



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 1 April, 2009

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

1. Committee on Marine Transport:
Hon. Ifeanyi Ugwuanyi:
"That this House do receive the Mid-Sessional Report of the Committee on Marine Transport".
 2. Committee on Commerce:
Hon. Gilbert E. Nnaji:
"That this House do receive the Mid-Sessional Report of the Committee on Commerce".
 3. Committee on Steel:
Hon. Aminu Shehu Shagari:
"That this House do receive the Mid-Sessional Report of the Committee on Steel".
 4. Committee on Police Affairs:
Hon. Abdul Ahmed Ningi:
"That this House do receive the Mid-Sessional Report of the Committee on Police Affairs".
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. Fire Disaster in Tarmuwa Local Government Area of Yobe State:

Hon. Khadija Bukar A. I.	Hon. Folake O. Oshinowo	Hon. Bello A. Moriki
Hon. Ike Chinwo	Hon. John Owan Enoch	Hon. Yakubu U. Barde
Hon. Ofor Chukwuegbo	Hon. Mayor Eze	Hon. Bitrus B. Kaze
Hon. Dave Salako	Hon. Philip Aduda	Hon. Godfery Ali Gaiya
Hon. Halima Hassan Tukur	Hon. Charles Odedo	Hon. Uche Ekwunife
Hon. Beni Lar	Hon. Bala Banye	Hon. Friday Itulah
Hon. Umar Ballah	Hon. Bukar Goni	Hon. Ishaka M. Bawa
Hon. Ndudi Elumelu	Hon. Zakariyan Galadima	Hon. Taiwo O. Adewale
Hon. Baba Gishuwari	Hon. Baba Bukar Machinama	Hon. Idris Ahmed
Hon. Haruna Musa Fatahi	Hon. Dahiru Zubariu	Hon. Aminu Musa
Hon. Isaa Idris Umar	Hon. Rufus Omeire	Hon. Abba Lawal

Hon. Ibrahim M. Bichi
 Hon. Mohamed M.
 Hon. N. Abdulkadir
 Hon. Obot S. Sandy
 Hon. Oyetunji Omotayo
 Hon. Agoro Lanre
 Hon. Tijani Abdulkadir
 Hon. Haruna Ibrahim
 Hon. Jerry Manwe
 Hon. Chuka Nwauwa
 Hon. Idris Isa
 Hon. Modu Musa
 Hon. Kaka Adam
 Hon. Umar Buba Jubril
 Hon. Oba M. Ashiru
 Hon. Gilbert Nnaji
 Hon. Abdul Ningi
 Hon. Stanley O.
 Hon. Umaru Kurfi
 Hon. Yusuf Tugar
 The House:

Hon. James Y. Ayuba
 Hon. Moh'd Ali Ndume
 Hon. Betara Aliyu
 Hon. Dele Obadina
 Hon. Onyekweli Charles
 Hon. Emmanuel Jime
 Hon. Akinlabi Mudashiru
 Hon. Abdulkareem Salice
 Hon. Mulikat Akande
 Hon. Chukwuka Onyema
 Hon. Mustapha Baba
 Hon. Mohammed Ali
 Hon. Akindahunsi Titilayo
 Hon. Sani Takori
 Hon. Mustapha Sani Haliru
 Hon. Elizabeth Ogbaga
 Hon. Albert T. Sam Tsokwa
 Hon. Nwanna Uzor Kalu
 Hon. Nase Nasir
 Hon. Leonard Dilkon

Hon. Ibrahim Balla
 Hon. Abike Dabiri
 Hon. Darlington Okereke
 Hon. Mohammed San
 Hon. Abba Adamu
 Hon. Labaran Dambatta
 Hon. Sani Dabiri
 Hon. Maimunat Adaji
 Hon. Kareem Tijani
 Hon. Faruk Lawal
 Hon. Mukтари Bitara
 Hon. Ishaku Shara
 Hon. Kehinde Odebunmi
 Hon. Safiyanu M. Abdullahi
 Hon. Salisu Yusuf Majigir
 Hon. Kabiru Marafa Achidu
 Hon. Sokonte Davies
 Hon. Ike Chinwoke
 Hon. Emma Bello
 Hon. Umar M. Bature

Notes that on Friday, 27 March, 2009, there was a fire outbreak in Chirokusko and Mafa wards in Tarmuwa Local Government Area of Yobe State;

Concerned that the fire outbreak caused extensive damages, destroying several properties, food reserves, farmlands and crops worth millions of Naira;

Aware that the affected areas represent the food basket of Yobe State;

Worried that the displaced people are now stranded without shelter, source of livelihood and other basic necessities of life;

Resolves to:

Call on National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to urgently provide relief materials to the affected families and assist in rehabilitating them.

