



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 15 May, 2008

1. The House met at 11.00 a.m. Mr Speaker read Prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings:**

Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 14 May, 2008.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were adopted.

3. **Announcement:**

Invitation:

Mr Speaker read an invitation from Hon. Kami Akinlabi Mudashiru inviting the House to the Second Edition of National Roundtable Discussion on Good Governance scheduled to hold on Tuesday, 20 May, 2008 at International Conference Centre by 10.00 a.m.

4. **Presentation of Reports:**

(i) *Committee on Education:*

Report of the Committee on Education on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Students Union Activities (Control and Regulation) Act Cap. S14 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 to Empower Institutions Highest Governing Body to Sanction Students and Bodies and Remove the Clauses which Infringe on the Fundamental Human Rights of Students, 2008.

Order read; deferred.

Committee ordered to present its Report within one week.

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(ii) *Committee on Finance:*

Report of the Committee on Finance on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria Act 2004 and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2008.

Order read; deferred.

(iii) *Committee on Petroleum Resources (Down Stream):*

Report of the Committee on Petroleum Resources (Down Stream) on a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Licensing, Regulation and Incentives Petroleum Refineries in Nigeria and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2008.

Order read; deferred.

5. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Children's Trust Fund to Formally Set-up its own Board of Trustees, Establish State Branch Offices for the Proper Administration and Distribution of Welfare Services and Relief to the Benefit of Nigerian Children in Need, and Provide for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2007 — *Second Reading:*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Children's Trust Fund

to Formally Set-up its own Board of Trustees, Establish State Branch Offices for the Proper Administration and Distribution of Welfare Services and Relief to the Benefit of Nigerian Children in Need, and Provide for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2007 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 Women Affairs and Social Development.

6. A Bill for an Act for yearly Submission of Report by the President to the National Assembly on the Implementation of the Fundamental Objectives and Directive Principles of State Policy as contained in Chapter II of the 1999 Constitution and for Purposes Connected Therewith, 2008 — Second Reading:

Order read; deferred.

7. Consideration of Report:

Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by O. R. Agbolade (Mrs) against the Nigeria Custom Service:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by O. R. Agbolade (Mrs) against the Nigeria Custom Service and approve the Recommendation therein" (Hon. Yusuf Tuggar).

Question put and agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Whole to consider the Report, put and agreed to.

Question that Order VII, Rule 2 (2) be suspended to allow Mr Speaker preside in the Committee of Whole put and agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Speaker in the Chair)

Recommendation:

"That Agbolade's dismissal be converted to termination of appointment" (Hon. C. I. D. Maduabum).

Debate:

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out all the words in the Committees Recommendation and insert the following Recommendations instead thereof;

- (i) *"Prevail on the Nigeria Custom Service to re-instate Mrs O. R. Agbolade immediately, with all her benefits and privileges;*
- (ii) *Mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance by the Nigeria Customs Service and report back to the House" (Hon. Tsegba Terngu).*

Question that the amendment be made put and agreed to.

Chairman to report proceedings.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Speaker in the Chair reported that the House in the Committee of Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by O. R. Agbolade (Mrs) against the Nigeria Custom Service, rejected the Recommendation and approved two new Recommendations.

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

8. Adjournment:

That this House do now adjourn till Tuesday, 20 May, 2008 at 10.00 a.m. (Hon. Tunde Akogun).

Adjourned accordingly at 32.36 p.m.

Dimeji Sabur Bankole
Speaker