

Black History Month USA Salutes President Obiang

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, February 13, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- H.E. Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of Equatorial Guinea and Founder of Party Democratic Guinea Ecuatorial ([PDGE](#)) has been chosen as the first honoree for Black History Month USA ([BHmonthUSA](#)). An award ceremony is slated for later this year in Oyala (also known as Djibloho), a city that is being built to serve as the capital of Equatorial Guinea.



President Obiang greets members of Party Democratic Guinea Ecuatorial.

President Obiang has demonstrated exemplary humanity, vision, leadership and has transformed a once neglected country into the gateway for Central Africa through the Horizonte 2020 Plan. The Horizon 2020 Plan, set in motion by President Obiang in 2007, has five major goals: Invest in strengthening economic growth; Strengthen the development of structured investments; Promote and strengthen the development of social policy actions; Ensure a transparent social climate; Develop the prospects for better monitoring and evaluation of poverty and living conditions of households.

Among other things, The Head of State was also a leading supporter for the first African-American to row across the Atlantic Ocean from Africa to New York's Brooklyn Bridge.

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The origins of Black History Month date back to 1926, when a historian named Carter G. Woodson spearheaded Negro History Week. The first Negro History Week brought together historians and public school teachers, business leaders and educators, church leaders and lay people in a week-long celebration of the accomplishments of blacks in the United States.

The Republic of Equatorial Guinea (República de Guinea Ecuatorial) is the only Spanish-speaking country in Africa, and one of the smallest nations on the continent. In the late-1990s, American companies helped discover the country's oil and natural gas resources, which only within the last five years began contributing to the global energy supply. Equatorial Guinea is now working to serve as a

pillar of stability and security in its region of West Central Africa. The country has also transformed into a premier place to host major events.

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