



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 31st January, 2006

1. The Senate met at 10: 15 a. m. The Senate President read Prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate President announced that he had examined the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 26th January, 2006 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were adopted.

3. **Confirmation of Nomination:**
Report of the Committee on Sports and Social Development-Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Sports and Social Development on the screening of Mrs Titlayo Oluremilekun Iroche as Director-General, National Lottery Regulatory Commission in accordance with Section 8(1)(a) of the National Lottery Act 2004 and approve the recommendation (*Senator Cosmas G. Niagwan*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report presented and Laid.

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Report of the Committee on Sports and Social Development on the screening of Mrs Titlayo Oluremilekun Iroche as Director-General, National Lottery Regulatory Commission.

Debate:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do defer further consideration of the Report till a later date (*Senator Tokunbo Afikuyomi*).

Question put and agreed to. Chair

to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Sports and Social Development on the screening of Mrs Titlayo Oluremilekun Iroche, the Presidential Nominee for the Post of Director-General, National Lottery Regulatory Commission and deferred further consideration of the Report to a later date.

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole — *Resolved in Affirmative.*

5. Confirmation of Nominee for Appointment as Minister:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do consider the request by Mr President, Commander-in-Chief for the confirmation of the nomination of Dr (Mrs.) Grace Ooja Ogwuche (Benue State) as a Minister of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in accordance with Section 147(2) of the 1999 Constitution (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to screen the Nominee (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

6. Privileges of the Floor:

Admission of the Special Adviser to the President on National Assembly Matters:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do invoke Rule 17(1) to enable it admit the Special Adviser to the President on National Assembly Matters to the floor of the Senate (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Admission of the Ministerial Nominee:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do suspend Rule 17(1) to enable it admit Dr (Mrs.) Grace Ooja Ogwuche (*Benue State*) a nominee for appointment as a Minister of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to the floor of the Senate (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Confirmation of the nomination of Dr (Mrs.) Grace Ooja Ogwuche (Benue State) as a Minister of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in accordance with section 147(2) of the 1999 Constitution.

Debate:

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole undertook screening of the Presidential nominee Dr (Mrs.) Grace Ooja Ogwuche (Benue State) for Ministerial appointment and approved the nomination.

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Confirmation of Nominee:

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Dr (Mrs.) Grace Ooja Ogwuche (Benue State) as a Minister of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?"

Resolved in Affirmative.

7. Committee on INEC:

Electoral Act (Amendment) Bill 2006 (SB. 153):

Consideration of Bill deferred till a later date.

8. Adjournment:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do adjourn till Wednesday, 1st February, 2006 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 12. 35 p. m.

Ken Nnamani
President of the Senate