



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 27 April, 2005

1. The House met at 2.30 p.m. Mr Speaker read Prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 26 April, 2005.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.

3. **Oaths of Allegiance and Membership:**
Member-Elect Ben Nwankwo (*Orumba North and South Federal Constituency*) took and subscribed to the Oaths as required by Law.
4. **Message from the President Federal Republic of Nigeria:**
Mr Speaker read a Message from the President, Federal Republic of Nigeria:



**PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

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25 April, 2005

*The Honourable Speaker,
House of Representatives,
National Assembly Complex,
Three-Arms Zone,
Asokoro - Abuja.*

Dear Hon. Speaker,

NATIONAL FOOTBALL FEDERATION BILL

I hereby present, for formal consideration and passage into law by the House of Representatives, the attached Bill which seeks to provide for the establishment of the Nigeria Football Federation to encourage and improve the standard of football in Nigeria, and Executive Committee and a Congress and specify the membership and functions of both the Executive Committee and the Congress.

I hope the Bill will receive prompt attention of Honourable Members of the House.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)
OLUSEGUN OBASANJO

5. Announcements:**(a) Members' E-mail Directory:**

Mr Speaker informed the House that the Policy Analysis and Research Project Unit of the National Assembly had compiled an E-mail Directory of all the Hon. Members. The Clerk of the House would make the details available to each Member.

(b) Visitors:

Mr Speaker announced the presence in the Gallery, of Secretaries and Clerks of West African Parliaments who were in the country for the inauguration of their Forum

(c) Ad-Hoc Committee on Analysis and Guideline for the Implementation of House Budget:

Mr Speaker named Members of the above Committee as follows:

(i)	Hon. A. B. Bwari (<i>Chief Whip</i>)	—	<i>Chairman</i>
(ii)	Hon. Farouk Lawan (<i>Chairman Finance</i>)	—	<i>Member</i>
(iii)	Hon. Tsegba Terngu	—	"
(iv)	Hon. F. A. Adegoke	—	"
(v)	Hon. Ahmed Aliyu Wadada	—	"
(vi)	Hon. John Enoh	—	"
(vii)	Hon. Mani Nasarawa	—	"
(viii)	Hon. Irem Ibom	—	"
(ix)	Hon. Bakura Lawan	—	"
(x)	Hon. Abubakar Maifata	—	"
(xi)	Hon. Ubong Etiebet	—	"
(xii)	Hon. Hamisu Gambo	—	"
(xiii)	Hon. Musa Modu	—	"
(xiv)	Hon. Mudashiru Husain	—	"
(xv)	Hon. George Ozodinobi	—	"
(xvi)	Hon. Patricia Akwashiki (<i>Women Rep.</i>)	—	"
(xvii)	Hon. Mercy Almona-Isei (<i>Women Rep.</i>)	—	"
(xviii)	Hon. Bayero Usman	—	"
(xix)	Hon. Igoh Aguma	—	"
(xx)	Hon. Elem Francis N.	—	"
(xxi)	Hon. Sani Banki	—	"
(xxii)	Hon. KGB Oguakwa	—	"
(xxiii)	Hon. Farouk Adamu Aliyu	—	"

6. Petitions:

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

- (i) Hon. K. G. B. Oguakwa, from Federal Universities Pensioners Association, praying the House to prevail on the National Universities Commission (NUC) to pay thirty-two months arrears of pensions and gratuity of its Members;
- (ii) Hon. Mohammed Kumaila, from El-Hajj & Co. Chambers, on behalf of Mohammed Maina, praying the House to intervene in the alleged wrongful termination of the appointment of its client by the National Electric Power Authority (NEPA);
- (iii) Hon. Ita Enang, from Kubwa Residents Association, praying the House to prevail on the Honourable Minister of Federal Capital Territory to stop the on-going illegal demolition of residential buildings within Hamza Farm and its environs and to comply with the Federal Executive Council decision of 21 July, 2004;
- (iv) Hon. Simon Aondona, from Innocent Gber praying the House to prevail on the Directorate of Military Pensions to pay the pension arrears of his late brother to him as his next of kin.

