



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 2 December, 1999

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PRESENTATION OF BILL

A Bill to Repeal the National Minimum Wage (Amendment) Act No. 48 of 1990 (HB. 9) — *First Reading.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. Modernisation of Prisons in Nigeria (HM. 68):

Hon. Abubakar Sadiz Yar'Adua
Hon. Chinonyereme Macebuh
Hon. Akaninyene Eno Eyo
Hon. Samuel Obande
Hon. Aliyu Sahabi Bukuyum
Hon. Sunny Onwe
Hon. Abdul Ningi
Hon. Farouk Lawan
Hon. Agwu Nchachi
Hon. Chijioke Edoja
Hon. Isa Hassan
Hon. Bello Bagudu
Hon. Musa Nuhu Abdullahi
Hon. Lawal Yankara
Hon. Chidi Nze Duru
Hon. Bello Moriki
Hon. Zubairu S. Magori
Hon. Austin Opara
Hon. Bernard Udo
Hon. Ema Bassey
Hon. Shittu
Hon. Abdulrazak Gora
Hon. Gbenga Onigbogi
Hon. Ibrahim Zailani
Hon. Abdullahi Matori
Hon. Ja'afaru Damulak
Hon. Victor Lar
Hon. Ebuta Tangba
Hon. Bashir Bala Koko
Hon. Enoma Ogbeide
Hon. Ahmed I. Lawan
Hon. Alex Nwofe
Hon. Isa Saidu

Hon. Olaka
Hon. Patrick Ene Okon
Hon. Ibrahim Abdullahi
Hon. Lynda Chuba Ikpeazu
Hon. Ibrahim G. Abubakar
Hon. Suleiman Isiyaku
Hon. Young-Harry Adokie
Hon. Andie Clement
Hon. Usman Mohammed
Hon. Adebisi Temi Segun
Hon. Adedeji Kazeem
Hon. Onamusi Onadeko
Hon. Patricia Olubunmi Etteh
Hon. S. D. Ngada
Hon. Umar Tanko Kuta
Hon. Abubakar G. Shehu
Hon. Uchenna I. Ekwe
Hon. Cajethan Dike
Hon. Aziegbemi Anthony
Hon. H. A. B. Fasinro
Hon. Kelechi Loe Chima
Hon. Umaru Babangida
Hon. F. A. U. Okeke
Hon. Uche Nwofe
Hon. Zakarie Andir Melherbe
Hon. Jonathan Asake
Hon. Zailani Mohammed
Hon. Barau I. Jibrin
Hon. Sabi'u Hassan
Hon. Gabriel E. Oiboh
Hon. Sani M. Gusau
Hon. Mayesun Abayomi
Hon. Bewaji Wunmi

Hon. Aminu Ghali
Hon. Tony Anyanwu
Hon. B. Mamuno
Hon. Babagoni Balori
Hon. Abubakar Bawa Bwari
Hon. Gbolahan Okuneye
Hon. Hassan Jonga
Hon. Adams Jagaba
Hon. Bello Mohammed
Hon. Ned Munir Nwoko
Hon. Makwashi Abubakar
Hon. Ismaila Balarabe
Hon. Sani Bawa Argungu
Hon. Ibrahim Gwandu
Hon. Mukhtar Dikko
Hon. Emma Obi Anosike
Hon. Nduka Irabor
Hon. Chukwuemeka Chikelu
Hon. M. A. Yusuf Bunkure
Hon. Aminu Yakubu Safana
Hon. Yahaya Tanko
Hon. Obetan Okorn Obetan
Hon. Sani Abubakar Aliyu
Hon. Musa Aliyu Bindawa
Hon. Chimaobi Nwakanma
Hon. Tony Ibana Esu
Hon. Florence Diya Ayo
Hon. Iheanacho Obioma
Hon. Ibrahim Bio Isa
Hon. Monsuru Alao Owolabi
Hon. Epengule I. Mike
Hon. Abdu Haro Mashii
Hon. Sule Yari Gandi:

WHEREAS, Nigerian Prisons nation-wide have become death dungeons as a result of over-population and congestion, lack of medical services and facilities, inadequate food and water supplies and a very backward and oppressive prison system;

WHEREAS, welfare conditions of inmates are inhuman, degrading, subjugative, deplorable, compounded by insufficient funding and a neglected and unmotivated staff force;

WHEREAS, endemic corruption, misappropriation and mismanagement of prison funds have denied prisoners their fundamental right to decent prison life; and WHEREAS, recent reports indicate the existence of alarming epidemics of tuberculosis, scabies, hepatitis and Aids in our prisons, this House do ask the President, Commander-in-Chief to:

- (i) (a) urgently put in motion the necessary process that will modernise, within the next ten years, existing prison facilities and if possible immediately establish new prisons nation-wide particularly in big cities to complement existing ones;
- (b) as a matter of urgency make concerted efforts to remove all indecencies that exist in our prisons today by re-directing our prison philosophy from mere punishment to rehabilitation and promotion of morality;
- (c) make efforts to provide adequate cell rooms, sleeping facilities, good (nutritional) food, potable water and sufficient recreational, information and communication facilities in all prisons nation-wide;
- (d) improve prison funding generally;
- (e) professionalise prison service by establishing an independent and autonomous Nigeria Prison Service Commission, as it is the case with the Nigeria Police Force, the Nigeria Army, the Nigeria Customs and Excise.

