



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

FIRST VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 4 November, 2008

1. The House met at 10.35 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, 30 October, 2008.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.

3. **Message:**
Mr Speaker read the following Message from the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:



FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

October 28, 2008

*Rt Hon. Dimeji Bankole,
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.*

Dear Brother,

**PRESENT A TION OF THE NA TIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS
ADMINISTRATION BILL, 2008 TO NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR
ENACTMENT INTO LA W**

I forward herewith three (3) copies of the attached documents on the above subject-matter for the consideration of the Honourable House of Representatives of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

In the proposal, Government has accepted the recommendation that the National Archives should be an independent agency domiciled under the judiciary (Supreme Court) while supervision shall be under the Federal Ministry of Information and Communications.

Pursuant to the above, therefore, and in line with the powers vested with the National Assembly, I hereby present the proposal on the National Archives and Records Administration Bill, 2008 for the usual expeditious kind consideration of the Honourable Members of the House of Representatives of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Please accept, Mr Speaker, the assurances of my highest regards.

Yours Sincerely,

(Signed)

Umaru Musa Yar'Adua

4. Announcements:

Mr Speaker, The Amir-Hajj 2008:

Mr Deputy Speaker (*Hon. Usman Bayero Nafada*) informed the House that the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Alh. Umar Musa Yar'Adua, had named the Hon. Speaker, Dimeji Sabur Bankole as the Amir-Hajj for the 2008 pilgrimage. He congratulated the Hon. Speaker on behalf of the National Assembly and urged that Hon. Members pray for the Amir Hajj as he leads the Federal Government Delegation, and, the Nigerian Pilgrims to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to performed the Hajj.

5. Petitions:

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

- (i) Hon. Gbenga Makanjuola (*Irepodun/Isin/Oke-Ero/Ekiti Federal Constituency*), from Benjamin Denis—Upsurge Consult on behalf of Samuel Olarewaju praying the House to investigate his amputation by hoodlums at the Millennium Park, with a view to seeing that adequate compensation is paid and to grant other reliefs sought in the petition;
- (ii) Hon. Eziuche Ubani (*Obingwa/Osisioma/Ugwanagbo Federal Constituency*), from Nwanganga Harriet, praying the House to investigate his untimely retirement from the service of the Nigerian Customs Service, with a view to re-instating him;
- (iii) Hon. Abbas Braimah (*Etsoko Federal Constituency*), from Chief Sylvanus I. Eruaga, praying the House to investigate the alleged conspiracy, harassment and threat to life by a Commissioner of Police in Lagos and his allies with a view to bringing about a final resolution and safety for all concerned.

6. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Order VIII, Rule 5, Hon. Ndudi Elumelu referred the House to an Order of Privilege he had raised on Thursday, 30 October, 2008, in which he cited "**Channels Television**" in error as the Television in whose programme Hon. Gbenga Oduaye had made statements in breach of the privilege of the House. He explained that "Africa Independent Television" (AIT) was the appropriate Television channel and not the Channels Television, and urged that the House be properly guided.

Other recordings consequentially corrected.

7. Matter of Urgent Public Importance:

Rising on Order VIII, Rule 4, Hon. Halims Agoda drew the attention of the House to an attempt by a Federal High Court in Abuja to commit an Hon. Member of the House to prison, while carrying out his constitutional legislative responsibility. He urged the House to consider forthwith the matter as one of urgent public importance.

Question that the House do consider the matter as one of urgent public importance, put and agreed to.

Question that Order VIII. Rule 4(3) be suspended to enable the House consider the matter forthwith, put and agreed to.

8. Attempt by the Federal High Court, Abuja to Commit Hon. Njidda Gella to Prison:

Motion made and Question proposed,

The House:

Aware of the very basis of the Country's Constitutional Democracy, which is founded on the principle of separation of powers, checks and balances;

Appreciates that the judiciary, for all that it represents, have been an active organ of Government in the enthronement and sustenance of Democracy in Nigeria, through its judicial pronouncements which have been widely acclaimed;

Disturbed that in recent time, some of these pronouncements and judgment of the courts have come under serious scrutiny, particularly its un-moderated use of injunctions;

Worried by the recent action and order of a Federal High Court in Abuja, which not only issued an injunction restraining a Committee of the House from carrying out its constitutional duties but also went ahead to entertain a court action which questioned the power of a Committee to investigate the activities of an organization at Terminal C of Nigeria Port Authority, Lagos

