



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 23 July, 2008

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. National Office of Government Performance, Audit and Accountability Bill, 2008 (HB.III) (*Hon. Dimeji Sabur Bankole*) — *First Reading*.
2. Nigerian Football Association Act (Amendments) Bill, 2008 (HB. 104) (*Hon. Tunde Akoguri*) — *First Reading*.
3. Family Economic Advancement Programme Act (Amendment) Bill, 2008 (HB. 105) (*Hon. Tunde Akoguri*) — *First Reading*.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Committee on Governmental Affairs:

Hon. Leo Ogor:

"That this House do receive the Sessional Report of the Committee on Governmental Affairs between June, 2007 — June 2008".

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. Queen Ede Gully Erosion in Benin City, Edo State:

Hon. Ifaluyi Isibor
Hon. Patrick Obahiagbon
Hon. Tam Brisibe
Hon. Terngu Tsagba
Hon. Gbenga Elegbeleye
Hon. Abbas Braimoh
Hon. Dino Melaye
Hon. Binta Garba
Hon. Ike Chin wo
Hon. Doris Uboh
Hon. Sa'idu Gumburawa

Hon. Friday Itulah
Hon. Solomon Agidani
Hon. Tunde Akogun
Hon. Halims Agoda
Hon. Patrick Ikhariale
Hon. Ehigie West-Idahosa
Hon. Ndudi Elumelu
Hon. Lanre Agoro
Hon. Labaran Y. Dambatta
Hon. Clever Ikisikpo
Hon. Hadiza Abba Ibrahim

Hon. Andrew Uchendu
Hon. Gbenga Makujuola
Hon. Samson Osagie
Hon. Leo Ogor
Hon. Johnson Abolagba
Hon. Yusuf Tuggar
Hon. Emmanuel Jime
Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum
Hon. Abike Dabiri-Erewa
Hon. Isah Shaba Bello
Hon. Hassan Haruna

Hon. Mohammed Darangi

Hon. Abba Lawan

Hon. Bassey Ewah

Hon. Mohammed Ali Ndume

The House:

Notes the devastating effect that the Queen Ede Gully Erosion has been having on the residents of the Queen Ede Axis of Benin Agbor Road;

Further notes that the Erosion has claimed several lives and destroyed several houses, schools, Churches and a Mosques;

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Acknowledges the efforts of some notable individuals, Churches, corporate bodies and recently, the Edo State Government, to control the erosion but without success;

Concerned that the erosion seems uncontrollable despite the palliative measures put in place and that the erosion is now at the kerb of the Benin-Asaba Express Road on one side and the PPMC Depot at Iwogba Axis on the other side;

Worried that if the Gully erosion is not put under control, more lives and properties will be lost including Government Infrastructures such as the PPMC Depot and Benin-Asaba Express Road which is the only link road from Benin to the Eastern part of Nigeria;

Resolves to:

(i) Urge the Ministries of Environment, Housing and Urban Development to give priority **to the** control of the erosion of the affected areas;

(ii) Urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to send relief materials to the victims.

2. Need for Public and Political Office Holders to Curb frequent Oversea Medical Treatment:

Hon. Dino Melaye

Hon. Mohammed Ndume

Hon. Doris Uboh

Hon. Paul Adah

Hon. Solomon Awhinawhi

Hon. Sada Soli

Hon. Herman Hambe

Hon. Suleiman Bello

Hon. Samson Osagie

Hon. Folake Olulonyo

Hon. Samuel B. Aro

Hon. Gbenga Oduwaiye

Hon. Halima Hassan

Hon. Austin Nwachukwu

Hon. Bolarinwa Bashir

Hon. Olusegun Akinloye

Hon. Darlington Okereke

Hon. Stanly Emeka

Hon. Wole Oke

Hon. Wale Adegoke

Hon. Godwin Elumelu

Hon. Jerry Manwe

Hon. Eziuche Ubani

Hon. Atai Aidoko Ali

Hon. H. E. Dickson

Hon. Kamol A. Mudashiru

Hon. Ogbuefi Ozomgbachi Hon. Suleiman A.

