



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 5 November, 2008

1. The House met at 2.22 p.m. Mr Deputy Speaker read Prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
Mr Deputy Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the Second Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 4 November, 2008.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.

3. **Petition:**
A petition was received and referred to the Committee on Public Petitions:

Hon. Binta Masi Garba (*Michika/Madagali Federal Constituency*), from Haruna Hassan, praying the House to investigate his alleged unlawful dismissal from the service of the Nigerian Army with a view to reinstating him and granting other reliefs sought therein.

4. **Matter Requiring Special Attention of the House:**
Hon. Emeka Ihedioha, Chief Whip of the House, referred to the recently concluded General Elections in the United States of America which he described as transparent, and which produced the first African-American President-elect, Senator Barack Obama. He sought the leave of the House to move a motion to congratulate the Government of the United States of America for the successful elections and the President-elect, Senator Barack Obama for his victory.

Leave granted.

5. **Special Motion on the United States of America's General Elections:**
Motion made and Question proposed, The House:

Notes the victory of Senator Barack Obama at the polls as the 44th President-elect of the United States of America (USA);

Further notes that in the entire American history, Senator Barack Obama becomes the first African-American elected to rule the most powerful Nation in the World;

Appreciates the overwhelming support of the American People in producing an African-American President-elect;

Takes cognizance of the International Diplomacy his victory would have on Americans, and the rest of the World especially Africans;

Resolves to:

- (i) Send a congratulatory Message to the People of the United States of America for the exemplary Presidential Election that produced Senator Obama as the 44th President-elect of the United States of America;
- (ii) Urge Nigerians to learn positive lessons from the electoral processes of the United States of America
(*Hon. Emeka Ihedioha*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

The House:

Noted the victory of Senator Barack Obama at the polls as the 44th President-elect of the United States of America (USA);

Further noted that in the entire American history, Senator Barack Obama becomes the first African-American elected to rule the most powerful Nation in the World;

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(**HR. 62/2008**).

6. Presentation of Bill:

National Archives and Records Administration (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2008 — *Read the First Time*.

7. Presentation of Reports:

- (i) ***Committee on Poverty Alleviation:***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the 2007/2008 Sessional Report of the Committee on Poverty Alleviation" (Hon. Madwatte Anthony Lazarus).

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

- (ii) ***Committee on Human Rights:***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the 2007/2008 Sessional Report of the Committee on Human Rights" (Hon. Aminu Shehu Shagari).

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

- (Hi) ***Committee on Inter-Intra Party Relations:***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the 2007/2008 Sessional Report of the Committee on Inter-Intra Party Relations" (Hon. Oduwaiye Gbenga).

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

8. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Regulation of Location of Telecommunications Masts and Associated Facilities; Co-location and Infrastructure Sharing for the Purposes of Ensuring Human Safety and Environmental Sustainability and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 — Second Reading:**
Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Regulation of Location of Telecommunications Masts and Associated Facilities; Co-location and Infrastructure Sharing for the Purposes of Ensuring Human Safety and Environmental Sustainability and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 be now read a Second Time (Hon. Juliet Obasi Akano).

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 Communication and Environment.

9. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of Federal Co-operative Colleges and Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 — Second Reading:**
Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of Federal Co-operative Colleges and Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 be now read a Second Time (Hon. Darlington Onuabuchi Okereke).

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.

10. **Adjournment:**

That this House do now adjourn till Thursday, 6 November, 2008 at 10.00 a.m. (*Hon. Tunde Akogun*).

Adjourned accordingly at 4.26 p.m.

Usman Bayero Nafada
Deputy Speaker