



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 21st June, 2006

1. The Senate met at 10.15 a.m. The President read Prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate President announced that he had examined the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 20th June, 2006 and approved same as amended.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were adopted.
3. **Privilege Rule 14 and 15:**
Rising on Rules 14 and 15, Senator Tunde Ogbeha requested that the Senate do resolve into a Closed Session to discuss issues relevant to the workings of the Senate.

Question put and agreed to.

Closed Session	—	10: 45 a.m.
Open Session	—	10: 50 a.m.

The Senate President reported that in the Closed Session, the Senate deliberated on issues relevant to the workings of the Senate.
4. **Committee on Internal Affairs:**
Report on the Citizens Residency Rights Bill 2006 (SB. 135):
Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Internal Affairs on the Citizens Residency Rights Bill 2006 (*Senator Abubakar D. Sodangi*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.
5. **Retreat of the Association of Shoora, Senates and Equivalent Councils in Africa and Arab World:**
Report on the Retreat of the Association of Shoora Senates and Equivalent Councils in Africa and Arab World.
Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do receive the Report of the Retreat of the Association of Shoora, Senates and Equivalent Councils in Africa and Arab World held in Abuja from 5th to 6th June, 2006 (*Senator Jonathan S. Zwingina*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Presented and Laid.

6. Confirmation of Nominations:

Chairman and Members of the National Assembly Service Commission (NASC):

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President C-in-C, for the confirmation of the nominations of the following nominees, as Chairman and Members of the National Assembly Service Commission (NASC) (*Senate Deputy Majority Leader*).

(i)	Engr. Ahmed Aliyu Dogondaji	Chairman	Sokoto	North West
			Katsina	North West
(ii)	Alhaji Ibrahim S. K. Adamu	Member	Kano	North West
(Hi)	Aminu Abdulsalam Gwarzo	Member	Ekiti	South West
(iv)	Mr. Sunday Olufemi Ige	Member	Osun	South West
(v)	Mr. Olaniyan Enoch Ayoyemi	Member	Rivers	South South
(vi)	Mr. Jones Nwene Ogbonda	Member	Akwa-Ibom	South South
(vii)	Engr. Patrick Akpan Ekpodu	Member	Benue	North Central
(viii)	Hon. Ohepo Ada Ejiga	Member	Nassarawa	North Central
(ix)	Amb. Polycap Azinge	Member	Adamawa	North East
(x)	Alhaji Sa'adu Aminu	Member	Bauchi	North East
(xi)	Idi Adamu Ningi	Member	Enugu	South East
(xii)	Dr. Denis C. Nwachukwu	Member	Anambra	South East
(xiii)	Barr. Henry Udenze Ofuebe	Member	<i>(Senate Deputy Majority Leader),</i>	

Question put and agreed to.

Request accordingly referred to the Committee on Establishment and Public Matters to report within one week.

7. Confirmation of Nomination:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President C-in-C, for the confirmation of the nominations of the following nominees, as Ministers of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:

(i)	Dr. Aliyu Modibbo	Gombe State
(ii)	Mrs. Leslye Amede Obiora	Imo State
		<i>(Senate Deputy Majority Leader)</i>

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Screening of Ministerial Nominees.

Debate:

Recommendation:

Nominees recommended for confirmation:

(i)	Dr. Aliyu Modibbo (<i>Gombe State</i>)	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(ii)	Mrs. Leslye Amede Obiora (<i>Imo State</i>)	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole screened the Presidential nominees for ministerial appointments and approved the nominations.

Question, that the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole, resolved in the Affirmative.

Question put and agreed to.

Confirmation:

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Dr. Aliyu Modibbo (*Gombe State*) as a Minister of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Agreed to.*

Nomination of Dr. Aliyu Modibbo (Gombe State) as a Minister of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Mrs. Leslye Amede Obiora (*Imo State*) as a Minister of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Agreed to.*

Nomination of Mrs. Leslye Amede Obiora (Imo State) as a Minister of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

8. Extension of Time:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate, this day, do sit beyond the appointed time for sitting (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

9. Committee on Foreign Affairs:***Report on the Nigerian Hajj Commission Bill 2006 (SB. 258)***

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

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE) Report of the**Committee on Foreign Affairs on the Nigerian Hajj Commission Bill 2006**

Debate:

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO REPEAL THE NIGERIAN PILGRIMS' ACT CAP. 321, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 1990 AND ESTABLISH THE NATIONAL HAJJ COMMISSION OF NIGERIA TO BE CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LICENSING, REGULATING, PERFORMING OVERSIGHT, AND UNDERTAKING SUPERVISORY FUNCTIONS OVER AGENCIES AND OTHER BODIES; AND FOR ALL MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH.

