actions, policies, and circumstances include the link between the illicit trade in round logs and timber products and the proliferation of and trafficking in illegal arms, which perpetuate the Liberian conflict and fuel and exacerbate other conflicts throughout West Africa.

To address this threat, I ordered that, except to the extent provided in section 203(b)(1), (3), and (4) of IEEPA (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(1), (3), and (4)), or regulations, orders, directives, or licenses that may be issued pursuant to the order, all property and interests in property of the persons listed in the annex to the order or any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to meet the criteria set forth in section 1(a)(ii) of the order, are blocked. I further ordered that, except to the extent provided in regulations, orders, directives, or licenses that may be issued pursuant to the order, the direct or indirect importation into the United States of any round log or timber product originating in Liberia is prohibited.

I have enclosed a copy of the order, which became effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on July 23, 2004.

Sincerely,

GEORGE W. BUSH.

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BLOCKING PROPERTY OF CERTAIN PERSONS AND PROHIBITING THE IMPORTATION OF CERTAIN GOODS FROM LIBERIA

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (IEEPA), the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) (NEA), section 5 of the United Nations Participation Act, as amended (22 U.S.C. 287c) (UNPA), and section 301 of title 3, United States Code, and in view of United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1521 of December 22, 2003, and 1532 of March 12, 2004.

I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, note that the actions and policies of former Liberian President Charles Taylor and other persons, in particular their unlawful depletion of Liberian resources and their removal from Liberia and secreting of Liberian funds and property, have undermined Liberia's transition to democracy and the orderly development of its political, administrative, and economic institutions and resources. I further note that the Comprehensive Peace Agreement signed on August 18, 2003, and the related ceasefire have not yet been universally implemented throughout Liberia, and that the illicit trade in round logs and timber products is linked to the proliferation of and trafficking in illegal arms, which perpetuate the Liberian conflict and fuel and exacerbate other conflicts throughout West Africa. I find that the actions, policies, and circumstances described above constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States and hereby declare a national emergency to deal with that threat. To address that threat, I hereby order:

Section 1. (a) Except to the extent provided in section 203(b)(1), (3), and (4) of IEEPA (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(1), (3), and (4)), or regulations, orders, directives, or licenses that may be issued pursuant to this order, and notwithstanding any contract entered into or any license or permit granted prior to the effective date of this order, all property and interests in property of the following persons, that are in the United States, that hereafter come within the United States, or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of United States persons, are blocked and may not be transferred, paid, exported, withdrawn, or otherwise dealt in:

- (i) the persons listed in the Annex to this order; and
- (ii) any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State:
 - (A) to be or have been an immediate family member of Charles Taylor;

(B) to have been a senior official of the former Liberian regime headed by Charles Taylor or otherwise to have been or be a close ally or associate of Charles Taylor or the former Liberian regime;

(C) to have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services in support of, the unlawful depletion of Liberian resources, the removal of Liberian resources from that country, and the secreting of Liberian funds and property by any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this order; or

(D) to be owned or controlled by, or acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this order.

(b) I hereby determine that the making of donations of the type of articles specified in section 203(b)(2) of IEEPA (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(2)) by, to, or for the benefit of, any person whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section would seriously impair my ability to deal with the national emergency declared in this order, and I hereby prohibit such donations as provided by paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) The prohibitions in paragraph (a) of this section include, but are not limited to,

(i) the making of any contribution or provision of funds, goods, or services by, to, or for the benefit of, any person whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to this order, and

(ii) the receipt of any contribution or provision of funds, goods, or services from any such person.

Sec. 2. Except to the extent provided in regulations, orders, directives, or licenses that may be issued pursuant to this order, and notwithstanding any contract entered into or any license or permit granted prior to the effective date of this order, the direct or indirect importation into the United States of any round log or timber product originating in Liberia is prohibited.

Sec. 3. (a) Any transaction by a United States person or within the United States that evades or avoids, has the purpose of evading or avoiding, or attempts to violate any of the prohibitions set forth in this order is prohibited.