Further aware that Section 88 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic Nigeria, 1999, is very clear on the powers of the National Assembly to cause an investigation into the conduct of affairs of any person, authority, Ministry or Government Department, with a view to exposing corruption, inefficiency or waste in the system;

Concerned that the said order and further attempt to commit Hon. Njidda Gella to prison breaches the provisions of the Constitution which grants such powers of investigation to the National Assembly; and

Further concerned that if the said order is not reversed, has the capacity to compromise the Constitutional powers of the National Assembly;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Judiciary to investigate the matter and make appropriate recommendations to the House within two weeks (*Hon. John Halims Agoda*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

The House:

Aware of the very basis of the Country's Constitutional Democracy, which is founded on the principle of separation of powers, checks and balances;

Appreciates that the judiciary, for all that it represents, have been an active organ of Government in the enthronement and sustenance of Democracy in Nigeria, through its judicial pronouncements which have been widely acclaimed;

Disturbed that in recent time, some of these pronouncements and judgment of the courts have come under serious scrutiny, particularly its un-moderated use of injunctions;

Worried by the recent action and order of a Federal High Court in Abuja, which not only issued an injunction restraining a Committee of the House from carrying out its constitutional duties but also went ahead to entertain a court action which questioned the power of a Committee to investigate the activities of an organization at Terminal C of Nigeria Port Authority, Lagos;

Further aware that Section 88 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999, is very clear on the powers of the National Assembly to cause an investigation into the conduct of affairs of any person, authority, Ministry or Government Department, with a view to expose corrupt, inefficiency or waste in the system;

Concerned that the said order and further attempt to commit Hon. Njidda Gella to prison breaches the provisions of the Constitution which grants such powers of investigation to the National Assembly and

Further concerned that if the said order is not reversed, has the capacity to compromise the Constitutional powers of the National Assembly;

Resolved to:

Mandate the Committee on Judiciary to investigate the matter and make appropriate recommendations to the House within two weeks (**HR. 61/2008**).

9. Presentation of Reports

(i) Committee on Appropriations

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Appropriations on a Bill for an Act to authorise the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of N683,301,968,287.00 (Six Hundred and Eighty-Three Billion, Three Hundred and One Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty Seven Naira) only, of which the sum, N220,241,326,816.00 (Two Hundred and Twenty Billion, Two Hundred and Forty One Million, Three Hundred and Twenty Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixteen Naira) only, is for additional Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the balance of N463,060,641,471, (Four Hundred and Sixty Three Billion, Sixty Million, Six Hundred and Forty One Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy One Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for additional Capital Expenditure and the portion of the Federal Government's contribution for the funding of the Emergency Power Projects agreed by the National Economic Council at their Meeting of 19th June, 2008 amounting to US\$2,463,448,500 equivalent to N288, 223,474,500 for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2008" (*Hon. Ayode A. Adesun*)

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

(ii) Committee on Marine Transport:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the 2007/2008 Sessional Report of the Committee on Marine Transport" (*Hon. Ifeanyi Ugwuanyi*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

(iii) Committee on Health:

"That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Health on a Bill for an Act to Provide a Framework for the Regulation, Development and Management of a National Health System and set Standards for Rendering Health Services in the Federation, and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 (HB 108) (*Hon. Alaba Ojomo*).

Order read, deferred.

(iv) Joint Committee on Labour, Employment, and Productivity and Justice:

"That this House do receive the Report of the Joint Committee on Labour, Employment, and Productivity and Justice on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Factories Act and make Comprehensive Provisions for Occupational Safety and Health in Workplaces and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 (HB. 91) (*Hon. Ado Dogo Audu*).

Order read, deferred.

10. Need for Urgent Repairs and Consistent Maintenance of Boreholes Under the River Basin Authorities:

Motion made and Question proposed.

The House:

Notes that pursuant to section 2 (a) of the Water Resources Act of 1993, Nigerian citizens have the fundamental right to take and use water for domestic purposes:

Aware that boreholes and wells are the most popular and easily available sources of rural water supply in Nigeria.