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do rescind its previous Resolution on Clause 3 and approve the insertion of a new Sub-clause 3 (6) as follows; and re-number subsequent Subclauses:

Clause 3: Functions of the Commission:

(6) To establish and maintain a Biometric Data Bank for all intending pilgrims for the Hajj and Umrah (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*).

Question put and agreed to.

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do rescind its previous Resolution on Clause 7 and approve the re-recommended version of the Clause as follows:

"Clause 7: Hajj Savings Scheme:

(1) **The** Commission shall establish, supervise and regulate a system of Hajj Savings Schemes to be operated by the Pilgrims Welfare Board of each State and the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) for interested intending pilgrims.

- (2) The Commission shall set-up a Board of Trustees for the Savings Schemes comprising of men of high integrity who are not members of the Commission and may, as well, take such other measures as are desirable for the success of the Scheme (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*).

Question put and agreed to.

Clause 12:

Register of Pilgrims Travel Agencies:

- (1) Persons experienced in the handling of pilgrimages within the meaning of this Act may apply to the Commission for license to establish pilgrims travel agencies or if established as such by any means before the commencement of this Act they may apply for registration hereunder; and subject thereto no pilgrims travel agency shall be recognized by the Commission or be entitled to operate as an agency unless and until it is so registered under this Act.
- (2) Applications under Subsection (1) above for licenses may be made in writing to the Chairman of the Commission or Secretary of the Commission for its approval and shall be in such form as the Secretary may direct or approve;
- (3) Every applicant shall deposit with the Commission, in addition to any payment as a registration fee, an amount to be fixed from time to time by the Commission:

Committee's Recommendation;

Leave out the provisions in Subclauses 12(1), (2) and (3) and insert the following instead thereof

- "(1) A person experienced in the handling of pilgrimage within the meaning of this Bill shall apply to the Commission for a licence to establish a pilgrims travel agency, or if already established by any means before the commencement of this Bill, he shall still apply for registration.
- (2) A pilgrims travel agency shall not be recognized by the Commission or be entitled to operate as an agency unless it is registered under this Bill
- (3) An application under subsection (1) of this section for a licence may be made in writing to the Chairman for the approval at a meeting of the Commission, after due process.

Provided that if the application is refused the amount deposited (but not the registration fee) shall be returned to the applicant (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*) — *Agreed to.*

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the provisions in Subclauses 12(1), (2) and (3) and insert the following instead thereof:

"After having satisfied all due process for registration, the Commission may recognise, register and issue licence to a Travel Agency for the purposes of all travel arrangement of pilgrims as may specified by the Commission" (*Senator Lawal Shuiabu*).

Question that the amendment be made put and agreed to.

Committee's Recommendation:

Insert new Subclauses 12 (4) to (8) as follows:

- "(4) The Commission may require an applicant for a pilgrim travel agency licence to provide such information or documentation as it may deem necessary for the purpose of determining the application.
- (5) The Commission may issue to the applicant a pilgrim travel agency licence upon payment of prescribed fee and subject to such terms and conditions, as it deems fit or may, if it deems fit, refuse to issue such licence without assigning any reason therefor.
- (6) Every pilgrim travel agency licence shall, unless previously revoked, or suspended, continue in force for the duration of the period specified in the licence.
- (7) Every applicant shall lodge a security refundable deposit with the Commission, in addition to any payment as a registration fee, an amount to be fixed from time to time by the Commission as collateral.

- (8) Provided That If the application is refused the amount deposited (but not registration fee) under subsection (7) of this section shall be returned to the applicant" (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*).

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the entire provision in Subclause (6) and re-numbered accordingly (Senator Daniel I. Saror).

Question that the amendment be made put and agreed to.

Another Amendment Proposed:

Insert a new Subclause 12(7) as follows:

"Any pilgrim travel agency that have been licenced to operate shall deposit a Performance Bond from a reputable bank in the amount equivalent to any payment advanced to the agency for the airlift (*Senator Jonathan S. Zwingina*).

Question that the amendment be made put and agreed to.

