



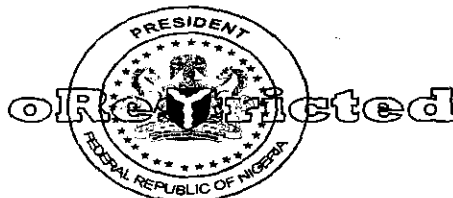
SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 17th November, 2009

1. The Senate met at 10.15 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, 5th November, 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 Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief which he read as follows:
(A)



PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

November 3, 2009

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

Dear Brother,

2010 APPROPRIATION BILL

In compliance with Section 81 (1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, I crave the indulgence of the National Assembly to grant me the slot of 11:00 am on Thursday, 19th November, 2009 to formally address the Joint Session of the National Assembly on Budget 2010.

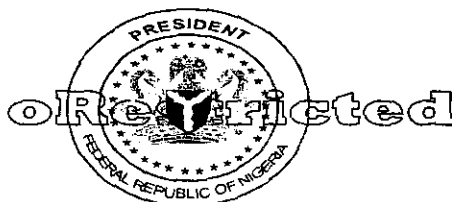
While I thank the Distinguished Members of the Senate of the Federal Republic for the constancy of your cooperation and understanding, please accept, Distinguished Senate President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Signed:

UMARU MUSA YAR'ADUA

(B)



**PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

November 2, 2009

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

Dear Brother,

**CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF JUSTICE OF
NIGERIA, AND PRESIDENT, COURT OF APPEAL**

In conformity with Section 231, Sub-section (1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria which gives the President powers to appoint a Chief Justice of Nigeria, and President of Court of Appeal acting on the recommendation of the National Judicial Council and subject to confirmation of the appointment by the Senate, I have the honour to forward the under-mentioned names for confirmation:

- (i) *Honourable Justice Aloysius Iyorgyer Katsina-Alu, CON for appointment as Chief Justice of Nigeria; and*
- (ii) *Honourable Justice I. A. Salami, OFR for appointment as President of the Court of Appeal*

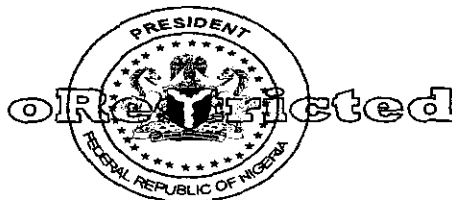
It is my hope that this request will receive the usual expeditious attention of the Distinguished Members of the Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Yours sincerely,

Signed:

UMARU MUSA YAR'ADUA

(C)



**PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

November 9, 2009

*Distinguished Senator David Mark, GCON
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja*

Dear Brother,

CONFIRMATION OF NOMINEE

You may wish to recall that in your letter NASS/CS/R/04/65 of 30th July 2009 conveying the confirmation of nominees for appointment as Chairman and Members of the Governing Board of the Niger Delta Development Commission, the nomination of Mr. Aloysius Nwagboso earlier submitted as a part-time member representing Abia State was not confirmed.

I am therefore presenting Dr. Sir. Ogbonna Jacob Anuriegbu, whose Curriculum Vitae is attached herewith as a replacement for Mr. Aloysius Nwagboso.

In line with the provision of Section 2(2)(a) of the NDDC Act, 2000, I hereby present the nominee for confirmation by the Senate in consultation with the House of Representatives.

While hoping that the confirmation will receive the usual expeditious consideration and passage by the Distinguished Senators, please accept, Mr. Senate President, the assurance of my highest regards.

Yours sincerely,

Signed:

UMARU MUSA YAR'ADUA

4. Announcements:

(i) Screening of Auditor-General for the Federation:

The Senate President read a letter from Senator Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan as follows:



THE SENATE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
Committee on Public Accounts
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
P. M. B. 141, Garki - Abuja, Nigeria

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17TH NOVEMBER 2009

*The Senate President,
Senate Chamber,
National Assembly Complex,
Abuja.*

ANNOUNCEMENT

This is to inform Distinguished Senators that the screening of Mr Samuel T. Ukura, Presidential nominee for the post of Auditor-General for the Federation, is scheduled to hold as follows:

Date: Tuesday, 17th November, 2009

Venue: Senate Hearing Room 4

Time: 2.00 p.m.

Signed:

Senator Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan

(ii) **Acknowledgement:**

The Senate President acknowledged the presence of Staff and Pupils of Loving Hands Daycare, Nursery and Primary School, Dutse Alhaji, Abuja who were in the gallery to observe Senate proceedings.

5. Confirmation of nomination:

Motion made: That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Federal Republic for the confirmation of the nomination of Professor Adebowale I. Adefuye, as an Ambassador of the Federal Republic (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Request accordingly referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs to report within one and half weeks.

6. Request for Virement:

Motion made: That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Federal Republic for virement proposals in respect of 2009 Appropriation Act for the under-listed Ministries:

- (i) Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources;
- (ii) Federal Ministry of Aviation;
- (iii) Federal Ministry of Defence;
- (iv) Ministry of Federal Capital Territory Administration;
- (v) Federal Ministry of Health;
- (vi) Federal Ministry of Interior;
- (vii) Federal Ministry of Niger-Delta Affairs;
- (viii) Federal Ministry of Power;
- (ix) Federal Ministry of Science and Technology; and
- (x) Federal Ministry of Works, Housing and Urban Development (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Request accordingly referred to the Committees on Appropriation and Finance to report within one week.

7. Supplementary Appropriation Act 2009:

Motion made: That the Senate do receive and consider the request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Federal Republic for the approval of the Supplementary Appropriation Act 2009 (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Request accordingly referred to the Committees on Appropriation and Finance to report within one week.

8. Nigeria Hydrological Services Agency Bill 2009 (SB. 177):

Motion made: That the Bill for an Act to establish the Nigeria Hydrological Services Agency 2009 be read the Second Time (*Senator Teslim K. Folarin — Oyo Central*).

Question put and agreed to.

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

9. Energy Commission of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill 2009 (SB. 311):

Motion made: That the Bill for an Act to amend the Energy Commission of Nigeria Act to grant priority to the promotion and development of renewable energy sources and provide for other matters relating thereto be read the Second Time (*Senator Dahiru A. Kuta —Niger East*).

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Science and Technology to report within four weeks.

10. Adjournment:

Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Wednesday, 18th November, 2009 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 1.25 p.m.

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