Further notes that water sanitation is the root of preventive Healthcare which is more cost-effective than curative health measures, hence adequate domestic water supply is a cardinal component of the Millennium Development Goals;

Disturbed that sections 1, 4 and 5 of the Water Resources Act 1993 vested all-round administration of Nigeria waters including Federal boreholes in the Ministry of Water Resources;

Regrets that in spite of these constitutional provisions there is no maintenance done to guarantee continuous functioning of both the electric-powered, solar and hand-pumped wells constructed under the aegis of the River Basin Authorities,

Worried that failure of the Federal boreholes and deep wells to effectively serve Nigerian rural populace in spite of the annual budgetary expenditure had caused this year's acute water shortage experienced in many states, especially Northern States as published in Nigeria's Newspapers;

Further aware that meeting the exigencies of portable water to Nigerian rural populace requires immediate overhauling of all existing boreholes and institutionalizing their regular maintenance mechanism by the River Basin Authorities;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Minister of Water Resources to carry out overhauling of all Federal boreholes within a reasonable period;
- (ii) Mandate the Committee to report to the House within a reasonable period, results of such overhauling and the continuous maintenance mechanism so instituted (*Hon. Ismail Kolawole and 17 Others*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

The House:

Noted that pursuant to section 2 (a) of the Water Resources Act of 1993, Nigerian citizens have the fundamental right to take and use water for domestic purposes;

Aware that boreholes and wells are the most popular and easily available sources of rural water supply in Nigeria;

Further noted that water sanitation is the root of preventive Healthcare which is more cost-effective than curative Health measures, hence adequate domestic water supply is a cardinal component of the Millennium Development Goals;

Disturbed that sections 1, 4 and 5 of the Water Resources Act 1993 vested all-round administration of Nigeria waters including Federal boreholes in the Ministry of Water Resources;

Regrets that in spite of these constitutional provisions there is no maintenance done to guarantee continuous functioning of both the electric-powered, solar and hand-pumped wells constructed under the aegis of the River Basin Authorities,

Worried that failure of the Federal boreholes and deep wells to effectively serve Nigerian rural populace in spite of the annual budgetary expenditure had caused this year's acute water shortage experienced in many states, especially Northern States as published in Nigeria's Newspapers;

Further aware that meeting the exigencies of portable water to Nigerian rural populace requires immediate Overhauling of all existing boreholes and institutionalizing their regular maintenance mechanism by the River Basin Authorities;

Resolved to:

Urge the Minister of Water Resources to carry out overhauling of all Federal boreholes within a reasonable period.

- (ii) Mandate the Committee to report to the House within a reasonable period, results of such overhauling and the continuous maintenance mechanism so instituted (HR. 61/2008).

11. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Primary Health Care Development Agency Act, 1992 No. 29 and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 — *Second Reading*:

Order read, deferred.

12. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Programme on Immunization Act, 1997 and Transfer the Functions of the National Programme on Immunization to the National Primary Health Care Development Agency and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 — *Second Reading*:

Order read, deferred.

13. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Registration of Mobile Telephone Line for security Reasons and for Matters related Thereto 2008 — *Second Reading*.

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Registration of Mobile Telephone line for security Reasons and for Matters related Thereto 2008, be now read a Second Time (Hon. Arole Fancy).

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 Communications.

14. A Bill for an Act to provide for the Establishment of the Occupational Safety and Health Commission of Nigeria to Promote and Secure the Safety and Health of all Workers and Other Persons from risks arising out of Work activities in the Workplace and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2008 — *Second Reading*:

Order read, and pursuant to Order XII, Rule 14, Bill consolidated with Occupational Safety and Health Bill, 2008 and referred to the Joint Committee on Labour, Employment and Productivity and Justice.