7. Consideration of Reports:

(i) *Committee on Federal Capital Territory*

Motion Made and Question Proposed, “That this House do resume consideration of the Report of the House Committee on Federal Capital Territory on 'A Bill for an Act to Authorize the Issue Out from the Federation Account; the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federal Government, and the Internally Generated Revenue Account of the Federal Capital Territory; the Sum of ₦52,660,195,390.00 (Fifty-Two Billion, Six Hundred and Sixty Million, One Hundred and Ninety-Five Thousand, Three Hundred and Ninety Naira) Only of which the Sum of ₦10,798,790,390.00 (Ten Billion, Seven Hundred and Ninety-Eight Million, Seven Hundred and Ninety Thousand, Three Hundred and Ninety Naira) Only is for Personnel Cost and the Sum of ₦5,139,425,000.00 (Five Billion, One Hundred and Thirty-Nine Million, Four Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand Naira) Only is for Overhead Costs while the Balance of ₦36,721,980,000.00 (Thirty-Six Billion, Seven Hundred and Twenty-One Million, Nine Hundred and Eighty Thousand Naira) Only is for Capital Projects for the Service of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja’ and approve the Recommendations therein” (*Hon. Philip Aduda Tanimu*).

Question put and agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Supply to consider the aforesaid Report—Agreed to.

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

(*Mr Speaker in the Chair*)

PART A—RECURRENT NON-DEBT EXPENDITURE

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| 1. | Federal Capital Territory First Line Charge | | |
| | Recurrent | — | ₦504,000,000.00 |

Question,

That the expenditure of Five Hundred and Four Million Naira (₦504,000,000.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates expenditure of the Federal Capital Territory First Line Charge stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— *Agreed to.*

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| 2. | Office of the Minister, Federal Capital Territory | | |
| | Recurrent | — | ₦972,000,000.00 |

Question,

That the expenditure of Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two Million Naira (₦972,000,000.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates expenditure of the Office of the Minister, Federal Capital Territory Departments stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— *Agreed to.*

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| 3. | Federal Capital Development Authority | | |
| | Recurrent | — | ₦3,596,215,386.00 |

Question,

That the expenditure of Three Billion, Five Hundred and Ninety-Six Million, Two Hundred and Fifteen Thousand, Three Hundred and Eighty-Six Naira (₦3,596,215,386.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates expenditure of the Federal Capital Development Authority stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— *Agreed to.*

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| 4. | Mandate Secretariats | | |
| | Recurrent | — | ₦8,236,284,618.00 |

Question,

That the expenditure of Eight Billion, Two Hundred and Thirty-Six Million, Two Hundred and Eighty-Four Thousand, Six Hundred and Eighteen Naira (₦8,236,284,618.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates expenditure of the Mandate Secretariat stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— *Agreed to.*

- 5. Satellite Town Development Agency**
 Recurrent — ₦200,000,000.00
- Question,*
 That the expenditure of Two Hundred Million Naira (₦200,000,000.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates expenditure of the Satellite Town Development Agency stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.
- Agreed to.
- 6. Other Agencies**
 Recurrent — ₦2,429,715,386.00
- Question,*
 That the expenditure of Two Billion, Four Hundred Twenty-Nine Million, Seven Hundred and Fifteen Thousand, Three Hundred and Eighty-Six Naira (₦2,429,715,386.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates expenditure of Other Agencies stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.
- Agreed to.
- 7. General Summary**
 Recurrent — ₦16,158,215,390.00
- Question,*
 That the expenditure of Sixteen Billion, One Hundred and Fifty-Eight Million, Two Hundred and Fifteen Thousand, Three Hundred and Ninety Naira (₦16,158,215,390.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates expenditure under General Summary stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.
- Agreed to.
- 8. Mandate Secretariats**
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| (a) Education | — | ₦910,000,000.00 |
| (b) Health | — | ₦500,000,000.00 |
| (c) Agriculture | — | ₦287,925,000.00 |
| (d) Transport | — | ₦200,000,000.00 |
| (e) Social Development | — | ₦415,000,000.00 |
| Recurrent | — | ₦2,312,925,000.00 |
- Question,*
 That the expenditure of Two Billion, Three Hundred and Twelve Million, Nine Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand Naira (₦2,312,925,000.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates expenditure of the Mandate Secretariats stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.
- Agreed to.
- 9. Other Agencies**
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| (a) Christian Pilgrim Welfare Board | — | ₦50,000,000.00 |
| (b) Muslim Pilgrim Welfare Board | — | ₦50,000,000.00 |
| (c) Office of the Auditor-General | — | ₦30,000,000.00 |
| (d) Area Council Service Commission | — | ₦35,000,000.00 |
| (e) Area Council Staff Pensions Board | — | ₦25,000,000.00 |
| (f) Area Council Chieftaincy Matters | — | ₦25,000,000.00 |
| Recurrent | — | ₦215,000,000.00 |

