



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 12 February, 2009

1. The House met at 10.45a.m. Mr Speaker read Prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 11 February, 2009.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings was adopted.
3. **Announcement:**
Visitors:
Mr Speaker recognized the presence in the Gallery, of Students of the following Academic Institutions:
 - (i) Government Girls Secondary School, Dutse, Abuja;
 - (ii) Accounting Students, University of Abuja;
 - (iii) Law Students, Faculty of Law, Bayero University Kano.
4. **Matter of Urgent Public Importance:**
Citing Order VIII, Rule 4 (1) and (2), Hon. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha drew the attention of the House to the strike action embarked upon by the Maritime Workers Association against congestion and illegal charges at the Ports. She stressed the negative effects of the strike on the economy and urged the House to consider it as a matter of urgent Public Importance.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance, put and negatived
5. **Presentation of Reports:**
 - (i) **Committee on Ethics and Privileges:**
Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Ethics and Privileges on the Petition/Complaint against the Conduct of Some Honourable Members Capable of Discrediting the integrity of the House Leadership" (Hon. Sani Saleh Minjibir).

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.
 - (ii) **Committee on Ethics and Privileges:**
Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Ethics and Privileges on the Investigation into statements made by Hon. Gbenga Oduwaiye to the Press in breach of the privilege of the House" (Hon. Sani Saleh Minjibir).

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

(iii) Committee on Ethics and Privileges:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Ethics and Privileges on the investigation into the Alleged invoicing of the contract for the purchase of official Vehicles for the House" (Hon. Sani Saleh Mijibi).

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

(iv) Committee on Health:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That this House do receive the Report of the House Committee on Health on a Bill for an Act to Provide a Frame Work for the Regulation, Development and Management of a National Health System and set Standard for Rendering Health Services in the Federation, and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2008" (Hon. Ojomo-Alaba Oladoyinbo)

Question put and agreed to.

Report laid.

6. A Bill for an Act to Make Provision for Nigerians to Acquire Interest in Telecommunication Companies Carrying on Global Satellite Mobile Telecommunication (GSM) Business in Nigeria and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2009 — Second Reading:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to make Provision for Nigerians to Acquire Interest in Telecommunication Companies Carrying on Global Satellite Mobile Telecommunication (GSM) Business in Nigeria and for Matters Connected Therewith, 2009 be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Chinwendu Odedo).

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 Communications and Commerce.

7. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Institute of Nigeria Philosophers and to Make Provision for Determining the Standard of Knowledge and Skills to be Attained by Persons Seeking to Become Professional Philosophers and Other Connected Purposes, 2009 — Second Reading:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Establish the National Institute of Nigeria Philosophers and to Make Provision for Determining the Standard of Knowledge and Skills to be Attained by Persons Seeking to Become Professional Philosophers and Other Connected Purposes, 2009 be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Chukwuma Umuoji).

Debate:

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

8. Adjournment:

That this House do now adjourn till Tuesday, 17 February, 2009 at 10.00 a.m. (Hon. Baba Shehu Agaie).

Adjourned accordingly at 1.25 p.m.

Dirieji Sabur Bankole
Speaker