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Hon George K. Werner Minister Ministry of Education Republic of Liberia

Dear Hon Werner:

Compliments and best wishes come to you from the National Executive Committee and Secretariat of NTAL.

At the outset we must express our deep opposition to any moves that would result in the outsourcing and privatization of education in Liberia. In relation to the government's proposed Public-Private Partnership, and the process that has brought us to this point, we must express our disappointment with the lack of transparency and haste in relation to actions taken to date. It is our opinion that a decision that affects the future of Liberia needed to be taken after a National Consultative Meeting with all relevant stakeholders in education.

We are therefore requesting the Government of Liberia through your honorable office to suspend any further action in relation to this matter and commit to a national consultative process across the country so that every citizen can contribute towards the development and implementation of sound policy aimed at improving educational opportunity and outcomes for all children.

As you are aware, the revised Education Act of August 8, 2011 calls for free and compulsory education in Liberia. With the Strategic Plan designed by MoE, we request that we use the Four-Year Strategic Plan for Education as a working tool to improve the quality of teaching and learning in Liberia.

In the cause of quality, affordable and reliable education, we remain.

Best regards.

Very respectfully yours,

Samuel Y. Johnson, Sr. Secretary General-NTAL

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