



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 24 June, 1999

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NOTICES OF MOTIONS

1. **Improving the Standard of Education Nation-Wide:**
Hon. Moh'd Yahaya Birnin-Kudu:
In view of the fact that primary education is the bedrock of qualitative education, and taking into consideration the lukewarm attitude of the highly placed civil servants towards public primary schools, termed ghetto schools, meant only for the children of the poor; this House do urge the Federal Government to:
 - (i) revoke all licences for primary private schools;
 - (ii) stop all private primary schools from operating; and
 - (iii) release funds to the appropriate authority to renovate, up-date and equip all existing public primary schools with a view to improving the standard of education in the country.
2. **Proposal for Free Education up to at Least Secondary School Level (SSSC):**
Hon. Jenrade Kareem Adekunle
Hon. Gbadamosi Lateef
Hon. Taiwo Olusegun
Hon. Adeniji Tajudeen
Hon. Barau Jibrin:
In view of the importance of education in the development of any nation, Nigeria not an exception; and education being the bedrock of both Scientific and Technological Advancement of a nation; and in line with
 - (i) educational objectives of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999; Chapter 11, Section 18, Sub-Section (1), (2), (3) a, b, c, and d.
 - (ii) the fact that the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 recognises minimum educational qualification required by any Nigerian to contest any elective position to be Secondary School Certificate (SSSC) which also holds for the appointment into any Federal Councils and Commissions in Nigeria;
 - (iii) the need to prepare our youths on sound footing and for future leadership roles;

This House do urge the Federal Government to give equal and adequate educational opportunities to all Nigerian children by introducing free education up to at least Secondary School level (SSSC).
3. **Letter of Commendation to the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:**

Hon. Maduako Uchechukwu	Hon. Ehogie West-Idahosa	Hon. Okey Ude
Hon. Abdullahi Gumel	Hon. Abdulkadir Usman	Hon. Onyia C. A. Gideon
Hon. Lumumba Dah Adeh	Hon. Gabriel T. Suswam	Hon. Olaitan Oladipo:

That in view of the fact that the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria Chief Olusegun Obasanjo, has shown strong will and courage by retiring over 90 (Ninety) military officers who have in one way or the other tasted political power and all other perquisites associated with political offices is encouraging, this House therefore, do resolve to send a letter of commendation to the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

4. Proposed Nation-Wide Working Tour for the Honourable Members of the House:

Hon. Chimobi Nwakanma

Hon. Mike Ogar

Hon. C. E. Ohiagu

Hon. Enwereuzor Exe Tony

Hon. Levi Oguike

Hon. Adeyemi Oluwole

Hon. Segun Damiro

Hon. Femi Onimole

Hon. Yomi Maiyegun

Hon. Tony Gary Eneh

Hon. Kilobas A. Kere

Hon. Bala Kaoje

Hon. S. Dika Ngada

Hon. Musa Elayo:

In view of the great diversity of the Nigerian nation and in view of the need for Legislators to be armed with adequate knowledge of the different peoples and places that make up the country as imperative for understanding issues and problems peculiar to them when the need arises, to proffer the right solutions to such problems for the development of Nigeria, this House do resolve that a nation-wide working tour be organised for Members, to be undertaken in groups not exceeding six as soon as possible.

5. Provision of Subsidised Agricultural Inputs to Farmers throughout the Country:

Hon. Moses Akuha Tor Gbande

Hon. Saidu Ahmed Bojude

Hon. Prince Ned Nwoko

Hon. Tachia Jooji

Hon. Usman Babangida:

In view of the fact that we are now at the beginning of the cropping season for farmers in most parts of our Country, and considering also the fact that essential agricultural inputs are presently very expensive and beyond the reach of the ordinary farmer; however, in order to increase food security in this Country, as counseled by the President in his address to the Joint Session of the National Assembly, this Honourable House do urge the Executive arm of Government to:

(i) provide subsidised agricultural inputs to farmers, particularly the following:

(a) Fertilizers;

(b) Herbicides;

(c) Agro chemicals;

(d) Improved seeds and seedlings;

(e) Livestock and Poultry Feeds.

(ii) make adequate distribution arrangements which will ensure that the subsidised inputs get to the ordinary farmers.

