



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 14th October, 2009

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

1. Year 2008 Audited Financial Report and Management Report:
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (*Senate Leader*)
"That the SENATE do RECEIVE the Year 2008 Audited Financial Report and Management Report of Federal Medical Centre, Azare" (*To be laid*).
 2. Report of the Committee on Solid Minerals:
Nigeria Solid Minerals Summit (NISOMS 2008)
Senator George T. Sekibo (*Rivers East*)
"That the SENATE do RECEIVE the REPORT of the COMMITTEE on SOLID MINERALS, on the Nigeria Solid Minerals Summit (NISOMS 2008) held in Jos – 25th – 26th September, 2008" (*To be laid*).
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. Multiple Accidents at Umunya Section of the Onitsha-Enugu Expressway:
Sen. Joy Emodi (*Anambra North*)

The Senate,

Notes that sanctity of life and property of the ordinary citizens of the nation is preserved by the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria;

Notes also that these lives and properties are being daily exposed to danger through the negligence of various Government agencies in this case, the Federal Ministry of Works, who fail to carry out their assigned responsibilities;

Notes that lately, the Ministry of Works has not shown responsive concern to the poor state of Federal roads especially the Onitsha- Enugu Expressway;

Observes that these road maintenance and rehabilitation contracts are often awarded to incompetent companies as evident in the poorly executed jobs they do thus resulting in further damaging of these already dilapidated roads and resulting in several auto accidents;

Notes with particular concern the tragic multiple auto accident on Friday 9th October 2009 at Umunya section of the Enugu-Onitsha Expressway that claimed over 70 lives including school children;

Notes that the primary cause of the accidents and attendant loss of lives was as a result of a fully laden petrol tanker turning over and spilling its content at a bad section of the road, and subsequently exploding and burning more than 70 people including school children in 8 vehicles;

Observes that the Onitsha – Enugu Expressway especially the Onitsha end has become a death trap where lives are lost on a daily basis.

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. **Invite** the Minister of Works at Senate Plenary to explain reasons for the non rehabilitation of the Onitsha – Enugu Expressway;
- ii. **Urge** the Federal Government to as a matter of urgency embark on immediate rehabilitation of the Onitsha – Enugu Expressway;
- iii. **Urge** the Senate Committee on Works to investigate the reason why the road rehabilitation contract that has already been awarded for the Onitsha – Enugu expressway is not being executed;
- iv. **Condole** the Government and People of Anambra State on the loss of over 70 lives in the multiple auto accident.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. 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 the Establishment of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund to Impose, Manage and Disburse Education Tax to Public Tertiary Education Institutions in Nigeria and for Other Related Matters , 2009 (SB. 256) – *Second Reading*
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (Senate Leader)
2. A **BILL** for an Act to **ESTABLISH** the **DEOXYRIBONUCLEIC ACID (DNA) TESTS** for Human Identification, a **NATIONAL DNA DATABANK**, the **NATIONAL BUREAU** and Other Matters Connected Therewith 2009 (SB. 269) – *Second Reading*
Senator Adego E. Eferakeya (Delta Central)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Ethics, Code of Conduct, & Public Petitions	Wednesday, 14th October, 2009	1.00 pm	Committee Room 211 Senate New Building
2.	Nigerian Navy	Wednesday, 14th October, 2009	12.00 noon	Committee Room 416 Senate New Building
3.	Works	Wednesday, 14th October, 2009	12.00 noon	Committee Room 313 Senate New Building
4.	Health	Monday, 19th October, 2009	2.00 pm	Committee Room 305 Senate New Building



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA NOTICE PAPER

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Thursday, 15th October, 2009

1. **Rescission of Senate Resolution on the Electoral Offences Commission Bill, 2009:**
Senator Isiaka A. Adeleke (*Osun West*)

Co-sponsors

Sen. Maina M. Lawan
Sen. Umar Dahiru
Sen. Hosea O. Ehinlanwo

Sen. Ibrahim M. Ida
Sen. Enyinnanya H. Abaribe

Sen. Nicholas Y. Ugbane
Sen. Julius A. Ucha

The Senate,

Notes that the Electoral Offences Commission (Establishment, etc) Bill 2009 was read for the Second time on Wednesday, 30th September 2009 and was committed to the Committee on Review of the 1999 Constitution;

Observes that the Bill is purely on electoral offences and has no constitutional provisions;

Observes also that it is necessary to recommit the Bill to the Committee on INEC whose jurisdiction the Bill falls in accordance with our Standing Order 98(33)(iii).