(b) Any conspiracy formed to violate any of the prohibitions set forth in this order is prohibited.

Sec. 4. For purposes of this order:

(a) the term “person” means an individual or entity;

(b) the term “entity” means a partnership, association, trust, joint venture, corporation, group, subgroup, or other organization;

(c) the term “United States person” means any United States citizen, permanent resident alien, entity organized under the laws of the United States or any jurisdiction within the United States (including foreign branches), or any person in the United States; and

(d) the term “round log or timber product” means any product classifiable in Chapter 44 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States.

Sec. 5. For those persons whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to section 1 of this order who might have a constitutional presence in the United States, I find that because of the ability to transfer funds or other assets instantaneously, prior notice to such persons of measures to be taken pursuant to this order would render these measures ineffectual. I therefore determine that for these measures to be effective in addressing the national emergency declared in this order, there need be no prior notice of a listing or determination made pursuant to section 1 of this order.

Sec. 6. The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is hereby authorized to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all powers granted to the President by IEEPA and UNPA as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this order. The Secretary of the Treasury may redelegate any of these functions to other officers and agencies of the United States Government, consistent with applicable law. All agencies of the United States Government are hereby directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of this order and, where appropriate, to advise the Secretary of the Treasury in a timely manner of the measures taken.

Sec. 7. The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is hereby authorized to submit the recurring and final reports to the Congress on the national emergency declared in this order, consistent with section 401(c) of NEA, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of IEEPA, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c).

Sec. 8. The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is hereby authorized to determine, subsequent to the issuance of this order, that circumstances no longer warrant the inclusion of a person in the Annex to this order and that the property and interests in property of that person are therefore no longer blocked pursuant to section 1 of this order.

Sec. 9. This order is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, instrumentalities, or entities, its officers or employees, or any other person.

Sec. 10. This order is effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on July 23, 2004.

Sec. 11. This order shall be transmitted to the Congress and published in the *Federal Register*.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *July 22, 2004.*

ANNEX

1. Allen, Cyril. DOB: 26 Jul. 1952. Former Chairman, National Patriotic Party; nationality Liberian; alt. nationality Nigerian.

2. Bout, Viktor Anatolijevitch; aka Butt; aka Bont; aka Butte; aka Boutov; aka Sergitov, Vitali. DOB: 13 Jan. 1967; alt. DOB: 13 Jan. 1970. Businessman, dealer and transporter of weapons and minerals; Passport No. 21N0532664; alt. Passport No. 29N0006765; alt. Passport No. 21N0557148; alt. Passport No. 44N3570350.

