



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 6th September, 2006

1. The Senate met at 11:40 a.m. The Senate President read Prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate President announced that he had examined the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 5th September, 2006 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were adopted.

3. **Announcement:**
The Senate President announced that in continuation of the on-going 52nd Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Conference, there would be a dinner at the State House tonight at 7.00 p.m. All Senators were requested to assemble at the Senate President's residence by 6.30 p.m. for onward journey to the State House. All necessary security clearance would be done at the Senate President's residence. He implored all Senators to be punctual.

4. **Privileges of the Floor:**

- (i) *Admission of Special Assistant to the President on National Assembly Matters:*
Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do invoke Rule 17 to admit the Special Assistant to the President on National Assembly Matters, Senator Florence Ita-Giwa, to the floor of the Senate (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

- (ii) *Admission of Inspector-General of Police:*
Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do suspend Rule 17 to admit the Inspector-General of Police to the floor of the Senate (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Extension of Time of Sitting:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do sit beyond the time appointed for the termination of its proceedings this 6th day of September, 2006 (*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 receive briefing from the Inspector-General of Police (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Briefing by the Inspector-General of Police on the recent high profile assassinations and the security situation in the country.

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole was briefed by the Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Sunday Ehindero. The Inspector-General of Police addressed various issues ranging from arms proliferation, cultism, recent assassinations in some parts of the country, ethnic militia and vigilante groups, the role of the Police in the 2007 elections, manpower problem in the Police Force and Police Public Relation Committees.

The President also stated that the Inspector-General of Police also responded to various questions from Distinguished Senators on issues which emanated from the briefing and others.

The Senate thereafter urged the Inspector-General of Police to step up investigation into the various assassinations and to stem the rising wave of crime in the country.

5. Adjournment:

And it being 3.20 p.m. the Senate President adjourned the Senate till Thursday, 7th September, 2006 at 10.00 a.m.

Adjourned accordingly at 3.20p.m.

Ken Nnamani

President of the Senate