Accordingly resolves to;

- i. *Rescind* its earlier Resolution to commit the Electoral Offences Commission (Est, etc) Bill, 2009, to the Committee on the Review of 1999 Constitution;
- ii *Recommit* the Electoral Offences Commission (Est., etc) Bill 2009 to the Committee on INEC.

2. **Gruesome Murder of Female Youth Corp Member in Maiduguri:**
Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba SAN (*Cross River Central*)

Co-Sponsors:

Sen. Greg I. Ngaji
Sen. Olorunnimbe O. Mamora
Sen. Lee Maeba.

Sen. Bassey Ewa-Henshaw
Sen. Mania Ma'a ji Lawan

Sen. Effiong D. Bob
Sen. Nkechi Nwaogu

The Senate,

Notes that after Nigeria's Civil War, the National Youth Service Act of 1974 was enacted to encourage and develop common ties among the youths of Nigeria and to promote national unity and government is expected to protect corp members;

Notes with grief, the pathetic cases of Miss. Grace Ushang Adie 24, an indigene of Kakum Town in Obudu Local Government Area of Cross River State, and a recent graduate of Education (Administration and Management) from the University of Calabar, Cross River State who was doing her NYSC with the El-Kanemi College of Business Administration, Maiduguri, Borno State;

Aware that on the 26th of September 2009, Late Grace Ushang, dressed in NYSC khaki trouser, left the Corpers lodge to get food in the neighborhood, when she was attacked by unknown persons and gruesomely murdered;

Concerned that based on the report of one of the staff of NYSC in Maiduguri, some of the people who watched Grace being killed, rushed to the Corpers lodge to report the incident to the Corpers and thereafter vanished into thin air. On getting to the scene of the incident, the Corpers found Grace already dead, with a deep knife cut on her forehead, another knife cut across her eyes and yet another cut across her neck, leaving her with no chance of survival;

Further aware that the remains of the Grace Ushang were laid to rest on Wednesday, the 7th of October 2009, leaving her distraught family in pain. Curiously, Grace's murder has been shrouded in secrecy and cover ups. Some newspapers had reported her story as a case of rape. Granted that it was a case of rape, the abrasions on her face leave no one in doubt that perpetrators of the dastardly act intended murder and nothing else;

Expresses concern that up till now, the culprits are yet to be apprehended. No arrest has so far been made, and when two of Grace's relatives demanded for her police and autopsy reports, they were told the police report was not yet ready and bluntly refused access to her autopsy report;

Further observes that in recent times, Youth Corpers have become vulnerable to extremism and intolerance.

Accordingly resolves to:

- (i) *Invites* the Director General of NYSC and the state coordinator of NYSC in Borno State, to brief the relevant Senate Committee on efforts NYSC has made to ensure that the victim's assailants are arrested and prosecuted. Urge the Federal Government to provide adequate security for all Corpers and to step into the matter and ensure that the culprits are made to face the wrath of the law;
 - (ii) *Urge* the Federal Government of Nigeria to pay adequate compensation to the victim's family;
 - (iii) *Commiserate* with the government and people of Cross River State and the victim's family on this needless waste of a promising life.
3. A BILL for an Act to **ESTABLISH** the **NATIONAL FOOD RESERVE AGENCY** and for Other Matters Connected Therewith Bill, 2008 (SB. 179) – *Second Reading*
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (*Senate Leader*)
 4. A BILL for an Act to **ESTABLISH** the **NIGERIA HYDROLOGICAL SERVICES AGENCY BILL**, 2009 (SB. 177) – *Second Reading*
Senator Teslim Folarin (*Senate Leader*)

