

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER Wednesday, 19 February, 2025

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# **PRESENTATION OF REPORTS**

### 1. Committee on Health Institutions: Hon. Patrick Umoh:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act, 2022 to Establish Federal Medical Centre, Orile, Lagos State and for Related Matters (HB. 1356)" (*Referred: 30/10/2024*).

# 2. Committee on Health Institutions:

#### Hon. Patrick Umoh:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery, Eket, Akwa Ibom State and for Related Matters (HB. 363)" (*Referred: 22/10/2024*).

# ORDERS OF THE DAY BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Assembly Service Act (No. 63) 2014 and Enact the National Assembly Service Act, 2025 to provide for a clear Administrative Structure for the National Assembly Service, outlining the Qualifications for the Appointment of Clerks, Heads of Directorates of the National Assembly and the Secretary to the Commission, enhance Professionalism and Accountability within the National Assembly's Administrative Framework and for Related Matters (HB.2056) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen and Hon. Marcus Onobun*) *Second Reading*.
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Insurance Act, Cap. I 17 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; the Marine Insurance Act, Cap. M3 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; the Motor Vehicle (Third Party) Insurance Act, Cap. M22, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; the National Insurance Corporation of Nigeria, Act, Cap. N54, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; the Nigerian Reinsurance Corporation Act, Cap. N131, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Nigerian Insurance Industry Reform Act, 2004 to Provide for a Comprehensive Legal and Regulatory Framework for Insurance Business in Nigeria and for Related matters (SB. 393) (Senate) Second Reading.
- 3. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) to Provide for Establishment of an Electoral Offences Tribunal and ensure that all electoral matters are determined before swearing–in of the Elected Office Holders and for Related Matters (HB.1290) (*Hon. Bamidele Salam*) *Second Reading*.
- 4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act to Establish Federal Medical Centre, National Assembly Abuja and for Related matters (HB. 513) (*Hon. Mohammed Bello Shehu*) *Second Reading*.
- 5. A Bill for an Act to Establish National Farm Settlements Agency to Promote Agricultural Development, ensure Food Security and Foster Economic Growth by Creating Agro-Allied Industrial Processing Zones, with a view to facilitate value addition in the Agricultural Sector and Promote Agribusiness Opportunities in Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB.1347) (*Hon. Maruf Afolabi Afuape*) *Second Reading*.
- 6. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to make Provision for Diaspora Voting and for Related Matters (HB.1396) (*Hon. Tochukwu Okere*) *Second Reading*.

# MOTIONS

### 7. Resurgence of banditry Attacks in Bukkuyum Local Government Area of Zamfara State: Hon. Sulaiman Abubakar Gumi:

# The House:

*Notes* that the level of insecurity as a result of banditry in Bukkuyum Local Government Area of Zamfara State has increased;

*Aware* that on 21 January 2025, bandits attacked Gwashi in Bukkuyum Local Government Area and burnt two military vehicles, similarly on19 January 2025, bandits killed a young man and abducted seven persons in Nasarawa Burkullu and on 16 January 2025, abducted 29 women and 8 men in Kamaru village all in Bukkuyum Local Government Area of Zamfara State;

*Also aware* that on 9, January 2025, two (2) Community Protection Guards (CPG) were killed along Gurusu/Nasarawa Burkullu road when they were ambushed by bandits, on 6, January 2025, dozens of bandits/terrorists in three subgroups rode on motorcycles and sporadically shot and attacked Gana district in Bukkuyum Local Government Area of Zamfara State, abducting fifty (50) civilians (mostly old men, women, and children), killing, maiming many and looted foodstuffs, cattle, and cows before setting the district ablaze;

*Informed* that seven months prior to the January 6, 2025 attack, residents of Gana district in Bukkuyum Local Government Area of Zamfara State signed a peace deal with the armed group, paying millions of naira as a protection levy to enable them cultivate their farms:

*Further aware* that the bandits hid in the forest between Bukkuyum and Anka Local Government Areas and launched a deadly attack on Adabka district in Bukkuyum Local Government Area weeks before the 6 January 2025 attack on Gana district, though the Joint Task Force lost personnel in the attack, but were able to repel the rampaging bandits;

*Observes* that due to the far distance of the military bases, Yashi, Ruwan Jema, and Kyaram wards in Bukkuyum Local Government Area are consistently attacked by bandits, thus, leading to the displacement of persons;

*Concerned* that due to lack of adequate military hardware, such as armoured personnel carriers (APCs) at the existing military bases in the area, bandits are having a field day perpetrating their dastardly act of killing, maiming and kidnapping;

*Also concerned* that due to the absence of military posts on Mayanchi–Junction–Gurusu–Gummi road, travellers on the road are currently at the mercy of bandits occupying the entire stretch of the road;

*Believes* that the establishment of Forward Operating Bases (FOBs) by the Military in Yashi, Ruwan Jema, and Kyaram wards in Bukkuyum Local Government Area of Zamfara State, and equipping the Mopol Unit in Adabka district with sophisticated military hardware such as armoured personnel carriers (APCs), will make a significant difference in curbing banditry in all the communities in Bukkuyum Local Government Area, thereby ensuring adequate protection of lives and properties;

# Resolves to:

- (*i*) urge the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management to provide relief materials to the displaced persons in the affected areas in Bukkuyum Local Government Area of Zamfara State;
- (*ii*) also urge the Chiefs of Defence and Army Staff to urgently set up Forward Operating Bases (FOBs) in Yashi, Ruwan Jema and Kyaram wards in Bukkuyum Local Government Area of Zamfara State to curb banditry in the Area and enhance adequate security of lives and properties;
- *(iii)* commend the military for intensifying efforts towards curbing banditry in Zamfara State, the North West region, and the country in general;
- *(iv)* mandate the Committees on Defence, Army, Emergency, and Disaster Preparedness and Internally Displaced Persons and Refugees (IDPs) to ensure compliance.