15. A Bill for an Act to authorise the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of N683,301,968,287.00 (Six Hundred and Eighty-Three Billion, Three Hundred and One Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty Seven Naira) only, of which the sum, N220,241,326,816.00 (Two Hundred and Twenty Billion, Two Hundred and Forty One Million, Three Hundred and Twenty Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixteen Naira) only, is for additional Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the balance of N463,060,641,471 (Four Hundred and Sixty Three Billion, Sixty Million, Six Hundred and Forty One Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy One Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for additional Capital Expenditure and the portion of the Federal Government's contribution for the funding of the Emergency Power Projects agreed by the National Economic Council at their Meeting of 19th June, 2008 amounting to US\$2,463,448,500 equivalent to tt288,223,474,500 for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2008:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Appropriations on a Bill for an Act to authorise the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of N683,301,968,287.00 (Six Hundred and Eighty-Three Billion, Three Hundred and One Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty Seven Naira) only, of which the sum, N220,241,326,816.00 (Two Hundred and Twenty Billion, Two Hundred and Forty One Million, Three Hundred and Twenty Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixteen Naira) only, is for additional Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the balance of N463,060,641,471 (Four Hundred and Sixty Three Billion, Sixty Million, Six Hundred and Forty One Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy One Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for additional Capital Expenditure and the portion of the Federal Government's contribution for the funding of the Emergency Power Projects agreed by the National Economic Council at their Meeting of 19th June, 2008 amounting to US\$2,463,448,500 equivalent to N288,223,474,500 for the year ending on the 31st day of December. 2008 and approve the Recommendations therein" (Hon. Ayode A. Adeseun).

Question put and agreed A

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Whole for Supply to consider the Report of the Committee on Appropriations on the Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2008 and approve the Recommendations therein - Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN THE COMMITTEE OF WHOLE FOR SUPPLY)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AUTHORISE THE ISSUE FROM THE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND OF THE FEDERATION THE TOTAL SUM OF N683,301,968,287.00 (Six HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE BILLION, THREE HUNDRED AND ONE MILLION, NINE HUNDRED AND SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND, AND TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY SEVEN NAIRA) ONLY, OF WHICH THE SUM, ft220,241,326,816.00 (Two HUNDRED AND TWENTY BILLION, TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY ONE MILLION, THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY SIX THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN NAIRA) ONLY, IS FOR ADDITIONAL RECURRENT.(NON-DEBT) EXPENDITURE WHILE THE BALANCE OF N463,060,641,471 (FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY THREE BILLION, SIXTY MILLION, SIX HUNDRED AND FORTY ONE THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY ONE NAIRA) ONLY, IS FOR CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR ADDITIONAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND THE PORTION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S CONTRIBUTION FOR THE FUNDING OF THE EMERGENCY POWER PROJECTS AGREED BY THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING OF 19TH JUNE, 2008 AMOUNTING TO US\$2,463,448,500 EQUIVALENT TO N288,223,474,500 FOR THE YEAR ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 2008

PART A — RECURRENT (NON-DEBT) EXPENDITURE

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| (i) | Agriculture and Water Resources
Recurrent | N95, 788,742 |
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Question,

That the total expenditure of Ninety-Five Million, Seven Hundred and Eighty-Eight Thousand, Seven Hundred and Forty-Two Naira (N95,788,742.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates for the Ministry of Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

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| (ii) | Defence
Recurrent | N54, 047,841,476 |
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Question,

That the total expenditure of Fifty-Four Billion, Forty-Seven Million, Eight Hundred and Forty-One Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy-Six Naira(N54,047,841,476.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates for the Ministry of Defence stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

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| (iii) | Finance
Recurrent | N 194,627,160 |
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Question,

That the total expenditure of One Hundred and Ninety-Four Million, Six Hundred and Twenty-Seven Thousand, One Hundred and Sixty Naira(N 194,627,160.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates for the Ministry of Finance stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 - *Agreed to.*

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| (iv) | Labour and Productivity
Recurrent | N650, 000,000 |
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Question,

That the total expenditure of Six Hundred and Fifty Million Naira(N650,000,000.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates for the Ministry of Labour and Productivity stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

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| (v) | Transportation
Recurrent
Capital | N 7,000,000,000
N 1,310,000.000 |
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Question,

That the total expenditure of Seven Billion Naira (N700,000,000,000.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates and the expenditure of One Billion, Three Hundred and Ten Million Naira (N 1,310,000,000.00) set out under the Capital Estimates for the Ministry of Transportation stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

(vi) Energy	
Recurrent	N887, 073,452
Capital	N324, 123, 474,500

Question,

That the total expenditure of Eight Hundred and Eighty-Seven Million, Seventy-Three Thousand, Four Hundred and Fifty-Two Naira (N887,073,452.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates and the expenditure of Three Hundred and Twenty-Four Billion, One Hundred and Twenty-Three Million, Four Hundred and Seventy-Four Thousand and Five Hundred Naira (N324,123,474,500.00) set out under the Capital Estimates for the Ministry of Energy stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008- *Agreed to.*

