

**Liberia – Researched and compiled by the Refugee Documentation Centre of Ireland on 3 March 2015.**

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- 2. State Protection**

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