



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 15 August, 2006

1. The House met at 11.10 a.m. Mr Speaker read Prayers.
2. **Late Commencement of Sitting:**
Mr Speaker apologized for the late commencement of proceedings and attributed same to his presence at the 'opening session of the Two Day Summit on Examination Malpractices organised by the House Committee on Education.
3. **Votes and Proceedings:**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 9 August, 2006.
By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.
4. **Message from Mr President:**
Mr Speaker read a Message from the President Federal Republic of Nigeria:



PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

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13 June, 2006

Alhaji Aminu Bello Masari,
"Honourable Speaker House of
Representatives, National
Assembly Complex,
Abuja.

Dear Hon. Speaker,

ICJ JUDGMENT: AGREEMENT BETWEEN NIGERIA AND CAMEROON

I hereby attach the Agreement between Nigeria and Cameroon on the modalities of implementation of International Court of Justice, ICJ, judgment on the land and maritime dispute between Nigeria and Cameroon.

I also attach a map signed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and Presidents of Nigeria and Cameroon as an appendix to the Agreement.

I would appreciate your expeditious ratification of the Agreement, please.

Accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours Sincerely

(Signed)
OLUSEGUN OBASANJO

Copy to:

- 0 Hon. Minister of Foreign Affairs
- 0 Attorney-General of the Federation
- 0 Governor of Cross River State
- Secretary to the Government of the Federation.

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Announcements:

(i) *Ad-Hoc Committee on Revenue Allocation:*

Mr Speaker confirmed the Membership of the *Ad-hoc Committee on Revenue A*

S/No.	States	Representatives
1.	Chairman	Hon. Abdul Ahmed Ningi
2.	Deputy Chairman	Hon. Patricia Etteh
3.	Adamawa	Hon. Babu Ingilari
4.	Kaduna	Hon. Gideon Gwani
5.	Bauchi	Hon. Isa Musa Matori
6.	Imo	Hon. Uche Onyeagucha
7.	Rivers	Hon. Emma Deeyah
8.	Anambra	Hon. C, I. D. Maduabum
9.	Enugu	Hon. Charles Ugwu
10.	Ebony	Hon. Aroh Eusebius
11.	Abia	Hon. Nkechi Nwogu
12.	Edo	Hon. Abubakar Momoh
13.	Akwa Ibom	Hon. John Inokon
14.	Kogi	Hon Atai Aidoko AH
15.	Jigawa	Hon. Nasiru Garba Dantite
16.	Zarnfara	Hon. Dahiru Zubairu
17.	Cross River	Hon. Alex I. Ukam
18.	Kano	Hon. Mohammed Abubukar Maifata
19.	Oyo	Hon. Depo Oyedokun
20.	Ondo	Hon. Rufus Adebayo
21.	Nasarawa	Hon. Shuaiibu Abdullahi Hashim
22.	Yobe	Hon. Fatima Talba
23.	Benue	Hon. Agbo Oga
24.	Delta	Hon. Leo Ogor
25.	Gombe	Hon. Usman Bayero
26.	Borno	Hon. Mohammed Ali Ndume
27.	Bayelsa	Hon. Boulus Indianamoweï
28.	Lagos	Hon. Ganiyu Solomon
29.	Ekiti	Hon. Titi Akindewusi
30.	Ogun	Hon. Biodun Akinlade
31.	Osun	Hon. Ranti Arabi
32.	Taraba	Hon. Babagida Ngoroje
33.	Sokoto	Hon. Dengi Betgore
34.	Katsina	Hon. Garba Matuzu
35.	Kebbi	Hon. Abdullahi Umar Faruk
36.	Plateau	Hon. Longhor John
37.	Niger	Hon. James Baitachi
38.	Kwara	Hon. Gbenga Makanjuola
39.	Federal Capital Territory	Hon. Ali Sidi
40.	Chairman Finance	Hon. Abdullahi Idris Umar
41.	Chairman Appropriation .	Hon. Faruk Lawan

- (ii) *WDDC Budget, 2006:*
Referred to the Committee on NDDC for further legislative action.

- (iii) *Notification of Award:*
Mr Speaker announced a proposed award titled "Ambassador of Youth Development" to Hon. James Baitachi as contained in the following letter:



Hon. Capt. James Baitachi(RTD)

Bosso/Paikoro Federal Constituency

FEDERAL HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

National Assembly Complex, Three Arms Zone, P.M.B. 141, Abuja, Nigeria.

August 9, 2006

Hon. Speaker,
National House of Representatives,
Federal Republic of Nigeria, Abuja.

Dear Sir,

NOTIFICATION OF AWARD

It is with high honour and privilege I wish to inform you that UNESCO Centre Nigeria has found it fit to confer on me an award of "Ambassador of Youth Development" as part of it's activities to mark this year's International Youth Day as declared by the United Nations. This is in UNESCO Centre recognition of my community and youth development in my Constituency.

