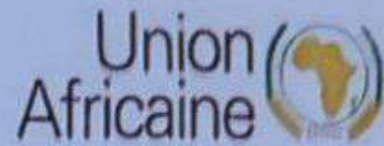




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**JOINT PRESS STATEMENT BY THE ECOWAS COMMISSION AND THE AFRICAN UNION
COMMISSION ELECTION OBSERVATION MISSIONS TO
THE 2023 GENERAL ELECTIONS IN LIBERIA**

The Election Observation Missions of ECOWAS and the African Union have been observing and following with keen interest the electoral process and the events leading to the 10th October 2023 General Elections.

The ECOWAS and AU Missions call on all stakeholders to preserve the peace and stability of Liberia before, during, and after the elections. They urge political parties, candidates and their supporters to be guided by the spirit of national unity, peace and stability, and adhere to the expressed commitments made within the framework of the Revised Farmington River Declaration. They call on the security forces to remain apolitical and professional in the discharge of their duties towards all citizens, cognizant of the rights of all under the constitution of Liberia.

The two Missions also encourage the National Elections Commission (NEC) to continue to exhibit impartiality and fairness in the execution of its mandate, in the greater interest of all Liberians. Citizens and civil society groups are urged to sustain the initiatives aimed at promoting peaceful elections and national cohesion.

The ECOWAS and AU Missions will continue to avail their good offices to all stakeholders in the electoral process to ensure that the polls are conducted in a peaceful environment and in conformity with national, regional, and international standards.

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