(vii) National Population Commission	
Recurrent	N2,286,000,000

Question,

That the total expenditure of Two Billion, Two Hundred and Eighty-Six Million Naira (N2,286,000,000.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates for the National Population Commission stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

(viii) INEC	
Recurrent	N12,136,418,000

Question,

That the total expenditure of Twelve Billion, One Hundred and Thirty-Six Million, Four Hundred and Eighteen Thousand Naira (N12,136,418,000.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates for the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

(ix) Consolidated Revenue Fund Charges-general Pension and Gratuities	
Nigerian National Shipping Line (NNSL) Pension	N 1,807,673,907
Military Pension Board:	
Medically Boarded Pensioners	N 1,340,000,000
Old Scheme Pensioners	N366,030,000
Head of Service	
Federal Staff Housing Loans Board	N500,000,000
Arrears of Civil Servants Pension and Gratuity	N5,000,000,000
CIPPO: Pension for Severed Staff	N7,886,086,240
DPR: Outstanding gratuity Payment	N 1,260,430,483
Police Pension Office: Outstanding Liabilities	N 10,400,000,000

Question,

That the total expenditure of Twenty-Eight Billion, Five Hundred and Sixty Million, Two Hundred and Twenty Thousand, Six Hundred and Thirty Naira (N28,560,220,630.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates for the Consolidated Revenue Fund Charges—General (Pension and Gratuities/Head of Service stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

(x) Service-Wide Votes	
Contribution of International Organisation	N4, 000,000,000
Public Service Wage Adjustment (Health, Education and other Shortfalls)	N68, 000,000,000
Political/Public Office Holders New Salary:	
Fiscal 2007	N17, 526,045,553
Fiscal 2008	N8, 724,533,752
Public Service Reforms	N3,595,043,343
Verified/Published Contractors Debt	N1, 389,646,584

2008 Christian Pilgrimage Exercise	N389,361,138
Second Phase Roll out of IPPIS to all Main Ministries	N4,758,726,986
Margin for increased Cost (mic)	N3,000,000,000
Contingency	N3,000,000,000

Question,

That the total expenditure of One Hundred and Fourteen Billion, Three Hundred and Eighty-Three Million, Three Hundred and Fifty-Seven Thousand, Three Hundred and Fifty-Six Naira (N 114,383,357,356.00) for the purposes set out under the Recurrent Estimates for Service Wide Votes stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

(xi) Capital Supplementation	
Payment of Renegotiated Debts owed various Contractors	N50, 000,000,000
Counterpart funding for Mambilla Hydroelectric Project	N87, 627,166,971

Question,

That the total expenditure of One Hundred and Thirty-Seven Billion, Six Hundred and Twenty-Seven Million, One Hundred and Sixty-Six Thousand, Nine Hundred and Seventy-One Naira.(N137,627,166,971.00) for, the purposes set out under the Capital Estimates for Capital Supplementation stand part of the Schedule to the Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

Committee Recommendation:

- Clause 1: Issue and appropriation of additional sum of N683, 301,968,287 from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for 2008.
- (1) The Accountant-General of the Federation shall, when authorised to do so by Warrants signed by the Minister charged with responsibility for finance, payout of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation during the year ending on the 31st day of December 2008, the sums specified by the warrants, not exceeding in the aggregate N683,301,968,287 (Six Hundred and Eighty-Three Billion, Three Hundred and One Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty-Eight Thousand and Two Hundred and Eighty-Seven Naira) only.
 - (2) The amount mentioned in subsection (1) of this section is hereby appropriated to the heads of expenditure as specified in the Schedule to this Act.
 - (3) No part of the amount aforesaid shall be released from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation after the end of the year mentioned in subsection (1) of this section (*Hon. Ayoade A. Adeseun*) — *Agreed to.*

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

Committee Recommendation:

- Clause 2: Release of funds from the Consolidated Revenue Fund.
Amounts appropriated under this Act shall be released from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation and applied only for the purpose specified in the Schedule to this Act (*Hon. Ayoade A. Adeseun*) — *Agreed to.*

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

Committee Recommendation:

- Clause 3: **Virement.**
In the event that a need arises to vire amounts within the heads of expenditure to which sums have been appropriated under this Act, such virement shall only be effected with the prior approval of the National Assembly (*Hon. Ayoade A. Adeseun*) — *Agreed to.*

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

Committee Recommendation:

- Clause 4: This Act may be cited at the Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2008 (*Hon. Ayoade A. Adeseun*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 4 stand part of the bill put and agreed to

Long Title:

A Bill for an Act to authorize the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of N683,301,968,287.00 (Six Hundred and Eighty-Three Billion, Three Hundred and One Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty Seven Naira) only, of which the sum, tt220,241,326,816.00 (Two Hundred and Twenty Billion, Two Hundred and Forty One Million, Three Hundred and Twenty Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixteen Naira) only, is for additional Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the balance of N463,060,641,471 (Four Hundred and Sixty Three Billion, Sixty Million, Six Hundred and Forty One Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy One Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for additional Capital Expenditure and the portion of the Federal Government's contribution for the funding of the Emergency Power Projects agreed by the National Economic Council at their Meeting of 19th June, 2008 amounting to US\$2,463,448,500 equivalent to N288,223,474,500 for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2008 — *Agreed to.*

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in the Committee of Whole for Supply considered the Report of the Committee on Appropriations on a Bill for An Act to authorize the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of N683,301,968,287.00 (Six Hundred and Eighty-Three Billion, Three Hundred and One Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty Seven Naira) only, of which the sum, N220,241,326,816.00 (Two Hundred and Twenty Billion, Two Hundred and Forty One Million, Three Hundred and Twenty Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixteen Naira) only, is for, additional Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the balance of N463,060,641,471 (Four Hundred and Sixty Three Billion, Sixty Million, Six Hundred and Forty One Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy One Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for additional Capital Expenditure and the portion of the Federal Government's contribution for the funding of the Emergency Power Projects agreed by the National Economic Council at their Meeting of 19th June, 2008 amounting to US\$2,463,448,500 equivalent to N288,223,474,500 for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2008 and approved Part A — Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure, Part B — Capital Expenditure and Capital Supplementation. It also approved Clauses 1, 2, 3, and 4 and the Long Title to the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Supply, put and agreed to.

Question that Order VIII, Rule 16 (17) be suspended to allow for the Third Reading of the Bill, put and agreed to.

16. **A Bill for An Act to authorize the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of N683,301,968,287.00 (Six Hundred and Eighty-Three Billion, Three Hundred and One Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty Seven Naira) only, of which the sum, N220,241,326,816.00 (Two Hundred and Twenty Billion, Two Hundred and Forty One Million, Three Hundred and Twenty Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixteen Naira) only, is for additional Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the balance of N463,060,641,471 (Four Hundred and Sixty Three Billion, Sixty Million, Six Hundred and Forty One Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy One Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for additional Capital Expenditure and the portion of the Federal Government's contribution for the funding of the Emergency Power Projects agreed by the National Economic Council at their Meeting of 19th June, 2008 amounting to US\$2,463,448,500 equivalent to N288,223,474,500 for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2008 — *Third Reading:***

Motion made and Question proposed. "That a Bill for An Act to authorize the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of tt683,301,968,287.00 (Six Hundred and Eighty-Three Billion, Three Hundred and One Million, Nine Hundred and Sixty Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty Seven Naira) only, of which the sum, f^220,241,326,816.00 (Two Hundred and Twenty Billion, Two Hundred and Forty One Million, Three Hundred and Twenty Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixteen Naira) only, is for additional Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the balance of N463,060,641,471 (Four Hundred and Sixty Three Billion, Sixty Million, Six Hundred and Forty One Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy One Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for additional Capital Expenditure and the portion of the Federal Government's contribution for the funding of the Emergency Power Projects agreed by the National Economic Council at their Meeting of 19th June, 2008 amounting to USS2.463.448.500 equivalent to N288.223.474,500 for the year ending on the 31st day of December. 200P be now lead the Third Time" (*Hon. Aminu Waziri Tambuwal*)

Question put and agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time and Passed.

16. Adjournment:

That this House do adjourn till 1.00 p.m. This Day, Tuesday, 4 November, 2008 (*Hon. Aminu Waziri Tambuwal*).

Adjourned accordingly at 12.55 p.m.

Dimeji Sabur Bankole
Speaker