BILLS

2. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Archives Act, 1992 and to Establish the National Archives and Records Administration Which Shall be Entrusted with Permanent Custody, Care and Control of All Archives of the Federal Government and of such other Archives or Historical Records as may be required, from time to time, Pursuant to this Act, 2008 (HB. 145) — *Second Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Education Tax Act Cap, E4 LFN 2004 and the Education Tax Fund (Amendment) Act, 2003 to Provide for Establishment of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund to impose, manage and disburse Education Tax to Public Tertiary Education Institutions in Nigeria and Other Related Matters, 2009 (HB. 194) — *Second Reading*.
4. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Expatriate Quota Administration Agency to Regulate and Control the Employment of Expatriates in Nigeria and Provide Training Opportunities to Nigerians who understand the Expatriates and for Related Matters, 2008 (HB. 188) — *Second Reading*.
5. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Inland Revenue Service (Establishment) Act, No. 13 2007 to Empower the Accountant-general of the Federation to Enforce Remittance of Revenue to the Federation Account, Provider for Penalties and for Matter Connected Therewith, 2009 (HB. 147) — *Second Reading*.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

6. **Committee on Pensions:**
Hon. Adewusi Babtunde:
"That this House do resume consideration of the Report of the Committee Pensions on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Pension Institute of Nigeria Bill, 2008 and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Adjourned Consideration: 4/3/2009*).
7. A Bill for an act to Amend the National Honours Act, Cap. N43 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide that the Award of National Honours shall be subject to the confirmation of the National Assembly, 2009 (HB. 185) — *Committee of Whole*.
8. **Joint Committee on Women Affairs and Human Rights:**
Hon. Beni Lar:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Joint Committee on Women Affairs and Human Rights on a Bill for an Act to Establish a Trust Fund for the Physically Challenged in Nigeria and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 and a Bill for an Act to Ensure full Integration of Nigerians with Disability into the Society and to Establish a National Commission for Persons with Disability and Vest it with the Responsibilities for their Education, Health Care and Protection of their Social Economic, Civil and Political Rights and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 (HB. 37 & 46) and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid: 25/3/2009*).
9. **Committee on Water Resources:**
Hon. Tsegba Terngu:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Water Resources on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Gurara Water Management Authority with Responsibility Among Other Things, to Ensure Sustainable Operation and Maintenance of the Gurara Multipurpose Water Project and for Matters Connected Therewith, and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid: 26/3/2009*).
10. **Committee on Water Resources:**
Hon. Tsegba Terngu:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Water Resources on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Hydrological Services Agency and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid: 26/3/2009*).
11. **Committee on Finance:**
Hon. John Owan Enoh:
"That this House do consider the Report of the House Committee on Finance on the Investigation into Revenue Generation and Non-Remittance by Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies and Statutory Corporations into the Federation Account and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid 5/3/2009*).

Recommendations:

- (i) That the different statutes that create funds and make financial provisions should be harmonised and/or amended to comply with Section 162 (1) of the Constitution;
- (ii) That in the short term, Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs) with such enabling laws should be compelled to immediately submit before the National Assembly quarterly reports of their revenues and remittances;
- Operating Surplus**
- (iii) That estimates of yearly revenue must be based on scientific facts and information i.e there must be specific basis for arriving at revenue estimates and assessments and this must be easily verifiable;
- (iv) That all expenditures incurred by Agencies of Government must be appropriated and under no circumstances whatsoever must any Government Agency spend its internally generated revenues without appropriation from the National Assembly;
- Unappropriated Expenditure**
- (v) That the Committee recommends sanctions for revenue diversion, failure to remit collections, delayed remittance and revenue consumption without appropriation. There should also be sanction for low revenue collection without justification and budgetary allocation should henceforth be tied to revenue performance;