Kawu The House:

Notes the frequent trips undertaken by public and political office holders abroad for medical check-ups and treatment which could be ordinarily handled in our hospitals;

Regrets the negative impact of this phenomenon on the social and economic development of our great country in a situation where such minor ailments could be diagnosed and treated in the country;

Worried that the medical personnel in such hospitals abroad are mostly Nigerians in diaspora, who have traveled overseas in search of greener pastures;

Further worried that our Specialist Hospitals as Centres of excellence are now been abandoned and ill-equipped, hence the services provided are nothing to write home about;

Conscious of the fact that Political Office Holders as "Servant Leaders", must live by example in having preference for made-in-Nigeria goods and services;

Regrets that National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS) has not assisted Nigerians in off-setting medical bills and the need for the review of the Act;

Resolves to:

- (i) mandate the House Committee on Health to work out the modalities in which our Specialist and Teaching Hospitals could be better equipped with modern state of the art facilities and trained staff;

(ii) urge the Federal Government to discourage Public and Political Office Holders from undertaking medical trips abroad and where such trips are quite mandatory, the medical bill incurred would be borne by the patient;

(Hi) urge the Federal Government to allocate more resources to the health sector to conduct research into diseases affecting Africans generally;

(iv) urge the Federal Ministry of Health to develop and adopt a policy framework for Nigerians who wish to receive medical treatment abroad;

(v) urge the Federal Government to work out the modalities to address the problem of brain-drain in the country with a view to attracting Nigerians working abroad to return home with attractive incentives.

3. **Devastating Pipeline Oil Spillage in Idoa and Ukhun Community of Esan West Local Government Area of Edo State:**

Hon. Patrick A. Ikhariale

Hon. Leo Awoyemi

Hon. Friday Itulah

Hon. Idris Ahmed

Hon. Samson Osagie

Hon. Linus Umoh

Hon. Patrick Obahiagbon

Hon. Linus Umoh

Hon. Chineyere Igwe

Hon. Elizabeth Ogbaga

Hon. Abbas Braimah

Hon. Nasiru Mohammed

Hon. Abulagba Johnson

Hon. Haruna Ibrahim

Hon.. Halims Agoda

Hon. Ibrahim M. Sani ^s

Hon. Abdul M. C.

Hon. Akhwinahwi S.

Hon. Warman Ogorikpa

Hon. Pattey Etete

Hon. Dan Renieju:

The House ;

Notes that on July 18, 2008, there was an oil spillage in Idoa and Ukhun communities in Esan West Local Government Area of Edo State;

Further notes that the spillage has spread to other communities in the area causing tremendous damage to the environment and aquatic life;

Worried that the spillage has claimed many lives and properties, farmlands and livestock;

Disturbed that the relevant Government Agencies have not shown much concern to the plights of the people;

Aware that the affected communities are the food basket of Edo State;

Resolves to:

urge the National Oil Spill Detection and Response Agency (NOSDRA) to determine and identify the cause of the spillage and enforce necessary regulations;

mandate the joint Committee on Petroleum Resources, Environment and Emergency and Disaster Management Agency to visit the affected areas and report back to the House.

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4. Appropriations (Amendment) Bill, 2008 (HB. 100) — *Second Reading* — (First Allotted Day).

5. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Widows and Orphans Protection Commission and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2008(HB.63) — *Second Reading*.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

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

Report on the **Petition** by Festus Keyamo:

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Festus Keyamo on behalf of Dr. Godson Ewulum against the operations of the Presidential Committee on Police Equipment Fund and approve the Recommendations Therein" (Laid 27/5/2008).

Recommendations:

- (i) Whatever approval given to a private non-governmental organization to use the name "Police" to publicly solicit for funds should be withdrawn as this has clearly been shown to be open to abuse;

(ii) Government should in the interim, freeze the accounts of the Presidential Committee on Police Equipment Fund/Police Equipment Foundation and order a thorough audit of these accounts;

(Hi) Government should recover all properties and monies raised in its name by the Presidential Committee on Police Equipment Fund and remit same to the Police;

(iv) Consequently, we recommend that Chief Kenny Martins, Ibrahim Dumuje, Dr. Yaro Gella return to the Nigerian Police Force the sum of N227,091,581 fraudulently taken in cash from the N7.74 Billion public funds lodged in the Account of the Presidential Committee on Police Equipment Fund;

(v) That the N774 Million paid to NIGERLSTAG, from the N7.7 Billion funds of the Presidential Committee on Police Equipment Funds for the benefit of Chief Kenny Martins, Ibrahim Dumuje and Mrs. Dora Agharite be returned by them to the Nigeria Police Force;

(vi) That the sum of N59 Million illegally withdrawn from the accounts of the Presidential Committee on Police Equipment Fund (PCPEF) for the benefit of Chief Kenny Martins, Ibrahim Dumuje and Mrs. Dora Agharite (NIGERLSTAG) be paid back to the Nigeria Police Force;

(vii) That the sum of N450 Million illegally withdrawn for the benefit of the Police Equipment Foundation a private outfit under the control of Chief Kenny Martins, Ibrahim Dumuje and Dr. Yaro Gella be returned to the Nigeria Police Force, by them;