Tuesday, 20th October, 2009

1. **Re-Optimization of Tiga and Challawa Gorge Dams to Restore Human Livelihoods and Ecosystems in the Hadejajama'Are KYB Basin:**

Senator Ahmed I. Lawan (*Yobe North*)

Co-sponsors:

Sen. Bukar A. Ibrahim
Sen. Mohammed Mana
Sen. Kaka M. Yale
Sen. Suleiman Nazip
Sen. George T. Sekibo
Sen. Iyiola Omisore
Sen. Abdullahi I. Umar
Sen. Abubakar U. Argungu
Sen. Kabiru Gaya
Sen. Anthony Manzo

Sen. Adamu G. Talba
Sen. O. Mamora
Sen. Bassey Ewa-Henshaw
Sen. Mohammed Mohammed
Sen. Abdul Aziz Usman
Sen. Sahabi Ya'u
Sen. Tawar U. Wada
Sen. Patricia Akwashiki
Sen. Bello H. Gwarzo

Sen. Maina Ma'aji Lawan
Sen. Omar Hambagda
Sen. Bala A. Mohammed
Sen. Caleb Zagi
Sen. Mujtaba M. Mallam
Sen. Ibrahim Ida
Sen. Heineken Lokpobiri
Sen. Ayogu Eze
Sen. Adamu M. Bello

The Senate,

Notes that the Tiga and Challawa Gorge Dams were constructed in the upper catchments of the Hadejia River in 1976 and 1992 respectively by the Federal Government of Nigeria;

Also notes that Tiga and Challawa Gorge Dams were constructed to primarily stored water for the Kano River Irrigation Project (KRIP) Scheme Irrigation Project (HVIP) in upstream part of Hadejia River;

Further Notes that the Hadejia River is a major tributary of Yobe River, System and eventually into Lake Chad;

Concerned that as a result of the constructions of the Dams, the Hadejia River channel is now blocked, and this greatly altered the rivers naturally flow pattern. Consequently, the expected contributions of the Hadejia River in to the Yobe River IS Since lost;

Worried that the distortion in the river system and inefficient operations of the two Dams have exacerbated desertification in the affected States; with about 250, per cent of lands Jigawa, Yobe and Borno State decertified, loss of about 250, 000 km2 of fertile and viable agricultural land due to Typha grass invasion; increase in dangerous floods, with loss of 225 lives in August 2001, and displacement of hundreds of thousands of people in the basin; loss of productivity fishing grounds, whittling down the contribution of the religion to National Inland Water Fish Catch of over 7% to insignificant 0. 6%, since 2003; destroyed erstwhile vibrant human livelihoods and escalated insecurity; and heightened poverty by about 1000% as reported by Joint Wetland Livelihoods (JWL), making the religion the poorest in Nigeria for over decade, as declared by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Accordingly resolves to:

- i *Urge* the Executive arm of the Federal Government to implement the operation of the reservoirs of the two dams efficiently as determined by the “**OPTIMIZATION MODEL**” developed by the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources;
- ii *Urges* the Executive arm of the Federal Government to embark on “**RIVER TRAINING**” works through the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and water Resources, with a view to securing the original channel of the Hadejia River to enable normal flow of water to the downstream areas in Jigawa, Yobe and Borno States; and
- iii *Urges* the National Assembly to appropriate the necessary funds in the 2010Annual Appropriation to enable the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources undertake the initial **Feasibility Studies and Engineering Designs** of the project.

