



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 3rd July, 2008

1. The Senate met at 10.30 a.m. The Deputy Senate President read prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Deputy Senate President announced that he had examined the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 2nd July, 2008 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Personal Explanation:**
Rising on Order 43, Senator Joy Emodi drew the attention of the Senate to the on-going Nigerian Union of Teachers nationwide strike. She informed the Senate that the Committee on Education had held meetings with the stakeholders and that she would brief the Senate further after the Committee's meeting with the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
4. **Matter of Urgent Public Importance:**
Rising on Order 42, Senator Kabiru Gaya invited the attention of the Senate to the high price of diesel and its adverse effect on the economy. He sought and obtained leave of the Senate for the matter to be debated the next legislative day.

Matter to stand over to the next legislative day (Rule 42(2)).

5. **Presentation of Bill:**
Consumer Protection Council Act (Amendment) Bill 2008 (SB. 101) — *Read the First Time*

6. **Report of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Millennium Development Goals, on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)**

Motion made: That the Senate do receive the Report of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Millennium Development Goals, on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) (*Senator Mahmud Kanti Bello*)

Question put and agree to.

Report accordingly Laid.

7. Committee on Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs:***Report on the screening of a nominee:***

Motion made: That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs, on the screening of Saidu Dambala Adamu (Kaduna State), as a Commissioner in the Federal Character Commission (FCC) (*Senator Smart Adeyemi*).

Question put and agree to.

Report presented and Laid.

Recommendation:

That the Senate do approve the recommendation therein.

Motion made; That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Consideration of the Report of the Committee on Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs, on the screening of Saidu Dambala Adamu (Kaduna State).

Nominee Recommended;

Saidu Dambala Adamu

Debate:

Question:

"Will the Committee approve the nomination of Saidu Dambala Adamu (Kaduna State), as a Member of the Federal Character Commission?"* — *Agreed to.*

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Deputy Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole, considered the Report of the Committee on Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs, on the screening of Saidu Dambala Adamu (Kaduna State) as a Member of the Federal Character Commission and approved the recommendation.

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 Saidu Dambala Adamu (Kaduna State), as a Member of the Federal Character Commission?" — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Saidu Dambala Adamu (Kaduna State), as a Member of the Federal Character Commission accordingly confirmed.

8. Nigeria Investment Fund (Establishment) Bill 2008 (SB.79)

Consideration of Bill deferred to another legislative day.

9. Adjournment:

Motion made: That the Senate do adjourn till Tuesday, 8th July, 2008 at 10.00 a.m. (Senate Leader).

Adjourned accordingly at 11.35 a.m.

Ike Ekweremadu, CFR
Deputy Senate President