- (vi) That the budgeting process must be strengthened to be all-inclusive and timely particularly in the release of allocation. Social services like hospitals and educational institutions cannot deliver in the absence of secured budgetary provisions;

Unremitted Tax

- (vii) That the Committee recommends that Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS) be mandated to urgently recover the ₦5.37 billion arrears of WHT, VAT and PAYE and that FIRS should develop a mechanism for tracking down unremitted taxes by ensuring that the Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs) pay these taxes as at when due;

Accountant-General of The Federation (OAGF)

- (viii) That the Office of the Accountant-General of the Generation (OAGF) should be authorised to deduct at source all outstanding arrears of WHT, VAT and PAYE standing in the name of any Agency of Government;
- (ix) That the office of the Accountant General of the Generation (OAGF) should be empowered to extend its revenue monitoring machinery to include other high income yielding Agencies not presently covered; e.g. National Nigerian Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) etc.;
- (x) That revenue accounts should be non-chequing while arrangement should be reached with commercial banks to mop up all Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs) current account balances into the Consolidated Revenue Fund (CRF). The mopping up should be done monthly for revenue accounts;
- (xi) That Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs) should be mandated to make proposals to the Budget Office on how they can increase revenue from their existing sources as well as how they can raise new sources of revenue;
- (xii) That the office of the Accountant General of the Generation (OAGF) should be authorised to deduct at source revenue collected by a Ministries Departments and Agency (MDA) which is not remitted on time. Authority should similarly be given to the office of the Accountant General of the Generation (OAGF) to request Central Bank of Nigeria, (CBN) to debit the account of any collecting bank that failed to remit monies collected by it on behalf of government;

Concessions & Collectables

- (xiii) That previous executive grant of exemptions on duty should be reviewed and the process made more transparent in future. It is also recommended that every future grant must be for a definite period;

Unlegislated Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs)

- (xiv) That urgent steps be taken to pass enabling laws for those Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs) which are currently operating without legal backing;

Outstanding Debts

- (xv) That all Government agencies with substantial public debt be mandated to urgently recover these debts and that they additionally be compelled to draw up a recovery plan and submit quarterly reports to the National Assembly on the progress made;
- (xvi) National Nigerian Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), payments to Federation Account/confirmation of crude oil Exports;
- (xvii) That the National Nigerian Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) should be compelled to firstly remit the totality of revenues arising from its crude oil take without the usual deduction of subsidy at source since the only agency statutorily charged with the responsibility for determining and payment of subsidies for the purpose of transparency in the Administration of the Petroleum Support Fund (PSF) is Petroleum Product Pricing and Regulatory Agency (PPPRA);
- (xviii) That the House Committee on Customs should be mandated to ensure that the Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) fully discharges one of its primary mandate of independently recording the quantity of crude oil that is exported from the different terminals;

Nigeria Port Authority (NPA) and Port Concessioning

- (xix) That the House Committee on Marine transport should be mandated to undertake a study of the number and nature of port concession agreements as to determine Nigeria Port Authority (NPA) remaining financial responsibilities in the country's Ports.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	10.00 a.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Petroleum Resources (Upstream)	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	10.00 a.m.	Committee Room 440 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Agriculture	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	10.00 a.m.	Committee Room 304 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Communications (<i>Meeting with Telecom Operators</i>)	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	10.00 a.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Rural Development	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	10.00 a.m.	Committee Room 24 Assembly Complex
6.	Gas Resources	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 441 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	Power (<i>Meeting on the Energy Development Fund Bill, 2008</i>)	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 107 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
8.	National Planning and Economic Development	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	11.00 a.m.	Committee Room 23 Assembly Complex
9.	Works (<i>Ad-Hoc Committee on the activities of FERMA</i>)	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	11.00 a.m.	Committee Room 312 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
10.	Internal Security	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	11.00 a.m.	Committee Room 18 Assembly Complex
11.	Diaspora	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 304 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
12.	Women Affairs and Social Development and Justice (<i>Public Hearing</i>)	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	10.00 a.m.	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
13.	Banking and Currency	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	11.00 a.m.	Committee Room 08 Assembly Complex
14.	Defence (<i>Interactive meeting with Chief of Defence Intelligence</i>)	Wednesday, 1 April, 2009	11.00 a.m.	Committee Room 324 New Building (House) Assembly Complex