## 2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

**2.01 Sex**
1. Male  2. Female

**2.02 Age now?**
(years)

**2.03 Tribe?**

**2.04 Marital status now?**

**2.05 Marital status before war?**

**2.06 How many children do you have now?**

**2.07 How many children did you have before the war?**

**2.08 Education level now?**
1. None/informal  2. Some primary  3. All primary  4. Some secondary  5. All secondary  6. Above secondary

**2.09 Education level before war?**
1. None/informal  2. Some primary  3. All primary  4. Some secondary  5. All secondary  6. Above secondary

**2.10 Town now (see codebook)**
V Z S

**2.11 Town before war (see codebook)**

**2.12 Town of birth (see codebook)**

**2.13 Job now?**

**2.14 How many days did you work in the last month?**

**2.15 Which option best describes your work situation?**
1. Full time employment  2. Consistent part time/contract work  3. Some Part time/contract work  4. No job(s) to be found.

**2.16 Job before war?**

### 1. COMBATANT VERIFICATION

**1.01 Which unit did you fight with?**

**1.02 Which type of weapon did you use?**

**1.03 How many rounds did that weapon take?**

**1.04 What does “lock and load” mean?**

**1.05 What were passwords used for during the war?**

**1.06 What years did you fight?**

**1.07 What drugs were popular around you to make you brave?**

**1.08 Did you go through the DD process?**

**IF NO:**

**1.09 Why not?**

**1.10 How many verification questions were correct?**

**1.11 Did the combatant pass the verification exam?**

**IF YES, CONTINUE WITH SURVEY**
3.23 Did you fear you or your family would be hurt somehow or killed if you did not join the faction you joined?  

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If question 3.23 is answered “no,” proceed to question 3.32 (about material benefits)

3.24-26 What were you afraid would happen if you did not join the faction that you joined?  

1. I was afraid the faction I joined would hurt or kill me or my family.  
2. I was afraid a different faction would hurt or kill my family.  
3. Other ____________________________  

|DK | R |

3.27-30 Why did you think this would happen?  

1. I saw what happened to other people that didn’t join.  
2. The faction I joined told me it would happen.  
3. I heard people say that’s what would happen.  
4. Other ____________________________  

[If they chose more than one, follow up with 3.31 Which one of these reasons was the most convincing?]

3.31 Which one of these reasons was the most convincing?

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3.32 Did you think you would get any material benefits while you were part of the faction?  

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If question 3.32 is answered “no,” proceed to question 3.45 (about non-material benefits)

3.33-39 If yes, what material benefits did you think you would get?  

1. money  
2. protection for my family  
3. protection for me  
4. food  
5. women  
6. shelter  
7. other ____________________________  

|DK | R |

3.40-43 Why did you think you would get these benefits?  

1. I saw what other people that joined got.  
2. I was promised these things by a leader.  
3. I was told about these things by others in the faction.  
4. Other ____________________________  

[If they chose more than one, follow up with 3.44 Which of these reasons was the most convincing?]

3.44 Which of these reasons was the most convincing?

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3.45 Did you think you would get any non-material benefits while you were part of the faction?  

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If question 3.45 is answered “no,” proceed to question 3.50

3.46-49 If yes, what non-material benefits did you think you would get?  

1. excitement  
2. revenge  
3. power  
4. other ____________________________  

|DK | R |
5.06-13 Please say if you did the following things with your $150 payment after you left the cantonment site:

1. ☐ Bought clothes for you or family  2. ☐ Transportation
3. ☐ Bought things for your home  4. ☐ Paid for medical needs
5. ☐ It was stolen  6. ☐ Used it for business
7. ☐ Saved it  7. ☐ Never got it  DK  R

6. RR PROGRAMMING

6.01 Have you participated in any type of RR process, now or in the past?  Y  N  DK  R

If question 6.01 is answered “no,” proceed to section 9 (Dream Job)

6.02 Did you do your RR training in the community that you lived in before the war?  Y  N  DK  R

6.04 Did you do either formal education or vocational training?

1. ☐ Vocational training  3. ☐ Neither vocational training
2. ☐ Formal schooling  4. ☐ Both DK  R

If respondent answers “both” or “vocational training,” go to section 7.
If respondent answers “formal schooling,” skip to section 8.
If respondent answers “neither,” skip to section 9.

