



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 7 July, 2009

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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 Thursday, 2 July, 2009.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.
 3. **Announcement:**
Visitors:
Mr Speaker recognized in the Gallery, the presence of the Staff and Pupils of:
 - (i) El-Amin International School, Maitama, Abuja;
 - (ii) Fransh Bomac International Academy, Suleja.
 4. **Personal Explanation:**
Hon. Abdul Ahmed Ningi, citing Order VIII, Rule 5, drew the attention of the House to a text message purportedly authored by him and sent to other Members of the House seeking to effect change in the leadership of the House. He explained that he was not the author and described the message as outrageous, embarrassing, outlandish and aimed at tarnishing his image and integrity.

Matter referred to a Special Security Committee of the House for investigation.
 5. **Presentation of Reports:**
 - (i) **Committee on Labour, Employment and Productivity:**
"That this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Labour, Employment and Productivity on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Labour Act, 1999 and Make Comprehensive Provisions on Minimum, Labour Standards for Nigeria and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2009".

Order read, deferred.
 - (ii) **Joint Committee on Labour, Employment and Productivity and Justice:**
"That this House do receive the Report of the Joint Committee on Labour and Productivity and Justice on 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 (HB. 91 and 93)".

Order read, deferred.
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6. **A Bill for an Act to alter the Provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 and for Other Matters Connected Thereto, 2009 — *Second Reading*:**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Alter the Provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 and for Other Matters Connected Thereto, 2009 be now read a Second Time" (*Hon. Tunde Akogun*).

Debate:

Extension of Sittings:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That pursuant to Order IV, Rule 4, that this House do extend the Day's Sitting to enable it conclude debate on the General Principle of a Bill for an Act to Alter the Provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 and for Other Matters Connected Thereto, 2009" (*Hon. Tunde Akogun*).

Question put and agreed to.

Further Debate:

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

Bill read a Second Time and referred to the Ad-Hoc Committee on Constitution Review.

7. **Adjournment:**

And it being 2.15 p.m. the House adjourned till Wednesday, 8 July, 2009 at 2.00 p.m.

Dimeji Sabur Bankole
Speaker