



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Wednesday 29th October, 2008

1. Prayers
2. Approval of the Votes and Proceedings
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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Office of the Auditor-General of the Federation (Est, etc) Bill, 2008 (SB. 154) - *First Reading*

Sen. Ahmad I. Lawan	Sen. Bukar A. Ibrahim	Sen. Heineken Lokpobiri
Sen. Umar A. Argungu	Sen. Nicholas Y. Ugbane	Sen. Andrew A.O. Babalola
Sen. Hassan M. Gusau	Sen. Caleb Zagi	Sen. Bala A. Mohammed
Sen. Sahabi A. Ya'u	Sen. Sylvester N. Anyanwu	
2. Psychiatric Hospitals Management Act (Amendment) Bill, 2008 (SB. 181) - *First Reading*
Sen. Anthony G. Manzo (Taraba North)
3. Petroleum Technology Development Fund Act (Amendment) Bill, 2008 (SB. 212) - *First Reading*
Sen. Lee L. Maeba (Rivers South East)

PRESENTATION OF A REPORT

1. **Report of the Committee on Housing and Urban Development:**
Petitions on the Sale of Federal Government Houses
Senator Ikechukwu J. Obiorah (Anambra South)
"That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Housing and Urban Development, on Petitions on the Sale of Federal Government Houses" (*To be laid*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. **Nigeria's Withdrawal from Hosting the 2009 FIFA Under 17 World Cup:**
Senator Bode Olajumoke
Co- Sponsors
Senator Anthony Agbo
Senator Kabiru Gaya

The Senate,

Notes the reports credited to the Minister of Sports and the Hon. Minister of Information that Nigeria has withdrawn the earlier confirmed rights to host the 2009 u-17 World Cup Football competition in October 2009;

Observes that the reason given by Government hinges on the stated fact that Nigeria lacks the capacity to deliver a world class event as it was faced with a myriad of challenges including a deficit National budget and the crushing effect of the global financial meltdown;

Notes the embarrassment this announcement has caused millions of expectant Nigerians and Africans who were highly excited when last year FIFA zoned to Africa the right to host the 2008 U-17Cup;

Notes the damage the withdrawal will cause to the image of Nigeria on its big-brother status in the continent of Africa and in the eyes of international community;

Notes that the said withdrawal will amount to a breach of international agreement in the light of the agreement dated 16th March 2007 signed by the former president and seven ministers which unequivocally was made to be "valid, binding and enforceable for any and all relevant national, states and local authorities including any and all succeeding governments and or national, state and local government authorities irrespective of any change in government or its representative or any changes in the laws and regulation;

Notes the genuine concern of the Federal Government as to the impact of the current global financial melt down, decline in oil price and the attendant impact of this on our economy;

Observes that such a tournament fiesta of international standing will open up Nigeria to limitless economic opportunities as tens and thousands of foreigners who will visit Nigeria in the course of this tournament will explore opportunities for investment and business contacts with Nigeria and Nigerians in addition to hundreds of millions of dollars the participants will spend in this country;

Recall that the various states' governments that were selected to host the competition have already invested billions of naira to upgrade facilities in their various states considering the fact that Sports is a unifying factor in Nigeria and indeed the World over.

Accordingly Resolves to:

1. **Urge** the federal government to rescind its decision to withdraw Nigeria's hosting of FIFA-U-17 2009 World Cup;
2. **Invite** the Hon Minister of Sports to the Senate to explain how and why the decision not to host was taken;

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Authorise the Issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of **N683,301,968,287** (Six Hundred and Eighty-Three Billion, Three Hundred and One Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty-Eight Thousand and Two Hundred and Eighty-Seven Naira) only, of which **N220,241,326,816** (Two Hundred and Twenty Billion, Two Hundred and Forty-One Million, Three Hundred and Twenty-Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixteen Naira) only, is for additional Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the balance of **N463,060,641,471** (Four Hundred and Sixty-Three Billion, Sixty Million, Six Hundred and Forty-One Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy-One Naira) only, is for Contribution to the Development Fund for additional Capital Expenditure and the portion of the Federal Government's contribution for the funding of the Emergency Power Projects agreed by the National Economic Council at their meeting of 19th June, 2008 amounting to **US\$2,463,448,500** equivalent to **N288,223,474,500** for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2008 - *Second Reading*
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (Senate Leader)
2. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Prohibition of Electronic Fraud in All Electronic Transactions in Nigeria and for Other Related Matters, 2008 (SB. 185) - *Second Reading*
Senator Ayo Arise (Ekiti North)
3. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the System, Structure, Composition, Functions and Financing of Area Council, and for Other Related Matters, 2008 (SB. 131) - *Second Reading*
Senator Adamu M. Sidi-Ali (FCT)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 29th October, 2008	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 15 Assembly Complex
	Ethics, Code of Conduct and Public	Wednesday, 29th October, 2008	12.00 noon	Committee Room 211 New Senate Building
	Foreign Affairs	Wednesday, 29th October, 2008	11.00 a.m	Assembly Complex
4.	National Security And Intelligence	Wednesday, 29th October, 2008	2.00 p.m	Hearing Room 2 Assembly Complex
5.	Public Accounts	Wednesday, 29th October, 2008	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 312 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
6.	Agriculture and Rural Development	Wednesday, 29th October, 2008	1.00 p.m	Hearing Room 04 Assembly Complex
7.	Airforce	Wednesday, 29th October, 2008	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 426 New Senate Building Assembly Complex
				Committee Room 204 New Senate Building Assembly Complex