- (4) The Secretary shall prepare, keep and maintain a register of every agency licensed by the Commission under this Act, and the register shall be kept in such form as the Commission may approve; and when so prepared the Secretary shall thereafter amend it from time to time as circumstances may require, and save in respect of the first pilgrimage after the commencement of this of this Act, not later than six months before the commencement of a pilgrimage. The Secretary shall, as directed by the Commission, publish the names and addresses of all agencies licensed for the purposes of the pilgrimage.

Committee's Recommendation:

Retain and re-number as new Subsection (9) (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 12 as amended do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Committee's Recommendation:

Clause 14: Penalty for Contravening Term and Condition of Licence:

1. Any pilgrim travel agent who contravenes any term or condition of his licence shall be guilty of an offence and shall pay a fine as follows:-
 - (a) in respect of a first offence, be liable to a fine of not exceeding five hundred thousand naira.
 - (b) in respect of the second offence be liable to a fine not exceeding one million naira.

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the word "fine" and insert the word "surcharge" instead thereof and wherever it occurs (Senator Tawar U. Wada).

Question that the amendment be made put and agreed to.

2. The Commission shall revoke the licence or fine any pilgrims travel agent the sum of two million naira who has been found guilty of any offence subsequent to subsection (1)(b).

Amendment Proposed:

- (i) Immediately after the word "licence" in line 1, *leave out the words "or fine"*
- (ii) Immediately after the word "agent" in line 2, *leave out the words "the sum of two million naira" (Senator David Mark),*

Question that the amendment be made put and agreed to.

3. The Commission may, upon any pilgrim travel agent being charged with an offence under subsection (1) suspend his pilgrim travel agency licence pending the disposal of the case (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*).

Question that Clause 13 as amended do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Committee's Recommendation: Insert

a new Clause 14 as follows:

"Clause 14: Obligation of Pilgrims Travel Agent where Pilgrim is abandoned in Holy Land or elsewhere:

- (1) Every pilgrim travel agency or his agent resident in Nigeria shall be responsible for the due diligent performance of the following obligations in respect of every aircraft chartered or arranged for by him for the conveyance of pilgrims to or from the Holy land.
- (2) Where any pilgrim is abandoned by the travel Agents in the Holy land or elsewhere for a period longer than forty-eight hours from the hour and date when accommodation on such aircraft was to have been available, the travel agency shall pay to the Commission or its Agent in Holy land or elsewhere such sum as the Commission may from time to time determine to be sufficient as subsistence allowances for each such pilgrim until such pilgrim has been conveyed back to Nigeria (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 14 as recommended do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 15: Delegation of Functions:

- (1) The Commission may in respect of a pilgrimage delegate any of its functions under Section 4 of this Act to the Authority charged with the responsibility for the general care and welfare of pilgrims in any of the States of the Federation or the Federal Capital Territory if satisfied that it is in the interest of the pilgrims so to do.

Committee's Recommendation:

Insert the word "appropriately" after the word "pilgrimage" in line 1 instead thereof" (Senator Jibril M. Aminu) — Agreed to.

- (2) Where the Commission delegates its functions under Subsection (1) of this section, it shall be subject to any conditions which the Commission may reasonably impose, and the agency shall be deemed to have applied for and been granted a license under this Act and the provisions as to registration shall have effect accordingly.

Committee's Recommendation:

Leave out the words "effect accordingly" in line 5, and insert the words "been complied with instead thereof" (Senator Jibril M. Aminu) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 15 as recommended do stand pan of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 16: Report of Pilgrimage by the Commission:

The Commission shall not later than three months after Arafat day prepare and submit to the President a report on the pilgrimage for each year.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 16 be retained (Senator Jibril M. Aminu) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 16 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 17: Power to defer Pilgrimages in certain case:

Where the Commission is satisfied that a person has committed any offence or misconduct specified by the Commission in the regulations made pursuant to Section 18 of this Act, the Commission may, disqualify that person from undertaking any pilgrimage organized or supervised by the Commission pursuant to this Act and the disqualification shall have effect for such period as the Commission may specify.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 17 be retained (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 17 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 18: Set Off:

If a State at any time defaults in the payment to the Commission of any amount due from the State to the Commission under this Act, the Commission shall notify the President of the default, and thereafter the Federal Government may set off the amount in respect of which default is made in or towards the payment of any sum due from the Federal Government to such State, and the Federal Government shall pay any sum so set off to the Commission.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 18 be retained (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 18 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 19: Transitional Provisions:

The Commission may, pending the licensing of travel agencies or pilgrims agencies under. Section 4 (1) of this Act, continue with the existing arrangements for the provision of accommodation and transportation services to pilgrims.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 19 be retained (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*) — *Agreed to,*

Question that Clause 19 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 20: Regulations:

The Commission may make regulations generally for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Act including:

Committee's Recommendation:

Insert a new Subclause 18(a) as follows and renumber subsequent subclauses: (a) creating and assigning functions to the Department of the Commission (Senator Jibril M. Aminu) ~ Agreed to.