#### 8. Need to Appoint Additional Mandate Secretaries in the Federal Capital Territory for Adequate Representation of Area Councils in the Territory: Hon. Joshua Chinedu Obika:

# The House:

*Notes* that Mandate Secretaries are high-level Administrative Officials appointed by the Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA) to oversee specific areas of governance within the Federal Capital Territory such as the Ministers in the Federal Executive Council and Commissioners in the State Executive Council;

*Also notes* that Section 299 (1) (b) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 provides that the Federal Capital Territory Abuja shall be treated as one of the States of the Federation for the purpose of participation in the nation's economic, political and social activities;

*Aware* that the President, through the Federal Capital Territory Minister, appoints Mandate Secretaries for the administration of the Federal Capital Territory, these appointments were made to reflect the geopolitical zones of the country only;

*Also aware* that the Federal Executive Council and the State Executive Council have State and Local Government Representation respectively in their cabinets which became necessary for Federal Capital Territory to be treated as if it were a State and should have Area Council Committee Representatives in the Federal Capital Territory;

*Concerned* that the current number of Mandate Secretaries may not be sufficient to meet the growing administrative tasks and governance needs of the rapidly expanding Federal Capital Territory population and development as well as give a sense of inclusivity to the people of the Federal Capital Territory;

*Cognizant* that additional Mandate Secretaries will enhance good governance, service delivery and adequate representation of Federal Capital Territory's people in policy coordination and implementation at the grassroots;

#### Resolves to:

- (*i*) urge the Minister of the Federal Capital Territory to appoint at least six additional Mandate Secretaries to enhance good governance and effective service delivery within the Federal Capital Territory;
- (*ii*) also urge the President to appoint additional Mandate Secretaries from each of the Area Councils, the appointees must be a resident with in-depth knowledge of the Area Council he/she represents to ensure adequate representation of the Area Councils and effective administration of the Federal Capital Territory;
- (*iii*) mandate the Committee on Federal Capital Territory to ensure compliance.

#### 9. Need to Include Ndokwa/Ukwuani Federal Constituency in the Amnesty Program: Hon. Nnamdi Ezechi:

#### The House:

*Notes* that the Amnesty Program was established to address the grievances and reintegrate Ex-militants from the Niger Delta region into society;

*Also notes* that Ndokwa/Ukwuani Federal Constituency in Delta State consists of three Local Government Areas, namely Ndokwa East, Ndokwa West, and Ukwuani, all of which are oil-producing regions;

*Further notes* that these Communities host Multinational Oil Companies such as the Nigerian Agip Oil Company (NAOC), Sterling Exploration and Energy Production Company (SEEPCO), Pillar Oil, Platform Oil Limited;

*Concerned* that the exclusion of Ndokwa/Ukwuani Federal Constituency from the Amnesty Program is causing growing frustrations among the local population, potentially leading to severe social and economic unrest.;

*Worried* that the Amnesty Program's inadequacy in providing support and rehabilitation opportunities to former militants and restive youths is causing a cycle of violence and poverty;

Also worried that the absence of federal intervention in these areas undermines efforts to establish lasting peace and security in the region;

*Cognizant* that the Inclusion of Ndokwa/Ukwuani in the Amnesty Program would aid in disarmament, demobilization, and reintegration, promoting peace, equity, fairness, and development in the region;

Resolves to:

- (*i*) urge the Ministry of Regional Development Affairs to prioritize developmental projects and vocational training programs in Ndokwa/Ukwuani to provide sustainable livelihoods, reduce youth restiveness, and promote peace and stability in the region;
- (*ii*) also urge the Federal Government to immediately include Ndokwa/Ukwuani Federal Constituency in the Amnesty Program to address the grievances of the affected youths and ensure equitable treatment;
- (*iii*) also urge the Presidential Amnesty Office to conduct a thorough assessment of the situation in Ndokwa/Ukwuani to facilitate its inclusion; and
- *(iv)* mandate the Committees on Niger Delta Ministry and Host Communities to engage with community leaders, youth groups, and other stakeholders in Ndokwa/Ukwuani to ensure a smooth and effective integration into the Amnesty Program.

# **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

1.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
2.	Rules and Business	Wednesday 19 February 202	5 3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
3.	Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Wednesday 19 February 202	5 3.00 p.m.	Conference Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex
4.	FCT Area Council and Ancillary Matters	Wednesday 19 February 202	5 3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 107 (New Building) Assembly Complex