



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 1st February, 2005

1. The Senate met at 10.20 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, 27th January, 2005 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were adopted.

3. **Closed Session:**
Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do resolve into a Closed Session to deliberate on matters important to the workings of the Senate (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Closed Session — 10. 55 a. m.

Open Session — 12. 30 p. m.

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Closed Session, noted as follows:

That in view of the Certificate of Election issued by Independent National Electoral Commission to Chief Ben Obi as the duly elected Senator for the Anambra Central District; and

That in view of further correspondence from the Independent National Electoral Commission forwarding a Court Order to the Senate on the same issue, consequently resolved:

That the Senate do invite the Chairman, Independent National Electoral Commission, Sir Abel Guobadia (KSA), to unfailingly come and address the Senate in an Open Session on Wednesday, 2nd February, 2005 at 10.00 a.m on the conflicting messages from the Commission on the Anambra Central Senatorial District.

4. **Message from the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:**
The Senate President announced that he had received a letter from the President, Commander-in-Chief which he read as follows:



**PRESIDENT
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

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28 January, 2005

Chief Adolphus Wabara,
President of the Senate,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria,
National Assembly Complex,
Three-Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Dear President of the Senate,

**REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
OF THE REVENUE MOBILIZATION, ALLOCATION
AND FISCAL COMMISSION**

The Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission is one of the Federal Executive Bodies established under Section 153(1) of the 1999 Constitution. By the provision of part 1(N) of the Third Schedule of the 1999 Constitution, the Commission shall comprise the Chairman and one member from each state of the Federation and the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja.

Section 155(1) of the 1999 Constitution and Section 4 of the Revenue Mobilisation, Allocation Act CAP 392 of the 29th December 1989 provide that a member of the Commission shall hold office for a term of five (5) years from the date of his appointment. In this connection, the tenure of the Chairman and twenty eight (28) other members of the Commission expired on 21st September 2004.

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 the following as Chairman and Commissioners in the Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission.

S/No.	Name	State	Designation
1.	Hamman Adama Tukur	Adamawa	Chairman
2.	Amb. Elias Nathan	Adamawa	Member
3.	Chief Efanga Okon Inyang	Akwa Ibom	Member
4.	Sam Nebe Agumadu	Anambra	Member
5.	Mr. Richard Asema	Benue	Member
6.	Maj-Gen. Orho Esio Obada (rtd)	Delta	Member
7.	Chief (Dr.) P.A. Nwankwo	Ebonyi	Member
8.	Mr. Tom Uloko	Edo	Member
9.	Prince Adebisi Aladejana	Ekiti	Member
10.	Mr. Emmanuel Okonkwo Nnamani	Enugu	Member
11.	Arc. Aliyu Daniel Bakha Kwali	FCT	Member
12.	Alhaji Saidu Mohammed	Gombe	Member
13.	Senator Mohammed Alkali	Jigawa	Member
14.	Alhaji Yakubu Shehu	Kaduna	Member
15.	Amb. Kabiru Rabi'u	Kano	Member

16.	Alhaji Abu Gidado	Katsina	Member
17.	Hon. Ignatius A. Amodu	Kogi	Member
18.	Senator Ahmed Baba Zuruq	Kwara	Member
19.	Prof. Onje Gye-Wado	Nasarawa	Member
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20.	Alh. Muhammadu Egba Enagi	Niger	Member
21.	Mr. Aremu Adeyemi	Ogun	Member
22.	Chief Oladipo Ojo Abitogun	Ondo	Member
23.	Otunba Oladeji Ariyibi, (JP)	Osun	Member
24.	Senator Ayantayo Ayandele	Oyo	Member
25.	Chief John Mankilik	Plateau	Member
26.	Barrister A. S. Oyaghiri	Rivers	Member
27.	Hon. Bello G. Kware	Sokoto	Member
28.	Alhaji Isa Geidan	Yobe	Member
29.	Amb. Muhammadu Jabbi Maradun	Zamfara	Member

The Curriculum Vitae of the appointees are attached.

In line with the provision of Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution which states that the appoint shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate. I hereby present the twenty nine (29) nominees for confirmation by the Senate.

I look forward to your action.

Yours sincerely,

Signed:
OLUSEGUN OBASANJO

5. Allocation of Revenue (Federation Account, etc) (Amendment) Bill 2005:

The Senate President announced the names of Senate Conferees to the Conference Committee on the Allocation of Revenue (Federation Account, etc.) (Amendment) Bill 2005 as follows:

(i)	Senator Udoma Udo Udoma	—	Chairman
(ii)	Senator Iyabode Anisulowo	—	Member
(iii)	Senator Sani Kamba	—	Member
(iv)	Senator Haruna Garba	—	Member
(v)	Senator Isa Mohammed	—	Member
(vi)	Senator Ken Nnamani	—	Member

6. Minor Changes in some Committees' Membership:

The President announced changes in the composition of some Senate Committees as follows:

S/No.	Name	Committee	Status
(i)	Senator Sanusi M. Daggash	Banking, Insurance and Financial Institutions	Member
(ii)	Senator Sanusi M. Daggash	Water Resources	Member
(iii)	Senator Sanusi M. Daggash	Public Accounts	Member
(iv)	Senator Rufus I. Spiff	Establishment and Public	Re-assigned

7. Personal Explanation:

Senator David Mark conveyed a message of appreciation from Senator Tunde Ogbeha to the Senate President and Senators for the concern shown since time of passing unto glory of his mother. He expressed the desire to host the Senate President and Senators at the burial ceremony on Friday, 4th February and Saturday, 5th February, 2005.

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8. Presentation of Bill:

Treaty Establishing the Gulf of Guinea Commission (Ratification and Enforcement) Bill 2004 (SB. 102)
— *Read the First Time.*

9. Confirmation of Appointments:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do consider the request by Mr. President Commander-in-Chief for the Confirmation of the Appointments of Hon. Yusuf Yunusa Sankara (*Jigawa State*) and Abdul-Lateef Aderemi Gbadamosi (*Oyo State*) as National Commissioners in the National Population Commission (NPC) in accordance with Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Request accordingly referred to the Committee on National Identity Card and National Population to report within two weeks.

10. Confirmation of Appointments:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do consider the request by Mr. President Commander-in-Chief for the Confirmation of the Appointment of Chief Hon. Sir. Emeka Ananaba (*Abia State*) to replace Engr. Fidelix M. Nwankwo (*Ebonyi State*) as National Commissioner in the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) in accordance with Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Request accordingly referred to the Committee on Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to report within two weeks.

11. Adjournment:

Motion made and Question Proposed: That the Senate do adjourn till Wednesday, 2nd February, 2005 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Majority Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 1.05 p.m.

Adolf Wabara
President of the Senate