



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 24th March, 2009

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Exclusive Economic Zone Act (Repeal And Re-Enactment) Bill, 2009 (SB: 239) - *First Reading*
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (*Senate Leader*)
2. Land Use Act (Amendment) Bill, 2009 (SB: 251) - *First Reading*
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (*Senate Leader*)
3. Enhanced Services for Federal Law Officers Bill, 2009 (SB: 249) - *First Reading*
Senator Tawar U. Wada (*Gombe South*)
4. Finance (Control And Management) Act (Repeal And Re-Enactment) BILL, 2009(SB: 250) - *First Reading*
Senator Kabiru Gaya (*Kano South*)

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committee on Works:
Senator Julius A. Ucha (Ebonyi Central)
"That the SENATE do RECEIVE the REPORT of the COMMITTEE on WORKS, on the SCREENING of the following persons as CHAIRMAN and MEMBERS in the GOVERNING BOARD of the FEDERAL ROADS MAINTENANCE AGENCY" (*To be laid*).

S/NO	NAME	DESIGNATION	GEO-POLITICAL ZONE
1.	Engr. Abdulkadir Abdullahi Kure	Chairman	
2.	Engr. Abdul-Azeez Alhaji Umaru	Member	North West
3.	Mallam Yakubu W. Bello	Member	North East
4.	Musa Hussein Esq.	Member	North Central
5.	Mr. Arikawe Akinlose Sylvester	Member	South West
6.	Chief Fidelis Ike Ndeokwelu	Member	South-East
7.	Barrister Bolatsi Omatseye Dudu	Member	South-South

2. Report of the Committee on National Identity Card and National Population Commission:

Screening of Nominees:

Senator Hosea O. Ehinlanwo (*Ondo South*)

"That the SENATE do RECEIVE the REPORT of the COMMITTEE on NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD and NATIONAL POPULATION COMMISSION on the SCREENING of ALHAJI ABDULLAHI ABARSHI MUHAMMED (*Kebbi State*) and YUSUF MOHAMMED ANKA (*Zamfara State*) as MEMBERS in the NATIONAL POPULATION COMMISSION" (*To be laid*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. Halliburton Bribery Scandal Involving Some Nigerians:

Senator Bassey Ewa – Henshaw (*Cross River South*)

Co-Sponsors:

Senator Ikechukwu Obiorah

Senator Victor Ndoma-Egba, SAN

Senator Uche Chukwumerije

Senator Omar Hambagda

Senator Wilson Ake

Senator Ahmed Lawan

Senator Lee Maeba

Senator Chris Anyanwu

Senator Smart Adeyemi

Senator Enyinnaya Abaribe

The Senate,

NOTES with deep concern a report in the Friday February 13, 2009 edition of The Guardian newspaper to the effect that the engineering subsidiary of Halliburton Co., Kellogg Brown & Root (KBR) Inc. of the US pleaded guilty to five Federal charges that it paid US \$180million as bribes to Nigerian officials.

NOTES further that the same news item was aired by the Cable News Network (CNN) International for a number of days during the month of February 2009.

OBSERVES that the General Counsel of KBR Mr. Andrew Farley according to the report admitted to a US District Court in Houston USA that the company paid the bribes to high ranking Nigerian officials in the Executive Branch and the NNPC in a scheme to secure 4 lucrative Bonny LNG contracts worth about US \$6 Billion over a period between 1994 and 2004 in violation of Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA).

NOTES that Halliburton and KBR accepted to pay fines totaling US \$402 million of which Halliburton's share is US \$382 million to the Justice Department.

NOTES further that in a separate settlement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Halliburton will pay a further fine of US \$177 million bringing the total fines to be paid by both organizations to US \$579 million the single largest combined settlement ever paid by US companies under the FCP Act.

ACKNOWLEDGES that this is one of the most embarrassing and scandalous reports of corruption involving Nigerian officials to come to light.

AFFIRMS that this is a very serious crime against the economic well being of the government and people of Nigeria amounting to sabotage.

NOTES that the present administration has declared the fight against corruption and respect for the rule of law as cardinal policies of this administration.

EXPRESSES CONCERN that since the news of the bribery scandal became public the government or its officials have not commented or taken a firm public stand to expose and prosecute those involved.

Accordingly Resolves to:

- i **Appeal** to the relevant authorities in the United States to cooperate with and assist the government and people of Nigeria in their fight against corruption by making public and/or compelling Halliburton and KBR to name and expose for the benefit of the Nigerian public the Nigerian bribe takers.

- ii *Urge* the Federal Government of Nigeria to take all necessary steps to expose and prosecute those involved, and to recover from them the sums received by them as bribes.
- iii *Direct* its Committees on Judiciary and Human Rights, Gas and Drugs, Narcotics and Anti Corruption to conduct a separate and independent investigation on the matter in accordance with Section 88 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and report back to the Senate within one month.

CONSIDERATION OF A REPORT

1. **Report of the Committee on FCT:**
FCT Appropriation Bill, 2009 (SB: 238)
Senator Abubakar Sodangi (Nassarawa West)
 "That the SENATE do RESUME CONSIDERATION of the REPORT of the COMMITTEE on FCT, on the ***FCT APPROPRIATION BILL 2009 (SB: 238)***" (*Committee of Whole.*).

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A **BILL** for an Act to **PROVIDE** for the **ESTABLISHMENT** and **ADMINISTRATION** of the **NIGERIA MINING CADASTRAL OFFICE**, and for **MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH, 2009 (SB. 207)**
Second Reading
Senator George T. Sekibo (Rivers East)
2. A **BILL** for an Act to **AMEND** the **INDEPENDENT CORRUPT PRACTICES and OTHER RELATED OFFENCES COMMISSION (ESTABLISHMENT) ACT, 2000 (SB. 206)** – *Second Reading*
Senator Sola Akinyede (Ekiti South)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Public Accounts	Tuesday, 24th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Hearing Room 4
2.	Petroleum Resources (Upstream)	Tuesday, 24th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 3.24 Senate New Building
3.	Employment, Labour and Productivity	Tuesday, 24th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 4.27 Senate New Building
4.	Housing and Urban Development	Tuesday, 24th March, 2009	1.00 p.m	Hearing Room 107 Senate New Building
5.	Finance	Tuesday, 24th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 221 Senate New Building
6.	Commerce	Tuesday, 24th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 312 Senate New Building
7.	Health	Tuesday, 24th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 3.05 Senate New Building
8.	Petroleum Resources (Upstream)	Wednesday, 25th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 3.01 Senate New Building
9.	Capital Market	Wednesday, 25th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 221 Senate New Building
10.	Public Accounts	Wednesday, 25th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Hearing Room 4
11.	Defence & Army	Wednesday, 25th March, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 324 Senate New Building