



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 1st July, 2008

1. The Senate met at 10.25 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 June, 2008 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Announcement:**
The Senate President named the underlisted Senators as Conferees on the Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Bill 2008 as follows:

(i)	Senator Felix K. Bajomo	—	Chairman
(ii)	Senator Anthony O. Agbo	—	Member
(iii)	Senator Emmanuel E. Paulker	—	Member
(iv)	Senator Ahmed M. Maccido	—	Member
(v)	Senator Bukar Abba Ibrahim	—	Member
(vi)	Senator Adamu M. Sidi-Ali	—	Member

4. **Privileges:**
Senator Abaribe H. Enyinnaya, rising on Order 15 of the Senate Standing Rules, invited the attention of the Senate to the arrest in the National Assembly of some persons who had come to testify before the Committee on Aviation by officials of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC). Senator Enyinnaya condemned the action and urged the Senate to advise officials of the EFCC to desist from such embarrassment of witnesses invited by the National Assembly or its Committees.

Debate:

Ruling:

The Senate President ordered that persons suspected of committing any crime should not be chased into the National Assembly.

5. Presentation of Bill:

Environmental Managers Registration Council of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill 2008 (SB. 6) —
Read the First Time.

6. Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) (SB. 121):

Motion made: That the Bill for an Act to provide for the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) the total sum of N79,404, 000,000 (Seventy Nine Billion, Four Hundred and Four Million Naira Only) of which the sum of N3,025,460,000.00k (Three Billion and Twenty Five Million, Four Hundred and Sixty Thousand Naira Only) is for Personnel Expenditure and the sum of N3, 895,500,000.00k (Three Billion, Eight Hundred and Ninety Five Million, Five Hundred Thousand Naira Only) is for Recurrent Expenditure also the sum of N1 ,011,810,000.00 (One Billion and Eleven Million, Eight Hundred and Ten Thousand Naira Only) is for Capital Expenditure while the balance of N71,471,230,000.00 (Seventy One Billion, Four Hundred and Seventy One Million, Two Hundred and Thirty Thousand Naira Only) is for Project (Development) Expenditure for the year ending 31st day of December 2008 be read the Second Time (*Senate Leader*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Niger Delta to report within 1 week.

7. Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Bill 2008 (SB. 100):

Motion made: That the Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigerian Accounting Standards Board Act 2003 (No. 22 of 2003) and enact the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Bill 2008 be read the Second Time (*Senator Joel Danlami Ikenya*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Commerce to report within 1 week.

8. Environmental Health Bill 2008 (SB. 11):

Consideration of the Bill deferred to another legislative day.

9. Adjournment:

Motion made: That the Senate do adjourn till Wednesday, 2nd July, 2008 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 12.55 p.m.