2. A **BILL** for an Act to **ESTABLISH** the **NIGERIAN AGRICULTURAL QUARANTINE SERVICE** and Matters Connected Therewith 2009 (SB. 180) – *Second Reading*
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (*Senate Leader*)
3. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerian Academy of Science to Promote the Growth, Acquisition and Dissemination of Scientific Knowledge and to Facilitate the Use of Science in the Solution of problems and National Interest and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2009 (SB. 283) – *Second Reading*
Senator Tawar U. Wada (*Gombe South*)

Wednesday, 21st October, 2009

1. Report of the Committee on **JUDICIARY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND LEGAL MATTERS** on the National Human Rights Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2009 (SB. 73) (*Consideration*)
Senator Umaru Dahiru (*Sokoto South*)
2. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Legal Framework for Credit Bureau Services, 2009 (SB. 245) – *Second Reading*
Senator Ayo S. Arise (*Ekiti North*)
Senator Nkechi Nwaogu (*Abia central*)
Senator Kola Bajomo (*Ogun West*)

3. A BILL for an Act to REPEAL the NATIONAL AGENCY for FOOD and DRUG ADMINISTRATION and CONTROL ACT Cap N1 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria and RE-ENACT the NATIONAL AGENCY for FOOD and DRUG ADMINISTRATION and CONTROL to ensure PROFESSIONAL REPRESENTATION, STREAMLINE OVERLAPPING FUNCTIONS with OTHER AGENCIES and INVOLVEMENT of all STAKEHOLDERS, 2009 (SB. 78) – *Second Reading*
 Senator Iyabo Obasanjo-Bello (*Ogun Central*)

Thursday 22nd October, 2009

1. The Demise of HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS, ALHAJI BILYAMINU OTHMAN the EMIR of DASS:
 Senator Bala A. Mohammed (*Bauchi South*)

Co- sponsors:

Sen. Sulaiman Nazif	Sen. Moh'd A. Mohammed	Sen. Umaru Dahiru
Sen. Ahmed Lawal	Sen. Mainamaji Lawal	Sen. Smart Adeyemi
Sen. Ayogu Eze	Sen. Umar T. Argungu	Sen. Mohammed A. Bello
Sen. Bukar Abba Ibrahim	Sen. Mohammed K. Jibril	Sen. Grace F. Bent
Sen. Joseph I. Akergerger	Sen. Ganiyu O. Solomon	Sen. Zainab Kure
Sen. Ibrahim Ida	Sen. Anthony G. Manzo	Sen. John Shagaya
Sen. Aloysius A. Etok	Sen. Kabiru Gaya	

The Senate,

Notes with sadness the death of HRH, Alhaji Bilyaminu Othman, Emir of Dass on Wednesday, 30th September, 2009 in Bauchi State at the age of 67;

Notes also that the late Emir of Dass was born in 1942 in Dass, Bauchi State and ascended the exalted throne as the of Dass on 1st February, 1977;

Further Notes that the Emir received his early education at Dass primary school between 1949 - 1953. Bauchi Primary school between 1954-1955, Prov. Secondary School, Bauchi 1956 - 1961(WASC), Prov. Secondary School, Kano 1962 - 1963(HSC), Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria (ABU) between 1964 - 1967 with Bachelor of Art Public Administration and Diploma in Urban Administration in the University of Birmingham, United Kingdom.

Observes that the Late Emir was a seasoned a broadcaster with the BBC and had held several Administrative position in the then Fika Native Authority, Maiduguri Metropolitan Authority , Tangale/Waja Local Government, Military Governor's Of fice before becoming the Chief of Dass in 1777.

Observes that Late Bilyaminu Othman was promoted to First Class Emir in recognition of his immense contribution to National Development having provided succor and solace to the common man through his positive participation in Community Development, Cooperatives, Poverty alleviation, Education and Gender Equity;

Recognizes that as a champion of the oppressed and the under-privileged, Late Bilyaminu's contribution on various State and Federal Boards, especially his patronship of some concrete Non Governmental Organizations such as Nigerian Union of Journalist (Bauchi Chapter) Peoples Club of Nigeria, Nigerian Youth Organisation and AkwaIbom Indigene Association, made him to become one of the most outstanding leaders, a catalyst and a role model of our time. He fostered and preached peace and reconciliation, self-reliance and development within our multi-ethnic and religious environment. He was married with 4 wives and 65 children;

Observes further that in recognition of his sterling qualities and legacies, his son, Othman Bilyaminu Othman has been selected as the next Emir of Dass.