(viii) The National Coordinator of the Presidential Committee on Police Equipment Fund (PCPEF), Chief Kenny Martins and his team should render an account of the operations, funds and activities of the fund since inception till date;

(ix) As the Fund has not been liquidated or wind up or accounts given, any transaction in the name of the fund or foundation as they now wish to call it should be accounted for as the so called foundation inherited all the assets of the fund including monies donated to it and has been operating some of the Accounts as if there has been no change in status;

(x) The foreign donations and transactions have not been accounted for and efforts to get information on them proved abortive; that the security agencies continue further investigations on this;

(xi) The Security Agencies should further investigate the use of the waivers granted for importation of vehicles as the Committee could not reach conclusions on it;

(xii) That Chief Kenny Martins, Ibrahim Dumuje and Mrs. Dora Agharite be held responsible for unlawfully and fraudulently procuring CAC documents making themselves directors of NIGERSTALG when the resolution upon which they became directors was signed by Evangelist Joseph Agharite five months after his death. These three persons should not benefit from their own wrong. Consequently, we recommend that the Corporate Affairs Commission should invalidate the ownership and directorship of NIGERSTALG LTD which was procured in a fraudulent manner and all benefits taken as a result should be returned to the police;

(xiii) That all other sums of money paid to various individuals, organizations and corporate bodies for services not rendered directly to the Nigeria Police Force be refunded by them to the Nigeria Police Force. Such persons, organizations and corporate bodies are as stated but not limited to paragraph xxiv(e) of the findings above;

(xiv) Condemn some of the Banks for allowing the promoters of Police Equipment Foundation to convert the accounts of the Presidential Committee on Police Equipment Fund to their own use and benefit without any legal authorization. All the Banks so indicted in the findings should discontinue this practice;

(xv) A copy of this report should be sent to EFCC, Security Agencies and prosecuting authorities for their information and further action.

7. Committee on Public Petitions: Hon. C. I. D Maduabum: Report on the Petition by Mr Mohammed Isa Dabai:

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr Mohammed Isa Dabai against the Independent National Electoral Commission(INEC) and approve the Recommendation
Therein"(Laid: 27/5/2008).

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Recommendation:

Since due process was followed by INEC in the procedure leading to the petitioner's dismissal from service, the Committee recommends that the petition by Mohammed Isa Dabai be dismissed for lack of merit.

8. Committee on Public Petitions: Hon. C. I. D Maduabum:

Report on the Petition by Nigerian Union of Traders Association Ghana:

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Nigerian Union of Traders Association Ghana against the Ghanaian Authorities and approve the Recommendations Therein" (*Laid: 27/5/2008*).

Recommendations:

- (i) The House of Representatives should condemn the Ghanaian Government for treating Nigerian Traders in Ghana in a discriminatory and unfair manner contrary to the existing cordial bilateral relations between Ghana and Nigeria, and the letter and spirit of ECOWAS treaty and protocols;
- (ii) That the Presidency and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs should sustain the current diplomatic efforts to resolve the crisis;
- (Hi) That if the current diplomatic efforts to resolve the crisis fails, the Federal Government of Nigeria should consider applying the principle of Reciprocity in dealing with Ghanaians in Nigeria in order to send a strong message that Nigerians abroad cannot be so badly treated and discriminated against without consequences;
- (iv) The Ministry of Foreign Affairs should be pro-active in giving diplomatic assistance to Nigerian Citizens abroad.

9. Committee on Public Petitions: Hon. C. I. D Maduabum:

Report on the Petition by Mr C. O. Agbikimi:

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr C. O. Agbikimi against the Power Holding Company of Nigeria (PHCN) and approve the Recommendations Therein" (*Laid: 27/5/2008*).

Recommendations:

- (i) That the petitioner should be reinstated and all his entitlements paid to him;
- (ii) The Committee gave him the benefit of doubt, as the petitioner's guilt was not conclusively proven since other operational staff of PHCN at Aba Computer Centre had access to the computer programme.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1.	Committee Rules and Business	Date Wednesday, 22 July, 2008	Time 11.00 a.m.	Venue Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	HIV/AIDS, TB & Malaria Control (Meeting with Officials of Ministry of Health)	Wednesday, 22 July, 2008	11.00 a.m.	Committee Room 22 Assembly Complex
3.	Ad-Hoc Committee on Water Resources ((Regulatory) Commission Bill)	Wednesday, 22 July, 2008	11.00 a.m.	Committee Room 23 Assembly Complex
4.	Rural Development	Wednesday, 22 July, 2008	12.00 noon.	Committee Room 24 Assembly Complex