



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 22 January, 2008

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1. The House met at 11.00 a.m. Mr Speaker read Prayers.
 2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 17 January, 2008.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.
 3. **Announcement:**
Bereavement:
Mr Speaker acquainted Hon. Members with the death of Chief Igwe **Nwagu**, father of Hon. Paulinus Igwe Nwagu, which occurred on Wednesday, 16 January, 2008.

*A minute in silence was **observed** in honour of the deceased and prayer said for the repose of his soul.*
 4. **Privilege:**
Rising on Order V, Rule 1 (b) and (c) Hon. Halims Agoda drew the attention of the House to **the Rule of** procedure governing Motions which provide that Motions should be referred to relevant Committees **for** recommendations to the Rules and Business Committee (Order VIII. Rule 9 (3), (4)).

He stated that as a result, many Motions were still lying in the Committees including the one submitted by him about three **months** ago. He considered this protracted process as a breach of his privilege and therefore urged the House to look into this particular provision of the House Standing Orders.

Debate:

Mr Speaker, pursuant to Order XII, Rule 6, ruled that Ron. Halims Agoda should present amendments to the Rule in a substantive Motion.
 5. **Petition:**
A petition was received and referred to the Committee on Public Petitions.

Hon. Ishaku J. Sharah (*Askira/Vba Federal Constituency*), from Alhaji Mahmood Aliyu Jafiya, praying the House to intervene in his alleged wrongful dismissal from the service of **the** Federal Housing Authority, and **to** grant oilier reliefs sought therein.
 6. **Presentation of Bills:**
GO National Building Code (Enforcement) Bill, 2008 (HB. 21) (*Hon. Isa Idris Umar*) — *Read the First Time.*

- (ii) National Climate Change Commission Bill, 2008 (HB. 22) {Hon. Bala Ibn Na 'Allah) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iii) Student Union Activities (Control and Regulations) (Amendment) Bill, 2008 (HB. 23) (Hon. Iorwese H. Hembe and 26 Others) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iv) Chartered Institute of Capital Market Registrars Bill, 2008 (HB. 24) (Hon. Ralph Okeke and 20 Others) — *Read the First Time.*
- (v) Legal Practitioners Act Amendment Bill, 2008 (HB. 25) (Hon. Iorwese H. Hembe and 26 Others) — *Read the First Time.*
- (vi) Chartered Institute of Management Accountants of Nigeria Bill 2008 (HB. 32) (Hon. John Halts Agoda and 5 Others) ~ *Read the First Time.*

7. Presentation of Report:

Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Mr Archibong B. Ekereke:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Mr Archibong B. Ekereke against the Management of the National Assembly on the Payment of Severance allowance to Legislative Aides" (Hon. Yusuf Maitama Tuggar).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

8. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Water Resources Development Commission and for Connected Purposes, 2007 — *Second Reading:*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Establish the National Water Resources Development Commission and for Connected Purposes, 2007 be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Temgu Tsegba).

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 Water Resources.

9. Adjournment:

That this House do now adjourn till Wednesday, 23 January, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. (Hon. Shehu Baba Agaie).

Adjourned accordingly at 12.40 p.m.

Dimeji Sabur Bankole
Speaker

CORRIGENDUM

In the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 17 January, 2008, page 236 paragraph 4 (vii), line 1, *delete* the name, G. O. Anyalemechi and *insert the* name G. O. Terika instead thereof.