



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday 22nd April, 2009

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

1. National Automotive Design and Development Council Act (Amendment) Bill, 2009 (SB.121)
First Reading
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (*Senate Leader*)

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. National Assembly Delegation to Liberia:
Sen. Ibrahim M. Ida (*Katsina Central*)

Co-sponsors:

Sen. Chris N. Anyanwu
Sen. Caleb Zagi
Sen. Aloysius A. Etok
Sen. Bode Olajumoke

Sen. Mohammed Mana
Sen. Abubakar T. Ayuba
Sen. Audu I. Umar

Sen. Anyim Ude
Sen. Kamorudeen A. Adedibu
Sen. Satty D. Gogwim

The Senate,

Notes the trip by a delegation of the National Assembly to Liberia to visit the Nigerian Troops on Peace Support Operations there;

Notes that the delegation was under the leadership of the Senate President and was made up of 3 Senators (Chairman and Vice Chairman of Defence and Army Committee, and the Deputy Chief Whip of the Senate) and 2 Members of the House of Representatives (Chairman and Deputy Chairman of Defence Committee);

Further Notes that the 1st day of the visit was devoted to courtesy calls on the leadership of Liberia (the Acting President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Country), the Nigerian Ambassador to Liberia, the Senior Political and Military Representatives of United Nations Secretary General in Liberia and the High Command of our Troops in Liberia;

Impressed that in appreciation of the sacrifices Nigeria is making to support peace in Liberia, in particular, and the Sub Region in general, the Liberian Legislature has pledged to pass a resolution in support of Nigeria's bid for a permanent seat in the United Nations Security Council;

Observes that the second day was devoted to visits to Nigerian troops at their areas of operation in Liberia and the inspection of their equipment;

Encouraged that during the visits, the Senate President observed the good work the Nigerian Troops are doing in Liberia and commended them appropriately;

Happy that the morale of the Troops was highly boosted by the visit;

Further impressed that the delegation also interacted with Nigerians living in Liberia, during which useful exchanges were made, and the idea of Nigerian investors going to Liberia was stressed. The delegation returned to Nigeria in the early hours of 8th April, 2009.

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. **Commend** the Nigerian Troops on Peace Support Operations under UNMIL in Liberia for the good work they are doing in that country;
- ii. **Call** on the Federal Government of Nigeria to continue with and even improve upon the logistic and welfare supports it is giving our troops on Peace Support Operation all over the world;
- iii. **Call** upon the Federal Government of Nigeria to take steps to prevail upon and encourage Nigerian Entrepreneurs to exploit the goodwill established by Nigeria and avail themselves of the enormous investment opportunities existing in Liberia.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A **BILL** for an Act to **REPEAL** the **LUNACY ACT, 1958**, The Lunatics (Power to Appoint Committee) Act and Section 22, 26, 43 of the Criminal Code and to **REPLACE** it with a **MENTAL HEALTH ACT** for Nigeria, 2003 and for Related Matters, 2009 (SB. 183) - *Second Reading*
Senator George A. Manzo (*Taraba North*)
2. 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*)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Public Accounts	Wednesday, 22nd April, 2009	2.00 p.m	Hearing Room 4
2.	National Planning, Economic Affairs and Poverty Alleviation	Wednesday, 22nd April, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 416 Senate New Building
3.	Works	Thursday, 23rd April, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 313 Senate New Building
4.	Commerce	Thursday, 23rd April, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 312 Senate New Building
5.	Establishment and Public Service	Thursday, 23rd April, 2009	2.00 p.m	Committee Room 427 Senate New Building