3. Bright, Charles R. DOB: 29 Aug. 1948. Former Minister of Finance.
4. Cisse, M. Moussa; aka Kamara, Mamadee. DOB: 24 Dec. 1946; alt. DOB: 26 June 1944. Former Chief of Presidential Protocol; Chairman, Mohammed Group of Companies; Diplomatic Passport No. D-001548-99 <Liberia>; Passport No. 0058070 <Liberia>.
5. Cooper, Randolph. DOB: 28 Oct. 1950. Former Managing Director, Roberts Intl. Airport.
6. Darrah, Kaddieyatu; aka Darah, Kadiyatu; aka Dara, Kaddieyatu; aka Dara, Kadiyatu. Special Assistant to Charles Taylor.
7. Dunbar, Belle Y. DOB: 27 Oct. 1967; alt. DOB: 27 Oct. 1963. Former Managing Director, Liberian Petroleum Refining Company.
8. Dunbar, Jenkins. DOB: 10 Jan. 1947. Former Minister of Lands, Mines, Energy.
9. Fawas, Abbas. President, Maryland Wood Processing Industries; President, United Logging Company; nationality Lebanese.
10. Gibson, Myrtle. DOB: 03 Nov. 1952. Former Senator; advisor to Charles Taylor.
11. Goodridge, Reginald B. (Senior); aka Goodrich, Reginald B. (Senior). DOB: 11 Nov. 1952. Former Minister for Culture, Information, Tourism.
12. Jobe, Baba. Director, Gambia New Millennium Air Company; Member of Parliament of Gambia, nationality Gambian.
13. Kiia Tai, Joseph Wong. Executive, Oriental Timber Company.
14. Kleilat, Ali. DOB: 10 July 1970; POB: Beirut Lebanon; nationality Lebanese Businessman.
15. Kouwenhoven, Gus; aka Kouvenhoven, Gus; aka Kouenhoven, Gus; aka Kouenhaven, Gus. DOB: 15 Sept. 1942; nationality Dutch. President, Oriental Timber Company; Owner, Hotel Africa; Villa #1, Hotel Africa Virginia, Monrovia, Liberia; P.O. Box 1522, Monrovia, Liberia.
16. Minin, Leonid; aka Blavstein; aka Blyuvshtein; aka Blyafshtein; aka Bluvshstein; aka Blyufshtein; aka Kerler, Vladimir Abramovich; aka Popiloveski, Vladimir Abramovich; aka Popelaveski, Vladimir Abramovich; aka Popeloveski, Vladimir Abramovich; aka Popela, Vladimir Abramovich; aka Popelo, Vladimir Abramovich; aka Breslan, Wolf; aka Breslan, Wulf; aka Osols, Igor. DOB: 14 Dec 1947; alt. DOB: 18 Oct. 1946; Owner, Exotic Tropical Timber Enterprise; nationality Ukrainian; Passport No. 5280007248D <Germany>; alt. Passport No. 18106739D <Germany>; Passport No. 6019832 (6/11/94-5/11/99) <Israel>; alt. Passport No. 9001689 (23/1/97-22/1/02) <Israel>; alt. Passport No. 90109052 (26/11/97) <Israel>; Passport No. KI0861177 <Russia>; Passport No. 65118 <Bolivia>.
17. Nasr, Samir M.; aka Ruprah, Sanjivan. DOB: 09 Aug. 1966. Businessman; Former Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Maritime Affairs; Passport No. D-001829-00 <Liberia>; nationality Kenyan.
18. Neal, Juanita. DOB: 09 May 1947. Former Deputy Minister of Finance.
19. Salami, Mohamed Ahmad; aka Salame, Mohamed Ahmad. DOB 22 Sept. 1961. Owner, Mohamed Group of Companies; Taylor's informal diplomatic representative; nationality Lebanese
20. Sankoh, Foday. Deceased.

21. Shaw, Emmanuel (II). DOB: 26 July 1946; alt. DOB: 26 July 1956; alt. DOB: 29 July 1956. Advisor to Charles Taylor.

22. Taylor, Charles Ghankay; aka Taylor, Charles MacArthur; aka Some, Jean-Paul; aka Sone, Jean-Paul. DOB: 01 Sept. 1947. Former President of Liberia.

23. Taylor, Charles (Junior); aka "Chuckie". DOB: 12 Feb. 1978. Advisor and son of former President Taylor.

24. Taylor, Tupee Enid. DOB: 17 Dec. 1962. Ex-wife of former President Taylor.

25. Reeves-Taylor, Agnes; aka Taylor, Agnes Reeves; aka Reeves-Taylor. DOB: 27 Sept. 1965. Ex-wife of former President Taylor; ex-Permanent Representative to the International Maritime Organization; nationality Liberian.

26. Taylor, Jewell Howard. DOB: 17 Jan. 1963. Wife of former President Taylor.

27. Urey, Benoni. DOB: 22 June 1957. Former Commissioner of Maritime Affairs; Diplomatic Passport No. D-00148399 <Liberia>.

28. Yeaton, Benjamin; aka Yeaten, Benjamin. Former Director, Special Security Services; Diplomatic Passport No. D-00123299 <Liberia>.

Note: The identifying information with respect to each person listed in this Annex reflects information currently available and is provided solely to facilitate compliance with this order. Each individual listed in this Annex remains subject to the prohibitions of this order notwithstanding any change in title, position, or affiliation.