



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 15 December, 2005

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

PRESENTATION OF BILL

National Agency for Highway Emergency Medical Service (Establishment) Bill, 2005 (Hon. Wale Ogunbanjo)
— First Reading.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

- 1. Committee on Justice:
Hon. Alex Nwofe:
"That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Justice on the Investigation into the problems of Admission into the Nigerian Law School".
- 2. Joint Committees on Emergency and Disaster Preparedness and Aviation:
Hon. Chuma Nzeribe:
"That this House do receive the Report of the Joint Committees on Emergency and Disaster Preparedness and Aviation on the Crash of Sosoliso DC9 Aircraft on Saturday 10 December, 2005 at the Port Harcourt International Airport, Rivers State".

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Authorize the Issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the Total Sum of N1,876,302,363,351 (One Trillion, Eight Hundred and Seventy-Six Billion, Three Hundred and Two Million, Three Hundred and Sixty-Three Thousand, Three Hundred and Fifty-One Naira only) of which the Sum of N86,460,000,000 (Eighty-Six Billion, Four Hundred and Sixty Million Naira only) is for Statutory Transfers and the sum of N289,500,000,000 (Two Hundred and Eighty-Nine Billion, Five Hundred Million Naira only) is for Debt Service, while the Sum of N961,108,775,596 only (Nine Hundred and Sixty-One Billion, One Hundred and Eight Million, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand, Five Hundred and Ninety-Six Naira) only is for Recurrent (Non-Debt Expenditure) and the Balance of N539,233,587,755 (Five Hundred and Thirty-Nine Billion, Two Hundred and Thirty-Three Million, Five Hundred and Eighty-Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred and Fifty-Five Naira only) is for Capital Expenditure for the Year Ending on the 31st day of December, 2006 — Second Reading {Second Allotted Day}.

2. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Prudent Management of the Nation's Resources, Ensure Long Macroeconomic Stability of the National Economy, Secure Greater Accountability and Transparency in Fiscal Operations Within a Medium Term Fiscal Policy Framework, and the Establishment of the Fiscal Responsibility Council to Ensure the Promotion and Enforcement for the Nation's Economic Objectives and other Matters Connected Therewith, 2005 (HB. 203) — *Second Reading.*
3. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the National Council on Public Procurement; the Bureau of Public Procurement as the Regulatory Authority Responsible for the Monitoring and Oversight of Public Procurement; and to Harmonize Existing Government Policies and Practices by Regulating, Setting Standards and Developing the Legal Framework and Professional Capacity for Public Procurement in Nigeria and for Other Related Purposes, 2004 (HB.140) — *Second Reading.*
4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Money Laundering (Prohibition) Act, 2004 (HB. 195) — *Second Reading.*

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

5. Committee on Special Duties:
Hon. George Sekibo:
"That this House do resume consideration of the Report of the House Committee on Special Duties on a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Repeal of the National Boundary Commission, etc. Act, Cap. 238 LFN,1990 and Among Others Things, to Establish a New National Boundary Commission with More Powers and Functions; and for Related Matters and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Adjourned Debate*: 14/12/2005).
6. Joint Committees on Agriculture and Rural Development:
Hon. Usman Mani Nasarawa:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Joint Committees on Agriculture and Rural Development on a Bill for an Act to provide for the Establishment of the National Agriculture Development Fund and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid*: 7/12/2005).
7. Committee on Justice:
Hon. Alex Nwofe:
"That this House do consider the Report of the House Committee on Justice on the Investigation into the Problems of Admission into the Nigerian Law School and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 15/12/2005).

- Recommendations:
- (i) Every effort necessary should be made to clear the backlog of students numbering over four (4) thousand that are awaiting admission so as to end their sufferings and fears of not having opportunity to fulfil their ambition of joining the legal profession;
- (ii) The Nigerian Law School should be granted the funds needed to run a double stream programme a year to clear the backlog as outlined in submission of the School, thus:

SUMMARY OF SPACIAL BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR RUNNING DOUBLE STREAM.