Question,

That the expenditure of Two Hundred and Fifteen Million Naira (~~₦~~215,000,000.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates expenditure of Other Agencies stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— *Agreed to.*

PART B—CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

1. Federal Capital Development Authority Departments

Special Projects	—	₦1,675,000,000.00
Department of Engineering Services	—	₦14,385,000,000.00
Department of Public Building	—	₦3,675,000,000.00
Department of Maintenance Services	—	₦1,100,000,000.00
Department of Finance and Accounts	—	₦1,282,200,000.00
Department of Urban and Regional Planning	—	₦780,000,000.00
Department of Admin and Supplies	—	₦21,500,000.00
Department of Development Control	—	₦604,200,000.00
Department of Legal Services	—	₦13,500,000.00
Department of Public Relations	—	₦21,000,000.00
Department of Internal Audit	—	₦3,000,000.00
Department of Resettlement and Compensation	—	₦610,000,000.00
Department of Parks and Recreations	—	104,000,000.00
Capital Estimates	—	₦24,274,400,000.00

Question,

That the expenditure of Twenty-Four Billion, Two Hundred and Seventy-Four Million, Four Hundred Thousand Naira (~~₦~~24,274,400,000.00) for the Capital Estimates of the Federal Capital Development Authority Departments stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— *Agreed to.*

2. Satellite Town Development Agency

Capital Estimates	—	₦4,791,600,000.00
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Question,

That the expenditure of Four Billion, Seven Hundred and Ninety-One Million, Six Hundred Thousand Naira (~~₦~~4,791,600,000.00) for the Capital Estimates of the Satellite Town Development Agency stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— *Agreed to.*

3. Mandate Secretariats

Agriculture and Rural Development	—	₦674,075,000.00
Education	—	₦2,639,310,000.00
Health and Human Services	—	₦2,093,000,000.00
Transport	—	₦1,155,000,000.00
Social Development	—	₦711,500,000.00
Capital Estimates	—	₦7,272,885,000.00

Question,

That the expenditure of Seven Billion, Two Hundred and Seventy-Two Million, Eight Hundred and Eighty-Five Thousand Naira (~~₦~~7,272,885,000.00) for the Capital Estimates of Mandate Secretariats stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— *Agreed to.*

4. Directorates

Christian Pilgrims Affairs	—	₦40,000,000.00
Muslim Pilgrim Affairs	—	₦161,000,000.00
Capital Estimates	—	₦201,000,000.00

Question,

That the expenditure of Two Hundred and One Million Naira (~~₦~~201,000,000.00) for the Capital Estimates of the Directorates stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— *Agreed to.*

562	5. Office of the Auditor-General Capital Estimates	—	₦50,000,000.00
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Question,

That the expenditure of Fifty Million Naira (₦50,000,000.00) for the Capital Estimates of the Office of the Auditor-General stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— Agreed to.

6.	ACCM, ACSC, ACSPB Capital Estimates	—	₦132,095,000.00
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Question,

That the expenditure of One Hundred and Thirty-Two Million and Ninety-Five Thousand Naira (₦132,095,000.00) for the Capital Estimates of the ACCM, ACSC, ACSPB stand part of the Schedule to the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005.

— Agreed to.

- Clause 1: Issue and Appropriation of ₦52,660,195,390.00 from Consolidated Revenue Fund.**
- (1) The Accountant-General of the Federation shall, when authorized to do so by warrants signed by the Minister Charged with responsibility for Finance, pay out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation during the Year 2005 the sum specified by the warrants, not exceeding in the aggregate ₦52,660,195,390.00 (Fifty-Two Billion, Six Hundred and Sixty Million, One Hundred and Ninety-Five Thousand, Three Hundred and Ninety Naira) only (*Hon. Philip Aduda*) — Agreed to.
 - (2) The amount mentioned in Section (1) of this Section shall be appropriated to heads of Expenditure as indicated in the schedule to this Act (*Hon. Philip Aduda*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 1 stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

- Clause 2: Release of funds.**
- All amounts appropriated under this Act shall be made from the Consolidated Revenue fund only for the purposes specified in the schedule to this Act (*Hon. Philip Aduda*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 2 stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

- Clause 3: Payment of Revenue into the Dedicated Account.**
- (1) All revenues accruing to the Territory other than the Statutory Revenue distribution shall be paid into a dedicated Account of Federal Capital Territory (*Hon. Philip Aduda*) — Agreed to.
 - (2) No monies shall be withdrawn from the Section 3 (1) above without appropriation by the National Assembly (*Hon. Philip Aduda*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 3 stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

- Clause 4: Virement.**
- In the event that the implementation of any of the projects intended to be undertaken under this Act cannot be completed without virement, such virement shall only be effected with the prior approval of the National Assembly (*Hon. Philip Aduda*) — Agreed to.

