



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 9 April, 2008

1. **Prayers**
2. **Approval of the Votes and Proceedings**
3. **Oaths**
4. **Announcements (if any)**
5. **Petitions (if any)**

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. **Boat Mishap in Watari Dam between Bagwai and Badau Towns in Bagwai Local Government Area of Kano State Hon. Farouk**

Lawan:

The House:

Notes the recent boat mishap involving a bridal train which occurred along the Watari Dam between Bagwai and Badau towns, in Bagwai Local Government Area of Kano State;

Further notes that as a result of this tragedy, 27 Nigerians lost their lives including the 18 year-old bride, children and pregnant women, while others were wounded and are now hospitalised;

Disturbed that if nothing is done to assist the people crossing the river in rickety flying boats, more lives may be at risk.

Resolves to:

- (j) Condole the families of the deceased and commiserate with the people of Bagwai Local Government Area as well as the government and people of Kano State over the tragedy;
- (it) Urge the Federal Government to intervene by assisting in the procurement of well equipped boats or ferries to aid in the transportation of people across the waterway in order to forestall a re-occurrence.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

2. **Committee on Communications:**

Hon. Jerry Manwe:

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Communications on the Decay of Services provided by the Global System Mobile (GSM) Service Providers and approve Recommendations therein" (*Laid: 20/2/2008*).

Recommendations:

- (i) That the Nigeria Communications Commission (NCC) and indeed any other Government Ministry and Departmental Agency cannot act at variance with House Resolutions as enshrined in section 88 of the 1999 Constitution;
- (ii) That the Nigeria Communications Commission (NCC) is under a constitutional duty in line with the House Resolution dated 21st November, 2007 which is covered by section 88 of the 1999 Constitution to issue a Spectrum Licence to Nigeria Communications Satellite Ltd (NIGCOMSAT). The later, having fulfilled all conditions precedent to the grant of the said licence.

3. **Committee on Public Petitions:****Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum:**

Report on the Petition by Mr Ochayi Oji Edwin against the National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies (NIPSS):

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr Ochayi Oji Edwin against the National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies (NIPSS) and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid: 5/2/2008*).

Recommendation:

"That the parties resolve their dispute in Court".

4. **Committee on Public Petitions:****Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum:**

Report on the Petition by Mohammed Isa Dabai against the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC):

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mohammed Isa Dabai against the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid: 5/2/2008*)

Recommendation:

"That the petition by Mohammed Isa Dabai be dismissed for lack of **merit**".

5. **Committee on Public Petitions:****Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum:**

Report on the Petition by Abdullahi Y. Bayawo and Doga Edwin Anyebe against the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA):

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Abdullahi Y. Bayawo and Doga Edwin Anyebe on behalf of 71 retired Staff against the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid: 5/2/2008*).

Recommendations:

- (i) that since the appointments of the 71 NDLEA Staff were terminated and not dismissed, the NDLEA could not be procedurally faulted;
- (ii) that since there were clear evidence that some of the staff had performed creditably without any pending disciplinary cases against them or any queries against them for non-performance before the termination, we recommend that the NDLEA should revisit the entire exercise to avoid miscarriage of justice;
- (iii) that officers affected by the exercise should take advantage of the offer made by the NDLEA to send in their letters of appeal so that their cases may be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

6. **Committee on Public Petitions:****Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum:**

Report on the Petition by Stephen Emegha against the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN):

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Stephen Emegha against the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and approve the Recommendation therein" (***Laid: 12/3/2008***).

Recommendation:

"That Mr Emegha's petition be dismissed as due process was adhered to in his disengagement from the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)".

7. Committee on Public Petitions:
 Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum:
Report on the Petition by B. O. Umezina against Nigeria Police Force:
 "That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by B. O. Umezina on behalf of the Ezeobi, Okeke and Okpagu families of Nise, Anambra State against the Nigeria Police Force and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid: 12/3/2008*).
- Recommendations:*
- (i) that the following Members of the Nise Vigilante team involved in the initial shooting of Afam Ezeobi be immediately tried for murder. They are Chief Augustine Amah, Mr Felix A. Okoye, Mr Boniface Okafor, Mr Ernest Ogbu, Mr Michael Dunu; and Mr Amandi Okafor Josephat;
 - (ii) that superintendent of Police S. P. Dang and Assistant Superintendent of Police Lateef Alabi who were directly involved in the extra-judicial killings be dismissed from service, and immediately tried for the murder of the four deceased;
 - (ii) that the Inspector General of Police to caution officers and men of the Nigeria Police to desist from resorting to extra-judicial killings of suspected criminals.
8. Committee on Public Petitions:
 Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum:
Report on the Petition by Mr Babatunde A. Ezekiel against the Industrial Training Fund (ITF):
 "That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr Babatunde A. Ezekiel against the Industrial Training Fund (ITF) and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid: 12/3/2008*).
- Recommendation:*
 "that the petition by Mr Ezekiel be dismissed for lack of merit and the petitioner is advised to collect his retirement benefits, which is ready for collection from the Industrial Training Fund".

 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 9 April, 2008	10.00 a.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Youth and Social Development	Wednesday, 9 April, 2008	11.00 a.m.	Committee Room 08 Assembly Complex
3.	Justice	Wednesday, 9 April, 2008	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 09 Assembly Complex
4.	Commerce	Wednesday, 9 April, 2008	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 03 Assembly Complex