Description			Amount N
1.	Personnel Cost	—	N51,587,481.24
2.	Overhead Cost	-	N206,700,000.00
Total			N432,527, 000.24

- (iii) Both the Council of Legal Education and the National Universities Commission (NUC) should be made to co-operate in enforcing approved quota of admission into the Law faculties of our Universities;
- (iv) Adequate funding should be guaranteed to the Nigerian Law School to immediately and continually refurbish deteriorating facilities, expand on existing ones and upgrade and expand the capacity of the School in both physical structures and manpower in all the Campuses to meet the rapid and ever increasing number of Law graduates for the various Universities;
- (v) As a matter of urgency, the House should empower and empanel a properly constituted multi-sectoral study involving in the House Committees on Justice, Judiciary and Education to look into the present system of Legal Education in Nigeria with a view to evolving a better system that will meet the demands of present circumstances as well as review the resent Law that established the Council of Legal Education Cap. 206, Laws of the Federation, 1990 and the Legal Practitioners Act, Cap. 2007, Laws of the Federation, 1990.

8. **Joint Committees on Emergency Disaster Preparedness and Aviation:**
Hon. Chuma Nzeribe:

"That this House do consider the Report of the Joint Committees on Emergency Disaster Preparedness and Aviation on the Crash of Sosoliso DC9 Aircraft on Saturday 10th December, 2005 at the Port Harcourt International Airport, Rivers State and approve the Recommendations therein".

Recommendations:

- (i) It was the decision of the Pilot of the Sosoliso Aircraft to land his plane in less than optimal weather condition. Besides, we understand that this DC9 aircraft was produced in 1965, and about 40years old. Sosoliso Airline should therefore be held entirely responsible for this disaster that claimed total casualty of 103 passengers and 7 crew members;

- (ii) That the Aviation Ministry should take a second look at the original design of Nigerian airports and runways with a view to correcting certain possible disaster causing features such as huge open drainage culverts around the vicinity of the Airport. The case of leaving drainage channels open with jutting culverts very close by tarmacs is susceptible to precipitating catastrophes to air crafts that skid off runways — that if the Sosoliso aircraft had not hit that culvert when it skidded off, it probably would have been a different story, the craft may not have exploded;

- (iii) The NCAA and the Accident Investigation Bureau should be made autonomous of the Aviation Ministry to enable them regulate the Industry and conduct credible investigation of air crashes;

- (iv) That any official that attributes accidents as "acts of God" should be sanctioned and relieved of his job - that such statements arc cover ups for negligence and incompetence;

- (v) That the Federal Government should evolve an Aviation Development Trust Fund (or its equivalent) whereby operators could merge, consolidate and borrow money to acquire new air crafts that are not more than five years, in order to improve safety of our aircrafts. Or the Federal Government should provide guarantees to enable Domestic Airline Operators to modernize their aircraft fleets;

- (vi) That the Total Radar Coverage Project of Nigerian Air Space should be undertaken more expeditedly;

- (vii) We need an Aircraft Maintenance Hanger to service our aircrafts locally. Presently most airlines service their aircrafts in Morocco because they are unable to go to Europe due to the age of the aircraft, their inadequate maintenance records and the European Union (EU) regulatory restrictions.

10. **Joint Committees on Appropriations and Finance:**
Hon. Farouk Lawan:

"That this House do consider the Report of the Joint Committees on Appropriations and Finance on the Virement of the sum of N665,100,000 — Independent National Electoral Commission and approve the Recommendations therein".

Recommendation:

This Honourable House do hereby resolves that the sum of N665,100,000 be vired to the main overhead of the Commission from Grants for Political Parties (N369,500,000), Electoral Reforms Oversight (N739,000.00) and Electronic Voting Machine (N221,700.00).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS				
	Committee	Dale	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday, 15 December, 2005	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Culture and Tourism (Meeting with the Hon. Minister of Culture and Tourism)	Thursday, 15 December, 2005	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 21 Assembly Complex
3.	Cooperation and Integration in Africa	Thursday, 15 December, 2005	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 19 Assembly Complex
4.	Federal Capital Territory	Thursday, 15 December, 2005	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 24 Assembly Complex
5.	Peace and National Reconciliation (Meeting with Dept of Petroleum Resources)	Thursday, 15 December, 2005	2.00 p.m,	Committee Room 09 Assembly Complex