- (a) provisions on matters relating to recruitment, deployment, posting, training, secondment, discipline and the general welfare of staff;
- (b) specifying offences and type of misconduct, whether committed in Nigeria or elsewhere, that would disqualify a person from undertaking any pilgrimage organized or supervised by the commission;
- (c) providing for forms for use under this Act and for the particulars to be included in applications to the Commission for licences (including notification of any change) by agencies and evidence if required to be produced in support;
- (d) providing for the fees to be paid to the Commission in respect of the issue or renewal of licences;
- (e) prescribing in respect of every pilgrims travel agency registered under this Act;
 - (i) the suitable standard of performance which the Agency is obliged to maintain in connection with the provision of services to pilgrims;

(ii) the form and nature of compensation to which any person is entitled who is affected by the failure of the agency in meeting the prescribed standard of performance; and

(Hi) The procedure by which complaints against an agency, may be dealt with effectively, justly and expeditiously;

(iv) Providing for any other matter or thing falling to be prescribed by the Commission in respect of agencies.

(2) Any regulation prescribing compensation under Subsection (1) (d) (iii) of this section shall apply without prejudice to any other remedy that may be available in respect of the act or omission which constitutes the failure described in that subsection,

(3) Regulations may also provide for the exclusion or removal as the case may be from the register of names of agencies which fail to pay license fees, or renewal of license fees.

(4) Regulations when made shall be published in the Federal Gazette and in such other manner as the Commission may direct (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 20 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 21: Repeal:

Subject to section 6 of the Interpretation Act, the Nigerian Pilgrims Commission Act is hereby repealed and the assets and liabilities of the Commission established by the said Act are hereby transferred to the Commission established by this Act.

Committee's Recommendation:

Leave out the provision in Clause 21 (Senator Jibril M. Aminu) — Agreed to.

Clause 22: Interpretation:

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:

"Agency" means a Pilgrims Welfare Board/Agency of any of the States in the Federation including a Pilgrims Agency licensed under this Act:

Question, That the word "Agency" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"Arafat day" means the 9th day of the lunar calendar month of **Dhul** Hijja or such day as may be designated as "Arafat day" by the appropriate authorities of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia;

Question, That the words "Arafat day " be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"Chairman" or "member" means the persons so appointed by the President pursuant to Section 2 (2) of this Act;

Question, That the words "Chairman or member" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"Commission" means the body established under Section 1 of this Act;

Question, That the word "Commission" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"Corporate" or "corporation" means any association of persons incorporated under the Companies and Allied Matters Act or a body established by an Act of the National Assembly or by Law of a House of Assembly of a State;

Question, That the word "Corporate" or "corporation" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"Functions" includes duties;

Question, That the word "functions " be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"Non-corporate" means any group or body of persons that is not incorporated;

Question, That the word "Non-corporate" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"Person" means, without derogating from the definition in the Interpretation Act, any natural person or group or group of persons corporate or non-corporate;

Question, That the word "Person" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"President" means the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Nigerian Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria;

Question, That the word "President" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"Secretary" means the Chief Executive Officer of the Commission; and

Committee's Recommendation:

"Secretary" means the Secretary of the Commission appointed under new Section 8 of this Act. (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*).

Question, That the word "Secretary" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

Committee's Recommendation:

Insert a new word "Minister" means the Federal Minister for the time being in charge of matters connected with the Hajj and Umrah (*Senator Jibril M. Aminu*).

Question, That the word "Secretary" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

"State" means any State Government, or organ of such a State Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Question, That the word "State" be as defined in the Interpretation to this Act, put and agreed to.

It Is Hereby declared in this Act:

Any reference to the singular shall include the plural and vice versa.

Any reference to a male person shall include reference to a female person and vice versa.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 22 be retained (*Senator Jibril Aminu*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 22 as recommended do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 23:**Citation:**

This Act may be cited as the Nigeria Hajj Commission **Bill**, 2005.

