



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 24 November, 2009

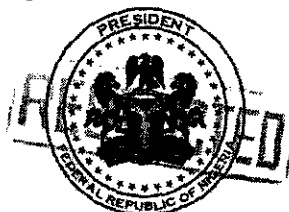
1. The House met at 10.50 a.m. Mr Speaker read Prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 19 November, 2009.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.

Executive Session — 10.55 a.m.

House in Plenary — 11.53 a.m.

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



PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

November 23, 2009

Right Honourable Dimeji Bankole, CFR
Speaker of the House of Representatives,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Dear Brother,

PRESENTATION OF THE 2010 APPROPRIATION BILL

In compliance with Section 81 (1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, I hereby forward the 2010 Appropriation Bill and associated attachments to you for the kind consideration of the Honourable House of Representatives of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Considering the imperative for expeditious consideration of the Bill, I hereby authorise Senator Muhammed Abba Aji, my Special Adviser on National Assembly Matters, to lay before the House, the Appropriation Bill on Tuesday, November 24, 2009.

While I thank the Honourable Members of the House of Representatives of the Federal Republic for the constancy of your cooperation and understanding, please accept, Honourable Speaker, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours Sincerely,

(Signed)

UMARU MUSA YAR'ADUA

4. Admittance into the Chamber:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That Pursuant to Order XV, Rule 9 (iii), the House do admit into the Chamber, Senator Abba, Special Adviser to Mr President on National Assembly Matters and his Officials for the purpose of laying the 2010 Appropriation Bill" (Hon. Tunde Akogun).

Question put and agreed to.

5. 2010 Appropriation Bill:

Pursuant to Section 81 (1) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999, "That the House do receive the Estimates of the Revenues and Expenditure of the Federation for the Year 2010" (Hon. Tunde Akogun).

Question put and agreed to.

6. Presentation of Bill:

Pursuant to Order 1, Rule 2 of the Standing Orders of the House, "That the 2010 Appropriation Bill be now read the First Time" (Hon. Tunde Akogun).

Question put and agreed to.

Bill read the First Time.

7. Matter of Urgent Public Importance:

Rising on Order VIII, Rule 4 of the Standing Order of the House, Hon. Betty Apiafi, drew the attention of the House to the violence caused by some former youth militants at the Rehabilitation Centre in Aluu, Port Harcourt because of the non-payment of their allowances. She noted that the violence led to destruction of property and raping of female students in the University of Port Harcourt and urged the House to consider the matter as one of Urgent Public Importance.

Question that the matter be considered as one of Urgent Public Importance, put and agreed to.

Matter to Stand-over till the next Legislative Day.

8. \$300m World Bank Loan.

Following Mr Speaker's Ruling vide the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 17 November, 2009 in respect of the above subject matter, Hon. Ita Enang sought leave of the House to present the Report.

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

9. Virement Proposal for Some Provisions in the 2009 Appropriation Act for Ministries, Department and Agencies:

Motion made and Question proposed,

The House:

Notes that pursuant to Section 3 of the Appropriation Act, 2009 amounts appropriated under the Act can be vired;

Further notes that such virement shall only be effected with the prior approval of the National Assembly;

Resolves:

That the House do consider the virement proposals for Ministries, Departments and Agencies of the Federal Government as communicated by Mr President, thereafter committed same to the Committee on Appropriation for further legislative input (*Hon. Tunde Akogun*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

The House:

Noted that pursuant to Section 3 of the Appropriation Act, 2009 amounts appropriated under the Act could be vired;

Further noted that such virement shall only be effected with the prior approval of the National Assembly;

Resolved:

To consider the virement proposals for Ministries, Departments and Agencies of the Federal Government as communicated by Mr President, thereafter committed same to the Committee on Appropriation for further legislative input (**HR. 75/2009**).

10. Consideration of Report:

Committee on Finance:

Report on the investigation into Revenue Generation and Non-remittance by Government Ministries, Department and Agencies and Statutory Corporations into the Federation Account.

Order read, deferred.

11. Adjournment:

That this House do now adjourn till Wednesday, 25 November, 2009 at 10.00 a.m. (*Hon. Tunde Akogun*).

Adjourned accordingly at 12.45 p.m.

Dimeji Sabur Bankole
Speaker

CORRIGENDUM

In the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 19th November, 2009, page 324, item 5 (ii):

Leave out the name "Hon. Zakariyau Galadima" and *insert* the name "Hon. Baba Gishiwari" instead thereof.