



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Thursday 6th March, 2008

1. Prayers
 2. Approval of the Votes and Proceedings
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

Concession Agreement between Federal Government and **GINL**:

A Threat to the Operation of the Ajaokuta Steel Company Limited, Kogi State

Sen. Salihu O. Ohize:- (*Kogi Central*) Sen.
Bala A. Mohammed:- (***Bauchi South***) Sen.
Satti Gogwim: (*Plateau Central*) Sen.
Ayogu Eze:- (*Enugu North*) Sen. Dahiru A.
Kuta:- (*Niger East*) Sen. Gberii R. Sarakk-
(*Kwara Central*)

Sen. Smart Adeyemi:- (*Kogi West*) Sen.
Lee Maeba:- (*River South East*) Sen.
Uche Chukwumerije:- (*Abia North*) Sen.
Zaynab A. Kure:- (*Niger South*) Sen.
Grace F. **Bent**:- (*Adamawa South*)

The Senate,

Notes that the Ajaokuta Steel Company Limited in Kogi State was established in 1979 to serve as metallurgical and engineering complex that can be used by the country to generate upstream and downstream economic activities that are critical to the diversification of the nation's economy into an industrial one and was 98% technically ready by 1984;

Notes that the Steel Company was built at Five Billion, Six Hundred Million US Dollars and was valued in 2006 at Six Billion US Dollars and yet was sold to GINL for 525 Million US Dollars;

Aware that the Federal Government had concession agreement with Global Infrastructure (Nig) Limited (GINL) to manage Ajaokuta Steel Company at 1.3 million tonnage per annum for ten years in 2004;

Concerned that that GINL has abandoned the real terms of Concession Agreement to produce liquid steel by August 2005 and the Aspero agreement targeted at producing engineering spare parts for Nigeria industry and to enter into Joint Venture of producing high-tension electrical power transmission to expand the national grid at a critical time that Nigeria is investing billions of naira for the re-enforcement and expansion of the national grid;

Worried that GINL is already vandalizing equipment at the Ajaokuta plant to repair Aladja steel company and the iron ore concentrate at Itakpe valued at \$1 Billion is being depleted and shipped to India where their interest lies which clearly shows that GINL has no intention of making Ajaokuta work;

Convinced that the Concession Agreement between the Federal Government and Global Infrastructure Limited it" allowed to continue will be a stumbling block into achieving some of the Seven Point Agenda of the present administration especially industrialization and employment generation and the revolution of Rail way lines in Nigeria.

Convinced also that GINL does not have the technical and financial wherewithal to run the steel plants and produce liquid steel;

Observes that **GINL** have gone **the** extent of mortgaging the steel company to enable them access loan facility from Nigerian Banks. Instead of bringing foreign capital investments and technical expertise as contained in the Concession Agreement.

Accordingly resolves to:

- (i) **Call** on the Federal Government to stop the proposed Joint Venture Agreement with GINL and cancel the existing **Concession** Agreement for Ajaokuta and **Itakpe**.
- (iii) **Urge** the senate committee on power and steel development to conduct a holistic investigation on why TPE the company that built the steel company failed to complete the project for commissioning and why GINL also failed to complete the project as contained in the concession agreement. .

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service:

Screening of Nominee:

Senator Mohammed I. Ahmed:- (Kwara North)

"That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the **Committee on Establishment** and Public Service on the screening of **DR. AKPAMA M. AKPAMA** (Cross River State) as a Member of the Federal Civil Service Commission (FCSC) and approve the recommendation".

Recommendation:

"That the Senate do confirm the nomination of **DR. AKPAMA M. AKPAMA** (Cross River State) as a Member of the Federal Civil Service Commission (FCSC)".

2. Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters:

Screening of Nominees:

Senator Umaru Dahiru:- (Sokoto South)

"That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters on the screening of **HON. JUSTICE T.O. OGEBE** (North Central) and **HON. JUSTICE M.S. MUNTAKA COOMASIE** (North West) as Justices of the Supreme Court of Nigeria and approve the recommendations".

Recommendations:

"That the Senate do confirm the nominations of **HON. JUSTICE T.O. OGEBE** (North Central) and **HON. JUSTICE M.S. MUNTAKA COOMASIE** (North West) as Justices of the Supreme Court of Nigeria".

3. Report of the Committee on Finance:

Customs, Excise Tariff, Etc (Consolidation) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2008 (HB). 01

Sen. Ahmed M. Makarfi:- (Kaduna North)

"That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Finance, on the Customs, Excise Tariff, Etc (Consolidation) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2008 (HB). 01

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rule and Business	Thursday, 6th March, 2008	3. 00 p.m	Committee Room 15 Assembly Complex