Question that Clause 4 stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

- Clause 5: Monthly Report.**
- (1) The Accountant-General of the Federation and the Governor of Central Bank of Nigeria shall immediately upon the coming into force of this Act furnish the National Assembly, on a monthly basis, the status of the records of the Federal Capital Territory Statutory Accounts (*Hon. Philip Aduda*) — Agreed to.

Quarterly Report.

- (2) All Accounting Officers of the FCT Administration, Agencies, Parastatals and

departments who control heads of expenditure shall present to the National Assembly quarterly reports detailing the progress of implementation of the provisions of this Act (*Hon. Philip Aduda*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 5 stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 6: Waiver not to incur expenditure.

Where, due to revenue shortfall, amounts appropriated under this Act cannot be funded, the Minister of Federal Capital Territory shall seek from the National Assembly a waiver not to incur such expenditure (*Hon. Philip Aduda*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 6 stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 7: Short Title.

This Act may be cited as the Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Bill, 2005.

Question that Clause 7 stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Speaker reported that the House in the Committee of Supply considered and approved the Report of the House Committee on Federal Capital Territory on 'A Bill for an Act to Authorize the Issue Out from the Federation Account; the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federal Government, and the Internally Generated Revenue Account of the Federal Capital Territory; the Sum of ₦52,660,195,390.00 (Fifty-Two Billion, Six Hundred and Sixty Million, One Hundred and Ninety-Five Thousand, Three Hundred and Ninety Naira) Only of which the Sum of ₦10,798,790,390.00 (Ten Billion, Seven Hundred and Ninety-Eight Million, Seven Hundred and Ninety Thousand, Three Hundred and Ninety Naira) Only is for Personnel Cost and the Sum of ₦5,139,425,000.00 (Five Billion, One Hundred and Thirty-Nine Million, Four Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand Naira) Only is for Overhead Costs while the Balance of ₦36,721,980,000.00 (Thirty-Six Billion, Seven Hundred and Twenty-One Million, Nine Hundred and Eighty Thousand Naira) Only is for Capital Projects for the Service of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja. It also approved Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Supply on the FCT Appropriation Bill, 2005, put and agreed to.

(ii) Committee on Navy:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do consider the Report of the House Committee on Navy on the Investigation into the Disappearance of A Detained Ship—"MT African Pride" and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Question put and agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Whole to consider the Report, Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

**REPORT OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NAVY ON THE INVESTIGATION INTO
THE DISAPPEARANCE OF A DETAINED SHIP—"MT AFRICAN PRIDE"**

Debate:

Recommendation (i):

"That the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces should sanction the Chief of Naval Staff, Vice-Admiral Afolayan for lying on oath and deliberately misleading the Committee. He emphatically told the Committee that the vessel "MT AFRICAN PRIDE" as well as its crew was handed over to the Police. But available evidence shows the contrary (*See pp. 21 & 22*)" (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Question put and agreed to.

Recommendation (ii):

“That the SSS should thoroughly investigate and unravel the identity of the “ORIGINATOR” of the second conflicting signal issued by Commodore Baje from NHQ to the FOCs East and West. The Committee admits that it lacks the technical wherewithal to do this. The Committee is of the firm belief that this was the source (beginning) of the mischief that finally led to the disappearance of the ship. The SSS should report to the House within 30 days from today (*See p. 21*)” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Question put and agreed to.

Recommendation (iii):

“That the Naval Headquarters should appropriately sanction Capt. George Alily, the CO of the “NNS BEECROFT”, Lt Comdr U. Y. Maiyaki and Lt Comdr I. B. Yusuf the Base Operation Officer and the Base Intelligence Officer respectively, who by their roles, facilitated the disappearance of the Vessel, “MT. AFRICAN PRIDE”. The NHQ should communicate their decision to the House within 30 days from today (*See pp. 22-23*)” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Question put and agreed to.

Recommendation (iv):

“That the Naval Headquarters should also, within 30 days from the submission of this Report, either arraign, charge or acquit the following officers who are in protective custody: Capt Peter Duke, Lt Comdr M. M. Kabiru Lt Comdr M. C. Abubakar and Ordinary Seaman M. A. Emmanuel to the House (*See p.24*)” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Amendment Proposed:

In line 2, immediately after the word “or”, *leave out* the word “acquit” and *insert* the word “release” instead thereof (*Hon. Nze Duru*).

