



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 26th May, 2005

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

1. **Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service Matters:**
The Pension Reform Act (Amendment) Bill 2005 (SB.149):
Senator Felix O. Ibru:
“That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service Matters on the Pension Reform Act (Amendment) Bill 2005 (SB.149)(*To be Laid*).
 2. **Report of the Committee on Inter-Parliamentary Affairs:**
Senate Endorsement of Resolutions of Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and African Parliamentary Union (APU):
Senator Uche Chukwumerije:
“That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Inter-Parliamentary Affairs requesting Senate to Endorse the Resolutions of Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and African Parliamentary Union (APU)(*To be Laid*).
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. **Public Outcry on the Intended Right-Sizing of the Public Service:**
Senator Felix O. Ibru:
WHEREAS the Federal Government's initiative and programme of action on the socio-economic reforms agenda and in particular on Public Service delivery matters are vital to the present democratic experience;

WHEREAS the current restructuring in the Public Service as recommended by the Presidential Committee on Reforms and Revision of Public Services Rules Regulations and Procedures suggests only a way to improve service delivery and efficiency;

WHEREAS "dead woods" or "round pegs" in "square holes" who no longer make meaningful contribution to the Service are to be removed in line with the extant rules and regulations;

WHEREAS the consequences of implementing this reform on the ordinary citizens of Nigeria have life-threatening dimensions;

WHEREAS the retrenchment exercise in the Banks and some quasi parastatals of government has aggravated the unemployment situation in Nigeria;

WHEREAS the multiplier effect of full implementation of the rightsizing or down-sizing of The Federal Public workforce has far-reaching consequences;

AND WHEREAS the general feeling tends to suggest a very gloomy situation arising from the implementation of this reform:

Be it resolved and it is hereby resolve:

- (i) That the Senate mandates its Committee on Establishment & Public Service in collaboration with the Committee on Labour and Productivity to investigate issues relating to the exercise and criteria adopted;
 - (ii) That the Senate directs the Committees to organise a Public Hearing for the purpose of assessing the situation.
 - (iii) That the Senate requests the President of the Federal Republic to suspend the down-sizing or right-sizing of the Federal Public Service pending the outcome of the Committees investigation; and
 - (iv) That the Senate Committees report their findings and make recommendations to the Senate within a stipulated period of time.
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1. Executive Communication:

Report of the United State Intelligence Council:

Senate Majority Leader:

That the Senate do consider the Executive Communication from Mr President, C-in-C on the Report of the US Intelligence Council.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs:

Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (Ratification and Enforcement) Bill 2005:

Senator Jibril M. Aminu:

“That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (Ratification and Enforcement) Bill 2005 and approve the recommendation”.

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

National Population Commission (Amendment) Bill 2005:

Senator Hosea O. Ehinlanwo:

“That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on National ID Card and National Population on the National Population Commission (Amendment) Bill 2005 and approve the recommendation”.

3. Report of the Committee on Sport and Social Development:

Nigeria Football Association Decree 101 Act (Amendment) Bill 2005 (SB.141):

Senator Mahmud Kanti Bello:

“That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on Sport and Social Development on Nigeria Football Association Decree 101 Bill 2005 (SB.141) and approve the recommendation”.

CONSIDERATION OF BILL

- 1. Farmers Registration Council Bill 2005 (SB. 126) — *Second Reading.*
Senator Bassey Ewa-Henshaw:
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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday, 26th May, 2005	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 15 Assembly Complex
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2.	Education	Thursday, 26th May, 2005	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 08 Assembly Complex
3.	Power, Steel Dev. and Metallurgy	Thursday, 26th May, 2005	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 18 Assembly Complex
4.	INEC	Thursday, 26th May, 2005	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 03 Assembly Complex
5.	Aviation	Thursday, 26th May, 2005	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 20 Assembly Complex