The public lecture and award presentation is scheduled as follows:

Date: August 12th, 2006

Venue: National Merit House, Maitama, Abuja

Time: 9.30 a.m. prompt.

Hon. Speaker, you and the entire Members of the House of Representatives are very much invited and I do hope you will all find time out of your tight schedule of activities to attend.

Please accept my regards of highest esteem.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

Hon. James Baitachi

Member

- (iv) *Defections:*
(a) Mr Speaker informed the House that Hon. Abiola-Edewor (*Apapa Federal Constituency*) Lagos State, had formally declared her defection from the Alliance for Democracy Party to the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) in the following letter:

Representing Apapa Federal Constituency

Lagos State

Tel: 685

August 9 2006

Rt. Hon. Aminu Bello Masari
Speaker, Federal House of Representatives
Three Arms Zone
Abuja.

Your Excellency Sir,

RE: DECAMPMENT

*This is to formally bring to your notice, personally and to the entire house generally, my decision to relinquish my membership of the **ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY (AD)** as from this day.*

The most important reason being the persistent leadership crisis in the Party as well as the controversy over the status vis-a-vis the registration of the Party with INEC.

*I will therefore henceforth want to be recognized as a member of the **Peoples Democratic Party (PDP)**.*

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

Hon. Omolola K. Abiola - Edewor

- (b) Mr Speaker further announced the defect' jn of the following Hon Members from the All Nigerian Peoples Party (ANPP) to the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) in a letter jointly signed by them:



JIGAWA STATE CAUCUS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY THREE ARMS ZONE,
ABUJA.**

15th August, 2006

*The Hon. Speaker, House
of representatives, NASS,
Abuja.*

Dear Sir,

RE: DECAMPING FROM A.N.P.P. TO P.D.P.

*We the undersigned Members of the above mentioned caucus wish to inform this Honourable House and Nigeria at large, that we have decamped from our former Party the **ALL NIGERIA PEOPLES PARTY (A.N.P.P.)** to our New Party the **PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC PARTY** as follows:*

S/N	NAME	SIGNATURE
1.	HON. IBRAHIM BABA CHAICHAI	(Signed)
2.	HON. AUWALU SULE KILA	(Signed)
3.	HON. ABUDLAZIZ USMAN	(Signed)
4.	HON. JIBRIN BABANGIDA YUSUF	(Signed)
5.	HON. IBRAHIM M. GARBA HANNUNGIWA	(Signed)
6.	HON. BASHIR ADAMU	(Signed)
7.	HON. YUSUF SALE DVNARI	(Signed)
S.	HON. SAFIYANU UBALE TAURA	(Signed)

*Long live P.D.P the greatest Party in Africa
Long live the Government and People of Jigawa State and
Long live Nigeria.*

*(Signed) **HON. IBRAHIM
BABA CHAICHAI**
Chairman of the Caucus
(Announcer)*

(v) *Visitors:*

Mr Speaker recognized the presence in the Gallery, of:

- (i) Councillors from Owan West Local Government Council of Edo State;
- (a) Mr Sola Osunkeye, CNN African Journalist of the year award winner and his wife.

6. **Petitions:**

Two petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Public Petitions:

- (i) Hon. Cairo Ojougboh, from Christopher A. Egun, praying the House to prevail on the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) to pay the arrears of his pension and gratuity;
- (ii) Hon. Halims Agoda, from Maritime Watchdog, on behalf of the various stakeholders in **the** Mid-West Region of Delta, Edo and Coastal parts of Ondo States, praying the House to look into certain aspects of the Port and Harbour Authorities Bill, 2006 with a view to understanding their plight and redressing the injustices to their economic life.

7. **Privilege:**

Relying on Order V, Rule 4, Hon. Farouk Adamu (*Birini Kudu Buji Federal Constituency*) notified the House of his victory at a Referendum conducted by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) following an attempt to recall him.

He referred to a publication in the "ThisDay" Newspaper edition of Monday, 14 August, 2006 to the effect that he had been recalled whereas some Newspapers had correctly reported his victory at the Referendum. He described the publication in the "ThisDay" Newspaper as a breach of his Privilege. Concluding, he displayed the Certificate of Return issued to him by the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) after the Referendum and expressed gratitude to the House for its support during his moments of trials.

8. **Presentation of Bills:**

- (i) Federal Capital Territory College of Education (Establishment) Bill, 2006 (HB. 256) — *Read the First Time.*
- (ii) National Identity Management Commission Bill, 2006 (HB. 257) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iii) Miscellaneous Offences Bill 2006 (HB. 258) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iv) National Consumer Credit Regulatory Commission Bill, 2006 (HB. 259) — *Read the First Time.*
- (v) Federal Capital Agency for Mass Education (Establishment) Bill, 2006 (HB. 260) — *Read the First Time.*
- (vi) Federal Capital Agency Education Resources Centre Bill, 2006 (HB. 261) — *Read the First Time.*

