

Official Program of Symposium On

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Theme

“Accelerating African Unity, Peace & Progress Through Understanding of
Traditional African Governmental Structures And Practices”

Venue

McNair Auditorium, NC A& T State University, Greensboro

Date & Time

April 26, 2003 from 9:00 A.M.-4:30 P.M.

Moderator

Dr. D. Elwood Dunn
Professor of Political Science & Departmental Chair, University of the
South, TN

Part I

(Breakfast)

8:00 – 8:30 A.M.

8:00 — McNair Auditorium Breakroom

Part II

(Registration and Official Opening in McNair Auditorium)

8:30 – 9:00 A.M.

8:35 — Registration of Participants and Guests

9:05 A.M-9:30 A.M.

9:05 — Official Opening of Symposium (Masters of Ceremony)

9:10 — Invocation (Rev. Dr. Marcus Tillery, Chairperson, Dept. of Manufacturing, School of Technology, NC A& T State University)

9:15 — Welcome Remarks: Dr. Janice Gilyard Brewington, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor, Institutional Research & Planning, NC A&T State University)

9:25 — Introduction and Overview of Symposium (Nat Galarea Gbessagee, Journalist & Writer, & Coordinator, Symposium Organizing Committee)

9:35 — Recognition of Panelists, Participating Institutions & Guests

9:45 — Introduction of Keynote Speaker Mrs. Mydea Reaves-Karpeh

9:50-10:20 A.M

Keynote Address — **The Bassa Leadership Model**

Hon. Joseph M.N. Gbadyu, Bassa Historian & former Deputy
Minister of Local Government, Republic of Liberia

10:25-10:55 A.M.

Overview of “**Nyanyan Gohn Manan: History, Migration & Government of the Bassa,**” the book of choice for symposium theme —Dr. Syrulwa Somah, Author, Lead Symposium Organizer, & Faculty Member of NC A&T State University

Part III

(Presentation & Discussion of Symposium Topics -- Presenters, Moderator & Audience)

11:00AM – 12:30 P.M.

11:00: — Overview of symposium topics & Protocol
Dr. D. Elwood Dunn, Moderator

11:10-11:40: — **The Influence of Religion in African Governance, Social Order & Justice**
Dr. Pianapue K. Early, Campus Minister, Norfolk State University, Virginia

11:45-12:15 — **The Role of Women in Agricultural Development in Africa**
Mrs. Mary Mafuyai-Ekanem, Extension Agricultural Economist, NC A&T State U.

12:20-1:20 — **Lunch Break** (McNair Auditorium Breakroom)

Part IV

(Presentation/Discussion of Symposium Topics Continued – Presenters, Moderator & Audience)

1:30-2:00 — **The Impact Of Colonization On The African System Of Government**
Dr. Fuabeh Fonge, Professor of History, History Department, NC A&T State U.

2:05-2:35 — **Non-Partyism As A Tool Of African Leadership And Education**
Mr. Tarty The, Political Analyst/Writer

2:40-3:10 — **The Roles of African Women in Societal Development**
Dr. Mariah Y. Seton, Independent Education Consultant

3:15-3:45 — **The Role of Military Governments in Africa’s Quest for National Development**
Mr. Siahyonkron Nyanseor, Chairman of the Liberia Democratic Future (LDF),
& Publisher, The Perspective Online Magazine

3:50-4:10 —

4:20-4:35 Special Remarks

4:36-4:45 Vote of Thanks/AnnouncementMarvin Dickerson,
Chairman, Organizing Committee

Part IV

(Soccer Match)

5:00-6:45 Club Bassa Vs LF Soccer Club (Aggie Practice field remains a construction site and parking is limited to Sullivan Street).