This House do resolve to direct its Committee on Internal Affairs to:

- (ii) Carry-out a thorough examination of our Prison system and conduct a Public Hearing with a view to introducing far-reaching reforms into the system.

2. Restoration of NTA Coverage to the Whole of Cross River State, Benue and Beyond (HM. 69):

Hon. Mike Ogar	Hon. Partick Ene Okon	Hon. Tachia Jooji
Hon. Austine Obozuwa	Hon. Alex Ike Ezech	Hon. Dakarit I. Malherbe
Hon. N. E. Asuquo	Hon. Cajethan Dike	Hon. Fidel Ayogu
Hon. Uche-Chukwu Maduako	Hon. Obeten Okoror	Hon. Chineobi Nwakanma
Hon. Tsegba Ternku	Hon. Patrick Orok Agbor	Hon. Ebuta Tangban:

In view of the fact that Cross River State is Longitudinal in shape and that NTA Calabar is located at the extreme Southern part of the State thereby making it impossible for the signals to be received in more than two thirds of the State. Arising from this, the NTA in 1986 installed and commissioned an effective booster station equipped with a digital transmitter at Ikom which extended NTA coverage to virtually all parts of the Cross River State and beyond. Unfortunately for several years now, the booster station has been shut down and allowed to waste thereby rendering Nigerians in most parts of Cross River State and beyond uninformed of government activities and other events in the world, this House do resolve that:

- (i) in the unfolding global information age and at the threshold of a new millennium, no part of Nigeria and indeed Nigerians should be denied the right to be constantly informed especially where the equipment for achieving such goals were already available; and
- (ii) the Federal Ministry of Information and NTA in particular to immediately resuscitate and put back to use the Ikom Booster Station and any other such facility in any part of Nigeria.

3. Proposed National Resource Audit (HM. 70):

Hon. Levi Oguike, KSC	Hon. Alex Nwofe	Hon. Samuel Onazi Obande
Hon. Christopher Osuala	Hon. Chimaobi Nwakanma	Hon. C. E. Ohiagu::
Hon. Iheanacho Obioma		

In view of the fact that lack of accurate data for planning has been a major constraint in the nation's march towards full industrialisation, it has become imperative to put in place the necessary machinery/process and all other institutional framework for the procurement of a National Resource Audit, to wit; this House do urge the Federal Government to address the following:

- (i) strengthen existing institutions engaged in data procurement and management such as the Federal Office of Statistics, through update of their facilities by putting in place modern data gathering infrastructure, manpower development in terms of human capacity building and enabling environment to meet the needs of latest information technology in data sourcing, storage and retrieval;

- (ii) cause the rationalization of the functions of the Federal Office of Statistics, (FOS) the National Data Bank and the National Economic Intelligence Committee and all other institutions, associated with or engaged in national planning and development to help provide a veritable framework for resource audit, planning and management;
- (iii) create a Directorate for National Resource Audit and Management thus bringing together all the aforementioned institutions under one roof and management for cost effectiveness and harmony in co-ordination, and creation of a national inventory of assets and liabilities; and
- (iv) direct the National Directorate for Resource Audit and Management when created to conduct within 12 months, a comprehensive national resource audit to provide a veritable framework for planning and management for the benefit of the investing public and to the calculated advantage of the nation state-Nigeria thus putting in place a veritable benchmark/yardstick for performance evaluation/appraisal of governance and economic growth, thus creating an enabling environment for the much needed foreign investment which the planned privatization of key sectors of the economy is likely to engender/stimulate.

COMMITTEES

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	4.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Science and Technology	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 22 Assembly Complex
3.	Special Projects	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 21 Assembly Complex
4.	Industries	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 24 Assembly Complex
5.	Privatisation & Commercialisation	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 20 Assembly Complex
6.	FCT	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 15 Assembly Complex
7.	Police Affairs	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 14 Assembly Complex
8.	Power and Steel	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 22 Assembly Complex
9.	Banking and Currency	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 02 Assembly Complex
10.	Women Affairs	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 21 Assembly Complex
11.	Co-operation and Integration in Africa	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 04 Assembly Complex
12.	Sub-Committee on Debt Management	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 12 Assembly Complex
13.	Niger Delta	Thursday, 2 December, 1999	12.00 p.m.	Committee Room 19 Assembly Complex