



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 16 January, 2008

1. The House met at 2.35 p.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 Tuesday, 15 January, 2008.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.
3. Announcements:
Visitors:
Mr Deputy Speaker recognized the presence in the Gallery, of:

(0 Staff and students of Government Secondary School, Karu; and

(it) Staff and students of Federal Government Girls College, Efon-Alaaye.
4. Petitions:
Two petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Public Petitions.

(i) Hon. J. J. Adachaba (*Idajbaji/Igalamede - Odulu/Ofu Federal Constituency*), from 486 retired Staff of the Federal Polytechnic, Idah, praying the House to intervene in the alleged non-payment of their arrears of salaries and grant other reliefs sought therein;

(ii) Hon. John Halims O Agoda (*Ethiope Federal Constituency*), from Delta Steel Company Pensioners Association, praying the House to investigate the allegation of non-payment of their monthly Pension and grant other reliefs sought therein.
5. Presentation and Laying of Treaties:
(0 Agreement on avoidance of Double Taxation and Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Income and Capital gains between the Federal Republic of Nigeria and the Republic of South Korea (Ratification and Enforcement) Bill, 2008 — *Read the First Time*.

(ii) Green Tree agreement between Nigeria and Cameroon (Ratification and Enforcement) Bill, 2008 — *Read the First Time*.
6. National Air Safety Day:
Motion made and Question proposed, The House:

Notes, that on December 10, 2005, an Abuja - Port Harcourt bound Sosoliso Plane crashed, killing almost all on board, amongst whom were 61 Students of Loyola Jesuit College, Abuja who were returning home for the Christmas holidays.

Further notes, that the trauma of one institution losing 61 Children, in an accident, still remains unbearable;

Worried, that several air disasters have claimed many lives and had caused tears, pain and torture to many families;

Disturbed, that these air disasters could have been avoided if the best practices in the aviation industry were put in place in Nigeria.

Notes, the necessity of setting aside a day to leverage positive changes in the aviation industry so that professional best practices would be the norm;

Resolves to;

Call on the Federal Government to declare 10th of December, of every year, a National Air Safety Day. (*Hon. Abike Dabiri and 8 Others*).

Debate:

Amendment Proposed:

Insert a new Prayer (*if*) as follows:

"Mandate the Committee on Aviation to investigate the level of compliance to the payment of compensation to the families of the victims of the plane crash" (*Hon. Sadaatu Sani*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and negatived.

Main Question as amended put and negatived.

A Bill for an Act to Amend the Revolving Loans Fund for Industry Act, to Specify the Sources of, and Additional Sums to be Made Available to the Fund Thereof, the Procedure and Manner of Disbursement of Monies Contained Therein to any Industrial Concern, and Provide for Other Matters Appertain Thereto (HB. 16) — Second Reading:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Amend the Revolving Loans Fund for Industry Act, to Specify the Sources of, and Additional Sums to be Made Available to the Fund Thereof, the Procedure and Manner of Disbursement of Monies Contained Therein to any Industrial Concern, and Provide for Other Matters Appertain Thereto be now read a Second Time" (*Hon. Fancy Arole*).

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 Industry.

Adjournment:

That this House do now adjourn till Thursday, 17 January, 2008 at 10.00 a.m. (*Hon. Tunde Akoguri*).

Adjourned accordingly at 4.27 p.m.

Usman Bayero **Nafada**
Deputy Speaker