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## LRA Honors Departing IMF Consultant



*Assistant Commissioner for Large Tax Andrew Pope gowning a smiling Joseph*

(Monrovia, January 17, 2019): The Liberia Revenue Authority (LRA) has applauded and honored an outgoing IMF consultant Joseph Christopher Musumba Mwogeza for his professional services rendered Liberia through the Authority to impact the collection of lawful revenue in the country.

Mr. Mwogeza, seconded by the IMF, has been working with the LRA for over three years, particularly with the Large Tax Division in the Domestic Tax Department, building the capacity of staff in strengthening compliance.

At a farewell and gowning ceremony Tuesday in Paynesville City, Deputy LRA Commissioner General for Technical Affairs Decontee T. King-Sackie thanked Mr. Mwogeza especially for building the capacity of staff of the Authority during his three-year period at the LRA.

The DCGTA used the moment to express gratitude to the IMF Family for the continuous contributions towards particularly the growth and development of the LRA and Liberia in general.

Commissioner King-Sackie urged staff of the LRA, specifically those of the Large Tax Division of the Domestic Tax Department to utilize the knowledge gained from Mr. Mwogeza over the years. "It is my hope and prayer that the knowledge we all gained from Joseph, will not die with his departure," the DCGTA said.

Assistant Commissioner for Large Tax Andrew Pope, in remarks, said Mr. Mwogeza worked directly impacted the Large Tax Division and it is against the backdrop the division decided to gown the consultant as a means of showing gratitude.

"According to our own tradition it's mandatory for us to show some sign of appreciation to a stranger whenever he's leaving based on his contribution to our society", he added.



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In response, the honoree thanked the entire staff and employees of the LRA for the cordial working relationship and best exchanges during his stay.

He admonished staff to push further and improve their skills, noting that as there are more talented and professional people working within the LRA, there is also a need to create more avenues for them to develop their potentials.

“I want to see more Joseph from this group that will even do better than I can,” adding, “keep pushing and thanks for your full cooperation during the time I worked with you.”