Committee's Recommendation:

Leave out the provision in Clause 23 and *insert* the following instead thereof:

"This Act may be cited as the National Hajj Commission of Nigeria (NAHCON) Bill 2006" (*Senator Jibril Aminu*) — *Agreed to*.

Question that Clause 23 as recommended do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

SCHEDULE**Section 2(5)****SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE COMMISSION****Proceedings of the Commission**

1. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Commission may make standing orders regulating the proceedings of the Commission or of any committee thereof.

- (2) The quorum at any meeting of the Commission shall be seven members,

Committee's Recommendation:

Leave out the word "seven members" and *insert* the words "one third of the membership plus one" (*Senator Jibril Aminu*).

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the word "plus one" (*Senator Usman K. Umar*).

Question that the amendment be made put and agreed to.

- (3) The Chairman shall preside at all meetings at which he is present and in his absence the members present may elect one of their number in attendance to be chairman at meeting.
- (4) Questions for determination shall be decided by the majority of the votes of members present and voting and every member other than a co-opted member shall have a deliberative vote for the purpose; so-however that in the event that the votes are equal the Chairman shall have, in addition to his deliberative vote, a casting vote.
- (5) The Commission shall meet not less than twice in any year and subject to the provisions of any standing orders of the Commission, it shall meet at other times according as it is summoned by the Chairman, and if the Chairman is required to do so by notice in writing given to him by no less than five other members, he shall summon a meeting of the Commission to be held within fourteen days from the date on which the notice is given.
- (6) Where the Commission desires to obtain the advice of any person on a particular matter, the Commission may co-opt that person as a member for such period as it thinks fit; but a person who is a member by virtue of this subparagraph shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Commission, and shall not count towards a quorum.
- (7) The first meeting of the Commission shall, notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, be summoned by me President who may give such directions as he thinks fit as to the procedure to be followed at the meeting

Question that Section 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 under the Head "Proceedings of the Commission" stand part of the Schedule to the Bill — Agreed to

Committees

- (8) (a) The Commission may appoint one or more committees either standing or ad hoc to carry out, on its behalf such functions as the Commission may determine.
- (b) A committee appointed under this paragraph shall consist of the number of persons to be determined by the Commission and any committee so appointed may co-opt any person whose advice is desired as a member but the co-opted member shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the committee and shall not count towards a quorum.

Question that Section 8 (a) and (b) under the Head "Committees" stand part of the Schedule to the Bill — Agreed to

Miscellaneous

- (9) The fixing of the seal of the Commission shall be authenticated by the signature of the Chairman or of some other member authorized generally or specially by the Commission to act for that purpose.
- (10) Any document purporting to be a document duly executed under the seal of the Commission shall be signed by the Chairman and the Secretary and shall be received in evidence and shall, unless the contrary is proved be deemed to be so executed.
- (11) The validity of any proceeding of the Commission or a committee thereof shall not be adversely affected by any vacancy in the membership of the Commission or committee, or by any defect in the appointment of a member of the Commission or of a person to serve on the committee, or by reason that a person not entitled to do so took part in the proceedings.
- (12) A member of the Commission who has a personal interest in any contract or arrangement entered into or proposed to be considered by the Commission or a committee thereof shall forthwith disclose his interest to the Commission and shall not vote on any question relating to the contractor arrangement.
- (13) A person shall not, by reason only of his membership of the Commission, be treated as holding an office in the public service of the Federation or of a State.
- (14) No member of the commission shall be personally liable for any act or default of the Commission done or omitted to be done in good faith in the course of the operations of the Commission.

Question that Section 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 under the Head "Miscellaneous " stand part of the Schedule to the Bill — Agreed to

Chairman to report Bill.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole resumed consideration of the Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on National Hajj Commission of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill 2006: rescinded the resolution on new Clauses 3 and 7 and approved as follows:

Clauses 12-14	—	As Amended.
Clauses 15-18	—	As Recommended.
Clause 19	—	As Amended.
Clauses 20-22	—	As Amended.
Schedule	—	As Amended.
Title	—	As Recommended.

Question, that the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of Whole, resolved in the Affirmative.

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Bill be read the Third Time (Senate Majority Leader).

Question put and agreed to. Bill accordingly read the Third Time and passed.

10. Adjournment:

And it being 2:25 p.m. the Senate has adjourned till Thursday, 22nd June, 2006 at 10.00 a.m.

Adjourned accordingly at 2: 25 p. m.

Ken Nnamani
President of the Senate