6. Adoption of the 1999 Constitution as a Transitional Constitution:

Hon. Jerry Sonny Ugokwe

Hon. Oladipo Olaitan

Hon. F. O. Aladejebi

Hon. Mike Ogar

Hon. Graham Ipigansi:

In view of the fact that the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria was signed into law by a Military Regime; considering also the fact that some pertinent issues which formed the basis of the said 1999 Constitution were deleted and some introduced before its promulgation; this House do:

(i) Regard the 1999 Constitution as Transitional;

(ii) Review the provisions of the Constitution with a view to proposing necessary amendments to it;

(iii) Subject the proposed amendments to approval by democratic process.

7. Relocation of Military Formation Around the Presidential Villa, the Supreme Court and the National Assembly Complex (3 Arms Zone):

Hon. Terngu Tsegba

Hon. Gabriel Suswam

Hon. Joseph Babatunde Lakoju

Hon. S. Dika Ngada:

In view of the fact that Nigeria is a coup prone country, (Nzeogwu Jan. 1966, Gowon July, 1966, Murtala July 1975, Dimka Feb. 1976, Buhari Dec. 1983, Babangida August 1985, Vatsa 1986—attempted, Orka April 1990, Abacha Nov. 1993, Gwadabe/Bello Fadile March 1995, Phantom coup, Diya Dec. 1997 setting up and several

others uncovered but not announced) as a result of which it has experienced immense loss of lives and property, total break down of law and order, unprecedented corruption, and a civil war 1967-1970; and in order to permanently subordinate the military to civil authority, this House do urge the Federal Government to:

- (i) as a matter of urgency ensure the quick relocation of all Military Barracks surrounding the 3-Arms-Zone namely Fort IBB, Aguyi Ironsi Cantonment, Camp W. U. Bassey, Gado Nasko Barracks and Sami Abacha Barracks;
- (ii) allocate these Houses in the case of Fort IBB and Camp W. U. Bassey to Senior Civil Servants currently occupying the Legislators Quarters at Apo Village, and those living in choice Hotels at government expense;
- (iii) allocate the other houses to Junior Civil Servants who currently have no accommodation.

MOTIONS

1. Special Committee on Anambra State House of Assembly:

Hon. Mohammed Wakil (*Leader of the House*):

Whereas the 19 members of the Anambra State House of Assembly have written to the Speaker of the House of Representatives asserting the inability of the Anambra State House of Assembly to perform its legislative functions, and whereas by virtue of Section 11(4) of the Constitution, the National Assembly is empowered to make laws for the peace, order and good governance of a State when the State Assembly is unable to perform its functions by reason of a situation prevailing in that State;

Be it resolved and it is hereby resolved that:

A Special Committee be set up to investigate and report to the House within seven (7) days whether the Anambra State House of Assembly is unable to perform its functions for the purpose of enabling the National Assembly to make laws for the peace, order and good governance of Anambra State with respect to matters on which the Anambra State House of Assembly may make laws.

2. Protection of Lives and Property of the People of Umuleri, Aguleri, Onitsha and Environs:

Hon. Lynda Chuba Ikpeazu

Hon. Okey Udeh

Hon. Chukwudi Ofodile

Hon. Emma Obi Anosike

Hon. Okwudili Uzoka

Hon. Tony Anyanwu

Hon. Nze Chidi Duru

Hon. Chukwuemeka Chikelu

Hon. Bello Mohammed:

Hon. Jerry Sonny Ugokwe

Hon. N. C. Ughanze

In view of the fact that the Crisis in Umuleri, Aguleri, Onitsha and environs has led to loss of lives and property, total breakdown of law and order, economic and social instability in those areas; this House do urge the Federal Government as a matter of urgency to:

- (i) dispatch law enforcement agents to restore law and order in Aguleri, Umuleri, Onitsha and environs; and
- (ii) provide humanitarian aid to the victims.

PRESENTATION OF A BILL

Prohibition and Punishment of Bribery, Corruption and other Related Offences Bill, 1999 — *First Reading*.

ORDER OF THE DAY

Debate on the Address of the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (*Fifth Allotted Day*). (*Adjourned Debate 18 June, 1999*).