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

Recommendation (v):

“That the Committee appreciates that the Inspector-General of Police that testified before it is no longer in Service. Howbeit, let it be on record that the Committee finds the Police IG culpable for its failure to effectively comply with the directive of the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces (*See pp. 24-26*)” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Amendments Proposed:

Leave out all the words in the Recommendation and *insert* the following instead thereof:

“That the Committee recognizes that the former Inspector-General of Police, Alhaji Tafa Balogun that testified before it is no longer in Service. Howbeit, let it be on record that the Committee finds the former Police IG culpable for his failure to effectively comply with the directive of the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces (*See pp. 24-26*)” (*Hon. Ado Moses Okino and Hon. Ahmad Lawan*).

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

Recommendation (vi):

“That for credible transparency, an independent Assessor should be appointed to determine the quantity, quality and price of seized crude. Henceforth, the sale of seized crude should be on competitive bidding. It should not be left solely to the discretion or decision of the NNPC (*See p. 26*)” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Amendment Proposed:

In line 1, immediately after the word “for”, *leave out* the word “credible” (*Hon. Nze Duru*).

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

Recommendation (vii):

“That the SSS, NIA and the Police Interpol should collaborate to effect the arrest of Mr Niyi Fafowora, the owner of Fabrisco and Allied Products (Nig) Ltd. He chartered the missing Vessel, “MT AFRICAN PRIDE” but now at large. The Committee strongly believes that the arrest of Mr Niyi Fafowora will lead to the whereabouts of “MT AFRICAN PRIDE” (*See pp. 26 & 27*)” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Amendment Proposed:

In line 1, immediately after the word “Interpol”, insert the acronym “EFCC” (*Hon. Abdul Ningi*).

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

Recommendation (viii):

“That within 24 hours of seizure of a ship the Navy should appropriately inform the following agencies: the Police, the Customs, NMA, and Immigration. This will enable the agencies to promptly perform their individual statutory duties. The uncoordinated activities of these agencies resulted, in part, to the disappearance of “MT AFRICAN PRIDE” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Question put and agreed to.

Recommendation (ix):

“That the Marine Police should be adequately equipped to take up its full marine responsibilities. In the mean time the Navy and Marine Police should jointly provide security on board seized ships until such a time that the Navy could be relieved of this additional responsibility to concentrate on its constitutional duties” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Question put and agreed to.

Recommendation (x):

“That the Police and the Judiciary should, as a matter of urgency and appreciation of Human Rights Policy of this Administration, expedite action on the prosecution of the 12 Russians, 2 Rumanians and one Georgian national who are on trial” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Amendment Proposed:

In line 1, immediately after the word “Police”, insert the acronym “DPP” (*Hon. Alex Nwofe*).

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

Recommendation (xi):

“That to enable the Navy effectively discharge its statutory responsibility of policing our waters, the Budget of the Navy should be substantially and progressively increased in the next three years. The Ministry of Finance, Budget Office and the Appropriation Committee of the House should be appropriately notified of the House decision” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out all the words in the Recommendation (*Hon. Francis Amadiogwu*).

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

Recommendation (xii):

“That the Minister of Defence, Alhaji Rabi Musa Kwakwanso, should be advised not to meddle in the affairs that are not contained in his brief” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Leave out all the words in the Recommendation (*Hon. Abdul Ningi*).

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

Recommendation (xiii):

“That the banks should be more diligent in granting credit to companies dealing with the oil and gas industry. Credit obtained could easily be diverted into funding illegal bunkering” (*Hon. Anthony Aziegbemi*).

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out all the words in the Recommendation and insert the following instead thereof:

“That the EFCC should be directed to investigate the particular finances discovered by the Committee on Navy which were suspected to have been applied to inappropriate or criminal end” (*Hon. C. Macebuh*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and negatived.

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 House Committee on Navy on the Investigation into the Disappearance of a Detained Ship—"MT African Pride" and approved Recommendations (i) - (iii), amended Recommendations (iv), (v), (vi), and (vii); approved Recommendations (viii) and (ix); amended Recommendation (x); negated Recommendations (xi) and (xii); and approved Recommendation (xiii).

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

8. Adjournment:

That this House do now adjourn till Thursday, 28 April, 2005 at 10.00 a.m (*Hon. Abdul Ningi*).

Adjourned accordingly at 5.25 p.m.

Aminu Bello Masari
Speaker