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Observe* a minute silence in honour of the late Emir of Dass;
- ii. *Urge* the Federal Government to name one of the National Monuments after his name to immortalize him;
- iii. *Send* a delegation to commiserate with his family, the people and government of Bauchi State.

2. **Report of the Committee on Education:**
National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration, Bill, 2009 (SB. 123)
Senator Joy Emodi (*Anambra North*)
"That the SENATE do CONSIDER the REPORT of the COMMITTEE on EDUCATION, on the NATIONAL INSTITUTE for EDUCATIONAL PLANNING and ADMINISTRATION (NIEPA) Bill, 2009 (SB. 123).
3. A BILL for an Act to AMEND the ENERGY COMMISSION OF NIGERIA ACT TO GRANT PRIORITY TO THE PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES, AND PROVIDE FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO , 2009 (SB. 210) – *Second Reading*
Senator Dahiru A. Kuta (*Niger East*)
4. A BILL for Act to PROVIDE for RESIDENCY RIGHTS for EVERY CITIZEN of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, who has lived or RESIDED CONSECUTIVELY AND PAID TAXES TO THE RELEVANT LOCAL GOVERNMENT of the Area where such person has lived or resided for a period of not less than Five (5) Consecutive years and for any Child of such person who is less than Eighteen (18) years of age and who has lived with such citizen for the same period of time, and for Other Related Purposes 2009 (SB. 16)
Second Reading
Senator Abubakar Sodangi (*Nasarawa West*)

Tuesday 27th October, 2009

1. Report of the Ad-hoc Committee on Finance on the Financial Reporting Council Nigeria Bill, 2009 (SB.100) (*Consideration*)
Senator Ahmed Markafi (*Kaduna North*)
2. A BILL for an Act to ESTABLISH the Centre for DEMOCRATIC STUDIES and OTHER RELATED MATTERS BILL, 2009 (SB. 276) – *Second Reading*
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (*Senate Leader*)
3. A BILL for an Act to AMEND the NIGERIAN COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION ACT 2003 and for Other Purposes Connected Therewith, 2009 (SB. 210) – *Second Reading*
Senator Ehigie E. Uzamere (*Edo East*)

Wednesday 28th October, 2009

1. Report of the Committee on Education on the National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration Bill, 2009 (SB. 123) *Consideration*
Senator Joy Emodi (*Anambra South*)
2. A BILL for an Act to AMEND the CODE OF CONDUCT BUREAU and TRIBUNAL ACT CAP 15 LFN 2004 and for OTHER MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH 2009 (SB. 266) – *Second Reading*
Senator Patricia N. Akwashiki (*Nasarawa North*)

Thursday 29th October, 2009

1. **Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service:**
Chartered Institute of Management Accountants Bill, 2009 (SB. 04)
Senator Mohammed I. Ahmed (*Kwara North*)
"That the SENATE do CONSIDER the REPORT of the COMMITTEE on ESTABLISHMENT and PUBLIC SERVICE, on the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants Bill, 2009 (SB. 04)".
2. Report of the Committee on Establishment and PUBLIC SERVICE, JUDICIARY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND LEGAL MATTERS AND COMMERCE on the Nigerian Trade and Competition Commission (Establishment, etc) Bill, 2009 (SB.80) (*Consideration*)
Senator Mohammed I. Ahmed (*Kwara North*)
3. A BILL for an Act to Establish the CHARTERED INSTITUTE FOR CERTIFIED SECRETARIES AND REPORTERS OF NIGERIA, 2009 (SB. 152) – *Second Reading*
Senator Teslim K. Folarin (*Senator Leader*)