



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 19th July, 2007

1. The Senate met at 10: 55 a.m. The Senate President read prayers.
2. Votes and Proceedings:
The Senate President announced that he had examined the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 18th July, 2007 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. Announcements:

(A) *Senate Condolence Delegation to Zamfara State:*

The Senate President announced the Senate delegation to Zamfara State to condole Senator Hassan Mohammed Gusau on the death of his senior wife as follows:

Senator Mahmud Kanti Bello	—	Leader of Delegation
(i)		Member
(ii)	Senator Ahmad I. Lawan	Member
(iii)	Senator Omar A. Hambagda	Member
(iv)	Senator Smart Adeyemi	Member
(v)	Senator Umaru Dahiru	Member
(vi)	Senator Ahmad Rufa'i Sani	Member
(vii)	Senator Ahmed Mohammed	Member
(viii)	Senator Munirudeen Adekunle Muse	Member
(ix)	Senator Ikechukwu John Obiorah	Member
(x)	Senator Aloysms Akpan Etok	Member
(xi)	Senator Zaynab Kure	Member

The Senate President further stated that the delegation will under-take the assignment on Friday, 20th July, 2007.

- 0) The Senate President acknowledged the presence of the Staff and Pupils of Community Nursery and Primary School, Asokoro, Abuja, who were in the gallery to observe Senate proceedings.

4. Confirmation of Nominees for Ministerial Appointment:
Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to resume the consideration of the request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, for confirmation of the nominations of the following persons as Ministers of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:

(i)	Hassan Alhaji Haruna	—	Jigawa State
(ii)	Ibrahim Dasuki Nakande	—	ANPP (Plateau)
(in)	Michael Kaase Aondoakaa (SAN)	—	Benue State
(iv)	Mr. Olatunde Emmanuel Odusina	—	Ekiti State
(v)	Mrs. Adenike Grange	—	Lagos State

(Senate Majority Leader).

Question put and agreed to.

5. Privileges of the Floor:
 (i) *Admission of Special Adviser to Mr President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, on National Assembly Matters and Senator El-Jibril Doguwa:*
Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do invoke Rule 17(1) to admit the Special Adviser to Mr President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, on National Assembly Matters, Senator Florence Ita-Giwa and Senator El-Jibril Doguwa to the floor of the Senate (Senate Majority Leader).

Question put and agreed to.

- (ii) *Admission of Ministerial Nominees:*
Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do suspend Rule 17(1) to admit the Ministerial nominees to the floor of the Senate (Senate Majority Leader).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

(Screening of Ministerial Nominees)

Nominees screened:

(i)	Hassan Alhaji Haruna	—	Jigawa State
(ii)	Ibrahim Dasuki Nakande	—	ANPP (Plateau)
(iii)	Michael Kaase Aondoakaa (SAN)	—	Benue State

Motion made and Question Proposed: And it being 1.45 p.m. the Senate Majority Leader moved that the Chairman do report progress {Rule 13(3)}.

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole screened the underlisted Ministerial nominees:

(i)	Hassan Alhaji Haruna	—	Jigawa State
(ii)	Ibrahim Dasuki Nakande	—	ANPP (Plateau)
(iii)	Michael Kaase Aondoakaa (SAN)	—	Benue State

Extension of Time of Sitting:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do sit this day beyond the appointed time of sitting (*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 resume the public screening of the Ministerial nominees (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Screening resumed:

~~-Nominees~~ screened:

(i) Mr. Olatunde Emmanuel Odusina — Ekiti State

(ii) Mrs. Adenike Grange — Lagos State

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole screened the underlisted Ministerial nominees:

(i) Mr. Olatunde Emmanuel Odusina — Ekiti State

(ii) Mrs. Adenike Grange — Lagos State

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do suspend sitting and reconvene at 4:00 p.m. to resume the public screening exercise (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Sitting Suspended — **2. 50 p.m.**

Sitting Resumed — **4. 05 p.m.**

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to resume the public screening of the Ministerial nominees (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Approval and confirmation of Ministerial nominees:

Debate:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Chairman do report progress (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole, resolved that the approval and confirmation of the Ministerial nominees be deferred till Tuesday, 24th July, 2007.

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

6. Adjournment:

And it being 4:50 p.m. the Senate President adjourned the Senate till Tuesday, 24th July, 2007 at 10:00 a. m.

Adjourned accordingly at 4:50 p.m.

David A. B. Mark
President of the Senate