9. **Presentation of Reports:**

- (i) *Joint Committee on Petroleum Refineries and Products Marketing and Justice:*
Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the Joint Committee on Petroleum Refineries and Products Marketing and Justice on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Petroleum Production and Distribution (Anti Sabotage) Act, Cap. 353 LFN to Vest the Regular Court with Jurisdiction to Try Offenders Under the Act; and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2005 (HB. 141)" (*Hon. Obeten O. Obeten*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

- (ii) *Committee on Petroleum Resources:*
Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Petroleum Resources on the Alleged Fraudulent Underpayment of Crude Lifting by Shell Petroleum Development Company amounting to US\$3.2 Billion" (*Hon. Cairo Ojougboh*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

(iii) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Bido Commercials Limited:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Bido Commercials Limited against Nigerian Customs Service" (Hon. Chidi Duru).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

(iv) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Samuel Otamiri:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Samuel Otamiri against the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC)" (Hon. Chidi Duru).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

(v) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Mr Adamu Mohammed Kokani:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Mr Adamu M. Kokani against the Federal Office of Statistics (National Bureau of Statistics)" (Hon. Chidi Duru).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

(vi) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Alhassan Yusuf:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Alhassan Yusuf against the Nigerian Television Authority" (Hon. Chidi Duru).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

(vii) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Mr Jimmy O. Netufo:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Mr Jimmy O. Netufo against the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation" (Hon. Chidi Duru).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

(viii) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Mr Muraina Rasaki:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Mr Muraina Rasaki against the Nigeria Police Force" (Hon. Chidi Duru).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

(ix) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Constable Ndagi Bawa:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Police Constable Ndagi Bawa against the Nigeria Police Force" (*Hon. Chidi Duru*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

(x) *Committee on Public Petitions;*

Report on the Petition by P. M. O. Ezembah:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by P. M. O. Ezembah against the Nigerian Navy (NN)" (*Hon. Chidi Duru*),

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

(xi) *Report of the Joint Committee on Finance and Electoral Matters:*

Pursuant to the *Referral Order of Wednesday, 7 June, 2006 vide the Votes and Proceedings* of the same day, Mr Speaker invited the Chairman of the Joint Committee to present his **final** Report.

Hon. Abdullahi Idris expressed regret at the inability of the Joint Committee to present a final report. He explained that the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) was yet to avail the Committee of vital information essential for the final Report. He promised to submit the Joint Committee's final Report on Tuesday, 22 August, 2006 after a meeting with all the stakeholders on Thursday, 17 August, 2006.

Mr Speaker further informed the House that the outcome of his meeting with the Chairman of the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) revealed that the Budget Monitoring and Price Intelligent Unit (Due Process) had issued a letter for the release of additional Twenty Billion Naira (N20 billion) in addition to the sum of Fifteen Billion Naira (N15 Billion) earlier released to the Commission. The Commission also assured him that arrangements had been concluded for a smooth election in 2007.

10. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Investment and Securities Tribunal as a Specialized Court for Capital Market Disputes and Matters Ancillary Thereto, 2006 (HB. 247) — Second Reading:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Establish the Investment and Securities Tribunal as a Specialized Court for Capital Market Disputes and Matters Ancillary Thereto, 2006, be now read a Second Time" (*Hon. Bala Ibn Na'Allah*).

Debate:

Relying on Order XII, Rule 1(3), Hon. Habeeb Fashinro observed that the Sponsor of the **Bill** did not provide the financial implication of the Bill as prescribed in the Order. He urged the House to enforce compliance with the Order or suspend same to allow for the Second Reading debate.

Ruling on the Point of Order, the Hon. Speaker Ordered that henceforth, such Bills must comply with the provisions of the Standing Order before their introduction.

Resumption of Debate:

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

Bill read a Second Time and referred to the Joint Committee on Capital Market and Institutions and Judiciary.

11. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Institute for Labour Studies Act, 2006 (HB. 252) — Second Reading:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Amend the National Institute for Labour Studies Act, 2006 (HB. 252) be now read a Second Time" (*Hon. Abubakar Momoh*).

Debate:

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

Bill read a Second Time and referred to the Joint Committee on Labour, Employment and Productivity and Justice.

12. **A Bill for an Act to Amend the Social Development Act, Cap. 408 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 1990 by Removing the Social Development Division of the Ministry of Employment, Labour and Productivity to the Ministry of Sports and Social Development; and for Related Matters, 2005 (HB. 166) — *Second Reading*:**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Amend the Social Development Act, Cap. 408 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 1990 by Removing the Social Development Division of the Ministry of Employment, Labour and Productivity to the Ministry of Sports and Social Development; and for Related Matters, 2005 (HB. 166), be now read a Second Time" (*Hon. Gwani Gideon*).

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 Women Affairs and Youth Development.

13. **Adjournment;**

That this House do now adjourn till Wednesday, 16 August, 2006 at 2,00 p.m. (*Hon. Abdul Ningi*).

Adjourned accordingly at 1.35 p.m.

Aminu Bello Masari
Speaker