



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 2nd April, 2009

1. The Senate met at 10.40 a.m. The Senate President read prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate President announced that he had examined the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 1st April, 2009 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Messages from Mr. President:**
The Senate President announced that he had received three letters from the President, Commander-in-Chief which he read as follows:

(A)



PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

19th March, 2009

Senator David Mark, GCON
President of the Senate,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Dear Brother,

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER OF THE POLICE SERVICE COMMISSION

The Police Service Commission is one of the Federal Executive Bodies established under Section 153(1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria. By the provision of Part 1M of the THIRD SCHEDULE of the 1999 Constitution, the Commission shall comprise a Chairman and such number of other persons not less than seven (7) but not more than nine (9) as may be prescribed by Act of the National Assembly.

Section 2(1) of the Commission's enabling Act also provides that the Commission shall comprise:

- (i) a Chairman who shall be the Chief Executive of the Commission;
- (ii) a retired Justice of the Supreme Court or Court of Appeal;
- (iii) a retired Police Officer not below the rank of Commissioner of Police;
- (iv) one representative from each of the following: Women Interest, the Nigerian Press, Non-Governmental Human Rights Organizations in Nigeria, Organized Private Sector (Part-Time Members); and
- (v) the Secretary of the Commission

In this connection, there is a vacant position in the membership of the Commission following the death of Hon. Justice A. O. Ejiwunmi, a full-time member of the Police Service Commission. I have, therefore, in the exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, decided to appoint Hon. Justice S. A. Akintan, a retired Justice of Supreme Court as a suitable replacement.

In line with the provision of Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria which states that the appointment shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate, I hereby present Hon. Justice S. A. Akintan whose curriculum Vitae (CV) is attached herewith for the Senate's kind consideration and confirmation, please.

Yours Sincerely,

Signed:

UMARU MUSA YAR'ADUA

(B)



PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

March 24, 2009

Distinguished Senator David Mark,
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Abuja.

Dear Brother,

**REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF TARABA STATE
REPRESENTATIVE IN THE REVENUE MOBILIZATION,
ALLOCATION AND FISCAL COMMISSION**

The Revenue Mobilisation, Allocation and Fiscal Commission is one of the Federal Executive Bodies established under Section 153(1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria. By the provision of Part 1 (N) of the Third Schedule of the Constitution, the Commission shall comprise a Chairman and one member from each State of the Federation and the Federal

Capital Territory, Abuja. In this connection, the tenure of the Taraba State representative in the Commission has expired.

I have, therefore, in the exercise of the powers conferred on me by Sections 154(1) and 156(3) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria decided to reappoint Mr. Useni Gangum whose Curriculum Vitae is attached herewith as a member of the Revenue Mobilisation, Allocation and Fiscal Commission representing Taraba State for another term of five (5) years.

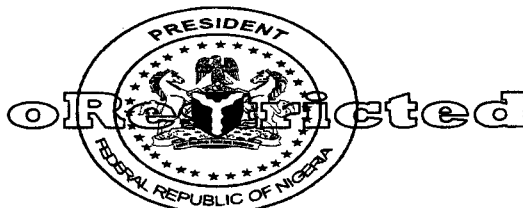
In accordance with the provision of Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution which states that the appointment shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate, I hereby present Mr. Useni Gangum for the kind consideration and confirmation by the Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Yours Sincerely,

Signed:

UMARU MUSA YAR'ADUA

(C)



PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

19th March, 2009

Senator David Mark, GCON
President of the Senate,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Dear Brother,

**CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER OF
THE INDEPENDENT CORRUPT PRACTICES AND
OTHER RELATED OFFENCES COMMISSION (ICPC)**

Section 3(3) of the Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Act 2000 provides that the Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission shall consist of a Chairman and twelve (12) other members, two of whom shall come from each of the six geo-political zones. In this connection, there is a vacancy in the composition of the Commission.

I have, therefore, in the exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 3(6) of the Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Act, 2000, decided to appoint Mr. Bako Abdullahi as a member of the Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission.

In line with the provision of Section 3(6) of the Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Act, which states that the appointment shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate, I hereby forward the nomination of Mr. Bako Abdullahi whose CV is attached herewith for the Senate's kind consideration and confirmation, please.

Yours Sincerely,

Signed:

UMARU MUSA YAR'ADUA

4. Announcement:**Acknowledgement:**

The Senate President acknowledged the presence of the following who were in the gallery to observe Senate proceedings:

- (a) Members of National Association of Political Science Students, University of Abuja, FCT; and
- (b) Students of Department of Architecture, University of Jos, Plateau State.

5. Committee on National Identity Card and National Population:**Report on the screening of nominees:**

Motion made: That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on National Identity Card and National Population on the screening of Alhaji Abdullahi Abarshi Muhammed (Kebbi State) and Yusuf Mohammed Anka (Zamfara State) as Commissioners in the National Population Commission (NPC).

Question put and agreed to.

Report presented and laid.

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

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)**Recommendation:****Nominees recommended for confirmation:**

- (i) Alhaji Abdullahi Abarshi Muhammed (Kebbi State) — Member — *Agreed to.*
- (ii) Yusuf Mohammed Anka (Zamfara State) — Member — *Agreed to.*

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on National Identity Card and National Population on the screening of Alhaji Abdullahi Abarshi Muhammed (Kebbi State) and Yusuf Mohammed Anka (Zamfara State) as Commissioners in the National Population Commission (NPC) and approved the recommendations.

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

Confirmation of nomination:**Question:**

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Alhaji Abdullahi Abarshi Muhammed (Kebbi State) as a Commissioner in the National Population Commission (NPC)?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Alhaji Abdullahi Abarshi Muhammed (Kebbi State) as a Commissioner in the National Population Commission (NPC) accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Yusuf Mohammed Anka (Zamfara State) as a Commissioner in the National Population Commission (NPC)?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Yusuf Mohammed Anka (Zamfara State) as a Commissioner in the National Population Commission (NPC) accordingly confirmed.

6. **Committee on Ethics, Code of Conduct and Public Petitions:**
Report on the Arrest and Torture to death of Friday Uvianene and the Premature Retirement of Mrs. Faith E.E. Umoh:

Consideration of Report deferred to another legislative day.

7. **River Basins Development Authorities (Establishment, etc.) Act (Amendment) Bill 2009 (SB. 134):**

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to Amend the Provisions of the River Basins Development Authorities Act 2009 be read the Second Time (*Senator Ike Ekweremadu*).

Question put and agreed to.

Debate.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Water Resources to report within 3 weeks.

8. **Chartered Institute of Cost and Management Accountants of Nigeria Bill 2009 (HB.72):**
Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Cost and Management Accountants of Nigeria and for matters connected therewith 2009 be read the Second Time (*Senator Teslim Folarin*).

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Establishment and Public Service to report within 3 weeks.

9. **Liquefied Petroleum Gas Council of Nigeria (Establishment, etc.) Bill 2009 (SB. 99):**

Consideration of Bill deferred to another legislative day.

10. **Adjournment:**

Motion made: That the Senate do adjourn till Wednesday, 15th April, 2009 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 12.20 p.m.

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