



## SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 10th December, 2008

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1. The Senate met at 10.50 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 Thursday, 4th December, 2008 and approved same.

*By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were approved.*

3. **Matter of Urgent Public Importance:**  
Rising on Rule 42, Senator Felix K. Bajomo drew the attention of the Senate to the rapid depreciation of the naira and the attendant consequence of capital flight. He sought the leave of the Senate to present a Motion on the matter.

*Question that the matter be debated, put and agreed to.*

*Matter to stand over to the next legislative day.*

4. **Privileges of the Floor:**
  - (i) *Admission of Special Advisers on National Assembly Matters to Mr President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces:*  
*Motion made:* That the Senate do invoke Rule 17(1) to admit the Special Advisers on National Assembly Matters to Mr President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, Senator Abba Aji and Hon. Cairo Ojughana to the floor of the Senate (*Senate Leader*).

*Question put and agreed to.*

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

*Question put and agreed to.*

5. **Confirmation of Nominees for Ministerial Appointment:**  
*Motion made:* That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to resume consideration of the request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief for the screening of the underlisted nominees for appointment as Ministers of the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:

| S/N | Name                           |   | State                             |
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| 1.  | Mr. Babatunde Omotoba          | — | Ekiti                             |
| 2.  | Senator Muhammad Adamu Aliero  | — | Kebbi                             |
| 3.  | Mr. Humphrey Enemakwu Abah     | — | Kogi                              |
| 4.  | Mrs. Salamat Hussaini Suleiman | — | Kebbi                             |
| 5.  | Alhaji Abdulrahman Adamu       | — | Adamawa ( <i>Senate Leader</i> ). |

*Question put and agreed to.*

**(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)**

**(Screening of Ministerial Nominees)**

Nominees screened:

(1) Senator Muhammad Adamu Aliero (Kebbi State)

**(Senate President in Chair — 11: 25 a.m.)**

(2) Mr. Babatunde Omotoba (Ekiti State)

(3) Mr. Humphrey Enemakwu Abah (Kogi State)

(4) Mrs. Salamat Hussaini Suleiman (Kebbi State)

*Motion made:* That the Senate do resume in a Plenary Session (*Senate Leader*).

*Question put and agreed to.*

**(SENATE IN PLENARY)**

**Extension of Time of Sitting:**

*Motion made:* That the Senate this day do sit beyond the appointed time for the termination of the sitting of the Senate {Rule 13} (*Senate Leader*).

*Question put and agreed to.*

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

*Question put and agreed to.*

**(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)**

**Resumption of screening of nominees:**

Nominee screened:

Alhaji Abdulrahman Adamu (Adamawa State)

Chairman to report progress.

**(SENATE IN PLENARY)**

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole conducted public screening of the underlisted Ministerial nominees for confirmation:

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| (1) | Senator Muhammad Adamu Aliero   | — | Kebbi State   |
| (2) | Mr. Babatunde Omotoba           | — | Ekiti State   |
| (3) | Mr. Humphrey Enemakwu Abah      | — | Kogi State    |
| (4) | Mrs. Salamatu Hussaini Suleiman | — | Kebbi State   |
| (5) | Alhaji Abdulrahman Adamu        | — | Adamawa State |

*Question*, that the Report of the Committee of the Whole be approved — *Resolved in the Affirmative*.

**7. Adjournment:**

And it being 2.45 p.m. the Senate President adjourned the Senate till Thursday, 11th December, 2008 at 10.00 a.m.

*Adjourned accordingly at 2.45p.m.*

**David A. B. Mark, GCON**  
*President,*  
*Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.*