7. VOCATIONAL TRAINING

7.01 Who provided your vocational training?

1. ☐ IRC  2. ☐ AGRHA  3. ☐ CODA  4. ☐ UMCOR
5. ☐ CESP  6. ☐ YMCA  7. ☐ CESD  8. ☐ PBRC
9. ☐ CCF  10. ☐ RRDST  DK  R

7.02 Was the type of vocational training what you expected when you left the cantonment site?

Y  N  DK  R

7.04 What kind of training did you end up doing?

### Section 7: Vocational Training

#### 7.05 Were you given information about how easy it would be to get the kind of job you trained for?

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#### 7.06 Were you given this information before you selected your program?

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#### 7.08 Were you given information about how much money these types of jobs paid before you chose to enroll?

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#### 7.11 Have you completed your vocational training?

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#### 7.12 Completion date: / (month/year)

### Section 8: Formal Schooling

#### 8.01 Are you attending school now?

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#### 8.02 Why not?

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#### 8.03 Other:

### Section 9: Your Dream Job

#### 9.01 Would you rather have your own business or work as an employee for a company or somebody who runs a business?

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#### 9.02 Did you gain any skills in the faction that you use/used to help you earn money after the war (such as military skills, leadership skills, languages, or mechanical knowledge)?

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#### 9.03 What were they?

#### 9.04 Do you have skills that you would like to use but are not using now?

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#### 9.05 What are they?
9.06 If you could get access to money to start a business that you had to pay back later on, would you want to take that money? Y N DK R

10. RETURN TO COMBAT

10.01 Overall, was life better as a combatant, or is it better now? Y N DK R

IF BETTER AS A COMBATANT…

1. Better as a combatant
2. Better now
3. Equal

IF BETTER NOW…

1. You do not want to kill
2. You don’t have to take orders
3. You are not in danger
4. You have a chance at family
5. You have a chance to have more money
6. You are not perceived as being “bad”, “killers” or “criminals”
7. You have more to eat
8. Other

10.02 What is the number one reason why?

1. You work too hard
2. You are not as respected as before
3. You had more money before
4. You had more to eat before
5. You miss the excitement
6. You’re not accepted by your community
7. You want to keep fighting for your faction’s cause
8. Cannot find a job
9. Other

10.03 What is the number one reason why?

[DO NOT READ ANSWERS]

1. You do not want to kill
2. You don’t have to take orders
3. You are not in danger
4. You have a chance at family
5. You have a chance to have more money
6. You are not perceived as being “bad”, “killers” or “criminals”
7. You have more to eat
8. Other

10.04 Do you ever think about becoming a combatant again? Y N DK R

10.05 What events might make you decide to fight again?

11. ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

11.01 How would you describe the economic condition of Liberia as a whole right now? Y N DK R

1. Excellent
2. Good
3. Bad
4. Terrible

11.02 How would you describe the economic condition of Lofa County right now? Y N DK R

1. Excellent
2. Good
3. Bad
4. Terrible

11.03 How would you describe your living conditions right now? Y N DK R

1. Excellent
2. Good
3. Bad
4. Terrible
### Conditions a Year Ago...

11.04 How would you describe the economic condition of Liberia compared to a year ago?
- [ ] Much better
- [ ] Better
- [ ] Same
- [ ] Worse
- [ ] Much worse
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

11.05 How would you describe the economic condition of Lofa County compared to a year ago?
- [ ] Much better
- [ ] Better
- [ ] Same
- [ ] Worse
- [ ] Much worse
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

11.07 How do you think the economic condition of Liberia will be in one year compared to now?
- [ ] Much better
- [ ] Better
- [ ] Same
- [ ] Worse
- [ ] Much worse
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

11.08 How do you think the economic condition of Lofa County will be in one year compared to now?
- [ ] Much better
- [ ] Better
- [ ] Same
- [ ] Worse
- [ ] Much worse
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

11.09 How do you think your living conditions will be in one year compared to now?
- [ ] Much better
- [ ] Better
- [ ] Same
- [ ] Worse
- [ ] Much worse
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

### Conditions a Year From Now...

11.11 How are your living conditions compared to other ex-combatants in your community?
- [ ] Much better
- [ ] Better
- [ ] Same
- [ ] Worse
- [ ] Much worse
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

11.12 Since the end of the war, do you think former fighters make more or less money than those that did not fight?
- [ ] More
- [ ] Less
- [ ] Equal
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

