



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 8 May, 2008

- 1. The House met at 10.54 a.m. Mr Deputy Speaker read Prayers.
- 2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
Mr Deputy Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 7 May, 2008.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.
- 3. **Message:**
Mr Deputy Speaker read the following Message from the President, Federal Republic of Nigeria:



PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

PRES/134 May 5, 2008

Honourable Dimeji Bankole,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
National Assembly Complex,
Three-Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Dear brother,

2008 DRAFT FCT STATUTORY BUDGET PROPOSALS

I forward herewith, a draft FCT Statutory Budget Proposal for Year 2008, for consideration by the House of Representatives of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

In the proposal, emphasis is placed on Infrastructural Development while Recurrent Expenditure has been de-emphasised as reflected in the budget expenditure profile below:

S/No.		2007 Appropriation	2008 Appropriation
(i)	Personnel Cost	12,799,413,161	15,767,480,599.79
(ii)	Overhead Cost	7,599,158,687	9,721,984,176.00
(iii)	Capital Expenditure	43,877,904,154	43,959,577,601.10
	Total	64,276,476,002	69,449,042,376.89

Pursuant to Section 299 of the 1999 Constitution which vests legislative powers over the Federal Capital territory, Abuja, on the National Assembly, I present the 2008 draft Budget Proposals of the FCT for the kind consideration and approval of the National Assembly.

Please accept, Mr Speaker, the assurance of my highest regards.

Yours most sincerely,

*(Signed) UMARUMUSA
YAR'ADUA*

4. Announcement:

Mr Deputy Speaker recognized the presence in the Gallery, of the following:

- (i) Members of the National Association of Political Science Students (NAPSS), Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka;
- (if) Staff and Pupils of NAPO Private School, Maitama, Abuja; (HI)
Staff and Pupils of the Covenant Academy, Wuse, Abuja.

5. Petitions:

The following Petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Public Petitions:

- (i) Hon. Chille W. Igbanwa (*Kwande/Usitoru Federal Constituency*), from Raphael Agah, former staff of the Medical Services and Hospital of Div. 3 Headquarters, Jos, praying the House to prevail on the Management of the Medical Services to reinstate him and grant other reliefs sought;
- (ii) Hon. Aminu Shehu Shagari (*Yabo/Shagari Federal Constituency*), from Gbolahan Samuel and Co. on behalf of members of the Kajola Village, Magboro in Obafemi Local Government, praying the House to intervene in their matter against Dr Ayo Olaiya of the North South Oak Engineering Company, with a view to ensuring that justice is done;
- (iii) Hon. John Kalipa (*Okoko/Oguh-Bole Federal Constituency*), from Hawkins T. Ide and Enugmann Victor, former employees of the defunct African Continental Bank, praying the House to prevail on Spring Bank Plc to pay them their entitlements;
- (iv) Hon. Abba Anas Adamu (*Birniwa/Guri/Kini Kasanma Federal Constituency*), from Olasupo Moler Oluayemi, praying the House to intervene in his alleged wrongful termination of appointment by the Universal Basic Education with a view to re-instating him;
- (v) Hon. Peter Linus Umoh (*Oron/Mbo/Okobo/Udung Uko/Urue Offong/Oruku Federal Constituency*), from Eddy Edumoh a former Superintendent of Police, praying the House to intervene in his alleged wrongful dismissal from the service of the Nigeria Police Force.

6. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerian Institute of Translators and Interpreters and for Related Matters, 2008 — Second Reading:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerian Institute of Translators and Interpreters and for Related Matters, 2008 be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Aro Samuel Bamidele).

Debate:

Question that the Bill be now read a Second Time, put and agreed to.

Bill read a Second Time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

7. Consideration of Reports:

(a) Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by DSV Limited against Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC); Afribank; Wema Bank Plc and Folio Communications Limited:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by DSV Limited against the Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC); Afribank; Wema Bank Plc and Folio Communications Limited and approve the Recommendations therein" (Hon. C. 1. D. Maduabum).

Debate:

Consideration deferred.

(b) Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Orient Properties Limited against Federal Ministry of Environment, Housing and Urban Development; and Bank of Industry:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Orient Properties Limited against the Federal Ministry of Environment, Housing and Urban Development; and Bank of Industry and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum*).

Question put and agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Whole to consider the Report, put and agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

{Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair}

Recommendation :

"That the right Orient Properties Development Company as the preferred bidder for the redevelopment of the Transit Village in Victoria Island, Lagos be restored, as due process was not followed in the grant of the concession to the Bank of Industry as the second preferred bidder. The Bank of Industry did not participate in the bidding process conducted by the Federal Ministry of Environment, Housing and Urban Development". (*Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum*)

Debate:

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Amendment Proposed:

Leave out all the words in the Recommendation and *insert* a new Recommendation instead thereof: "That the right of the two preferred bidders for the redevelopment of the Transit Village in Victoria Island, Lagos, namely the Orient Properties Development Company and the UACN be restored by the Federal Ministry of Environment, Housing and Urban Development, as due process was not followed in the grant of the concession to the Bank of Industry which did not participate in the pre-qualification bidding process" (*Hon. Andrew Uchendu*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

Chairman to report proceedings.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in the Committee of Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions, on the petition by Orient Properties Limited against the Federal Ministry of Environment, Housing and Urban Development; and Bank of Industry and approved a new Recommendation.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Whole, put and agreed to.

(c) Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Mr Simon Alade against Federal Capital Territory Administration:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Mr. Simon Alade against the Federal Capital Territory Administration and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum*).

Question put and agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Whole to consider the Report, put and agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

Recommendation :

"That the petitioner's appointment be terminated as originally recommended by the officer that handled the matter. Due process was not adhered to in the procedure leading to his dismissal from service, as a panel should have handled the disciplinary process instead of just one officer" (*Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum*).

Debate:

Question put and negatived

Amendment Proposed:

Insert a new Recommendation as follows

"That consequent upon the findings of the Committee that the officer was wrongly dismissed as due process was not fully followed, the petitioner, Mr Simon Alade should be re-instated to his position" (*Hon. Umar Buba Jibril*).

Question put and agreed to

Chairman to report proceedings.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in the Committee of Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr Simon Alade against the Federal Capital Territory Administration, rejected the Committee Recommendation and approved a new Recommendation.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Whole, put and agreed to.

8. Adjournment:

That this House do now adjourn till Tuesday, 13 May, 2008 at 10.00 a.m. (*Hon. Tunde Akogun*).

Adjourned accordingly at 1.20 p.m.

Usman Bayero Nafada
Deputy Speaker