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CURRICULUM VITAE

PROFESSOR NATHANIEL V. MASSAQUOI
(Liberia)

Knight Commander of the Humane Order of African Redemption.

Born 13 June 1905. He obtained his elementary and high school education in Monrovia, Liberia (College of West Africa).

Attended Oberrealschule in Eimsbuettel, Hamburg, where he passed the German ARBITUR. Then studied mathematics and physics at the Hamburg University and the Technical University of Berlin-Charlottenburg and philosophy at the Friedrich Wilhelm University, Berlin, Germany.

He taught maths and physics at high schools in Sierra Leone and Liberia and later became professor of mathematics, psychology and social sciences at Liberia College (now University of Liberia) during which time he qualified as Attorney-at-law, and was called to the legal Bar of Montserrado County, Republic of Liberia.

From 1936 to 1937 he was co-founder and managing editor of the weekly news organ "FORWARD".

He practised law as partner in the law firm of "Tamba and Massaquoi", and became judge of District Courts of Monrovia and Bondiway in Liberia until 1950 when he was appointed member of the Liberian delegation to the fifth session of the General Conference of Unesco in Florence, Italy.

He has since served as Chairman of the delegation of Liberia to the sixth, seventh and second (extraordinary) sessions of the General Conference of Unesco and was Chairman of the delegation of Liberia to the Intergovernmental Copyright Conference in Geneva, Switzerland 1952, where he signed the Universal Copyright Convention for Liberia. In 1952 he was a delegate to the Seventh Session of the World Federation of United Nations Association Assembly in Geneva.

He is - (a) Member of the Executive Board of Unesco - elected at the second extraordinary session July 1953 to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Ribnikar of Yugoslavia;

(b) Chairman of the Liberian National Commission for Unesco.

(c) Member of the International Advisory Committee on Education for Living in a World Community.

(d) Founder and Chairman of the Council of the Liberian United Nations Association under whose auspices he organized and directed the First West African Seminar on Teaching about Human Rights and the United Nations in April 1953.

(e) Member of the International African Institute (London).

(f) One of the Vice-Presidents of the General Conference of Unesco, representing Liberia since 1952.

Since January 1952 he has served as Assistant Secretary of Public Instruction of Liberia, Chairman of the Co-ordination Board for Technical Assistance of the United Nations and Specialized Agencies in Liberia, and Co-Director of the Joint Unesco-Liberia Education Project (JULEP).

PUBLICATIONS

- (1) Mutability versus Dogmatism, 1937, Department of State Press, Monrovia.
- (2) Co-author of "General Science for Liberian High Schools" by Kreiken and Massaquoi, Versluys Verlag, Amsterdam, 1952.
- (3) "Physics for Liberian High Schools" by Kreiken and Massaquoi, Versluys Verlag, Amsterdam, 1952.