11.15 If they mention anything illegal...

11.23 What do you think is the principal reason some ex-combatants choose to do these illegal things?
- [ ] That is how they could make the most money
- [ ] That is how they could make fast money
- [ ] There were no jobs for them
- [ ] It is all they know how to do
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

### Your Conditions Compared to Others...

11.10 How are your living conditions compared to non-combatants in your community?
- [ ] Much better
- [ ] Better
- [ ] Same
- [ ] Worse
- [ ] Much worse
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

11.16 How are your living conditions compared to other ex-combatants in your community?
- [ ] Much better
- [ ] Better
- [ ] Same
- [ ] Worse
- [ ] Much worse
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

11.21 Which of these reasons is the most important?

12.01 Today, do you face problems gaining acceptance from your family?
- [ ] Yes, big problems
- [ ] Some problems
- [ ] No problems
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

12.02 Today, do you face problems gaining acceptance from your neighbors/community?
- [ ] It is all they know how to do
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

12.03 If yes to either, do you think this hurts your ability to find a job?  
- [ ] Y
- [ ] N
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

12.04 Are you living in the same community as you were before you joined the faction?
- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO
- [ ] DK
- [ ] R

12.05 Today, in your opinion, how does your community look upon the population of ex-combatants?
- [ ] With fear
- [ ] With acceptance
- [ ] With anger
- [ ] With jealousy

12.06-11 After the war, have you received any of these things from friends?
- [ ] Cash
- [ ] Child care
- [ ] None
- [ ] Other

12.07-16 After the war, have you received any of these things from the government?
- [ ] Cash
- [ ] Child care
- [ ] None
- [ ] Other

12.12-17 After the war, have you received any of these things from family?
- [ ] Cash
- [ ] Child care
- [ ] None
- [ ] Other

12.18-23 After the war, have you received any of these things from the government?
- [ ] Cash
- [ ] Child care
- [ ] None
- [ ] Other

12.24-29 After the war, have you received any of these things from NGOs?
- [ ] Cash
- [ ] Child care
- [ ] None
- [ ] Other

11.21 Which of these reasons is the most important?
12.30-32. Who do you spend the most time with? Second most? Third most?
[Enumerator: place 1 in front of most, 2 in front of second most, etc.]

13.01-2. Do you play games, sports, or go dancing with your friends?

13.03-4. Do you help and spend time with elders?

13.05-6. Do you have arguments with friends or family?

13.07-8. Do you share your feelings or ideas with your friends or family?

13.09-10. Do you have restless nights or nightmares?

13.11. Do you get chest pains or headaches when you think about the war?

13.12. When you feel sad, what do you do to make yourself feel better?

13.13. Do you feel that you have caused trouble?

14. TRAUMA

I am going to mention several events, and I would like you to tell me if you have experienced them. Some may be upsetting to talk about. If so, you do not have to answer. Just say, “please go to the next question.” Also remember that your answers are all confidential.

14.01. How often were you injured in combat? [Write number]__________________

14.02. Were you ever taken prisoner by another faction? YES NO DK R

14.03. Did you witness any killing? YES NO DK R

14.04. Did you witness any civilians injured or killed? YES NO DK R

14.05. Did you see any friends or family killed in combat? YES NO DK R

14.06. How many family members died in the war? 14.07. Friends?

15. POSTWAR RECOVERY FOR LOFA

15.01-03. Which of the following fields (or sectors) do you think has the greatest potential in Lofa County? Second greatest? Third?

15.04. Who do you think has the greatest responsibility to develop Lofa County?

15.05. Which type of government support for the economy would be most valuable for Lofa County?
In your opinion, what are the three key problems facing your community or Lofa as a whole today? (Number in order of priority)

15.06

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16. DEATH ROSTER

Did any of your family members die during the war?  Y  N  DK  R

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TEAM LEADER SURVEY EVALUATION

Is the survey filled out thoroughly?  Yes  No

Is the handwriting clear?  Yes  No

Frequency of errors/inconsistencies?  Few  Some  Many

X_______________________________________    X_____________________________________

Team Leader                                             Date          Gwen                                                      Date

ENUMERATOR SURVEY EVALUATION

Did the interview end before completion?  IF YES...Why?  YES  NO

How well do you believe the respondent understood the meaning of the questions?  Did not understand  Understood some  Understood all

How willing was the respondent to share information?  Unwilling  Very willing  Moderately willing

How much of the survey was the respondent really concentrating on without being distracted?  None of it  All of it  Some of it

Signature of enumerator______________________________________ Date _________________