



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 23rd March, 2017

1. The Senate met at 10:45 a.m. The Senate President read Prayers.

2. **Closed Session:**

Closed Session — 10:46 a.m.

Open Session — 11:50 a.m.

The Senate President reported that the Senate in a Closed Session deliberated on issues bordering on the workings of the Senate in particular and the National Assembly in general.

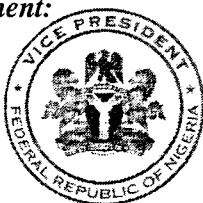
3. The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 21st March, 2017.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

4. **Message from Mr. President:**

The Senate President announced that he had received a letter from Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, which he read as follows:

(a) **Confirmation of Appointment:**



**VICE PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

SH/Ag. President/SEN/01/10

February 27, 2017

His Excellency,
Senator (Dr.) Bukola Saraki, CON
President
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
National Assembly Complex
Three Arms Zone
Abuja

Dear Senate President,

**CONFIRMATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF
RESIDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSIONERS**

In compliance with the provisions of Section 14(3)(a) of the Third Schedule to the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as amended), I write to request the confirmation of the following nominees for appointment as Resident Electoral Commissioners:

S/N	NOMINEE	STATE OF ORIGIN	REMARKS
1.	Professor Godswill Obioma	Abia	New Appointment
2.	Ibrahim Abdullahi, mni	Adamawa	New Appointment
3.	Alhaji Ahmad Makama	Bauchi	Reappointment
4.	James Iorliam Apam	Benue	New Appointment
5.	Barr. Mike A. Igini	Delta	Reappointment
6.	Dr. Nkwachukwu Orji	Ebonyi	New Appointment
7.	Dr. Iloh Joseph Valentine Chuks	Enugu	New Appointment
8.	Hussaini Halilu Pai	FCT	Reappointment
9.	Sadiq Abubakar Musa	Kaduna	Reappointment
10.	Jibrin Ibrahim Zarewa	Kano	Reappointment
11.	Dr. (Mrs.) Asmau Sani Maikudi	Katsina	New Appointment
12.	Dr. Mahmuda Isah	Kebbi	New Appointment
13.	Professor Samuel G. Egwu	Kogi	New Appointment
14.	Amb. (Dr.) Rufus O. Akeiu	Lagos	Reappointment
15.	Professor Mustapha Zubairu	Niger	New Appointment
16.	Agboke Mutiu Olaleke	Ogun	New Appointment
17.	Sam Olugbadebo Olumekun, mni	Ondo	Reappointment
18.	Abdulganiyu Olayinka Raji	Oyo	New Appointment
19.	Professor Riskuwa A. Shehu	Sokoto	New Appointment
20.	Barr. Kasim Gana Geidam	Yobe	Reappointment
21.	Ahmad Bello Mahmud	Zamfara	New Appointment
22.	Dr. Nentawe Goshwe Yilwarda	Plateau	New Appointment
23.	Umar Ibrahim	Taraba	New Appointment
24.	Mr. Emeka Ononamadu Joseph	Imo	New Appointment
25.	Obo. O. Effanga	Cross River	New Appointment
26.	Prof. Francis Chukwuemeka Ezeonu	Anambra	New Appointment
27.	Dr. Briyai O. Frankland	Bayelsa	New Appointment

2. The Curriculum Vitae of twenty-seven (27) nominees are forwarded herewith for information and consideration of the Senate.

3. It is my hope that the Distinguished Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria will consider and confirm the nominees in the usual expeditious manner.

4. Please accept, Senate President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

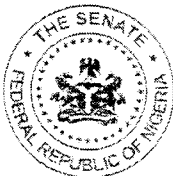
(Signed)

Professor Yemi Osinbajo, SAN, GCON
Ag. President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

5. Announcements:

(a) **Invitation to 65th Birthday of Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu:**

The Senate President read a letter from Senator Oluremi S. Tinubu (Lagos Central) as follows:



SENATOR OLUREMI TINUBU, CON
LAGOS CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT
Chairman, Senate Committee on Environment

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Tuesday 21st March, 2017

*His Excellency,
Senator Dr. Olubukola Saraki, CON
The President of the Senate,
The Federal Republic of Nigeria,
National Assembly Complex,
Abuja.*

Your Excellency,

Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu @ 65

It is a privilege to invite you and my very distinguished colleagues to join us as we celebrate my husband, Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu on his 65th Birthday anniversary.

Having served as a Senator in the third Republic, a former Governor of Lagos State, and a Leader of the All Progressives Congress (APC), he has served and continues to foster the unity of this Nation.

The 9th Bola Tinubu colloquium in honour of his 65th birthday is scheduled as follows:

*Venue: Eko Hotel and Suites 1415, Ademola Adetokunbo Street, Victoria Island, Lagos.
Date: Tuesday 28th March, 2017
Time: 11:00 am.*

We will be honoured by your presence. However, in the event that you are unable to attend, your prayers for him and our family will be appreciated.

Please accept the assurance of my highest regards.

Sincerely,

(Signed)

Senator Oluremi Tinubu, OON

(b) Acknowledgment:

The Senate President acknowledged the presence of the following who were in the gallery to observe Senate Proceedings:

- (i) Staff and Students of Bloomingdale Schools, Bwari, Abuja; and
- (ii) Staff and Students of Aunty Tessy Nursery & Primary School, Mararaba, Nasarawa State.

6. Petitions:

- (i) Rising on Rule 41, Senator Godswill O. Akpabio (*Akwa Ibom North-West*) drew the attention of the Senate to a petition from his constituent, Ndifreke Esther Enoh, over wrongful termination of appointment by the Federal Civil Service Commission. He urged the Senate to look into the matter.

Petition laid and accordingly referred to the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions [Rule 41(3)] to report within two (2) weeks.

- (ii) Rising on Rule 41, Senator Donald O. Alasoadura (*Ondo Central*) drew the attention of the Senate to a petition from his constituent, Bejide Anthony, over refusal to honour agreement by the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC). He urged the Senate to look into the matter.

Petition laid and accordingly referred to the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions [Rule 41(3)] to report within two (2) weeks.

- (iii) Rising on Rule 41, Senator Matthew A. Urhoghide (*Edo South*) drew the attention of the Senate to two (2) petitions:
- (a) Martins Omokri, over wanton looting in the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC);
 - (b) Wilson Amachree, over corruption and contract splitting in the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC);

He urged the Senate to look into the matters.

Petitions laid and accordingly referred to the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions [Rule 41(3)] to report within two (2) weeks.

7. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Shehu Sani (*Kaduna Central*), Chairman, *Ad hoc* Committee on Mounting Humanitarian Crisis in the North East drew the attention of the Senate to the scheduled Public Hearing of 23rd March, 2017, the aimed was to give opportunity to those who deliberately or inadvertently failed to attend the first Public Hearing. Contrary to insinuations by the media, that the Secretary to the Government of the Federation (SGF), Engr. Babachir David Lawal, had gone to Court to prevent his appearance, the SGF has written to the Committee seeking for a new date for the Hearing since the slated date clashed with another pressing government engagement. He assured the Senate that a new date will be fixed to enable the Committee conclude its assignment.

8. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Barnabas A. I. Gemade (*Benue North-East*) drew the attention of the Senate to the spate of killings which took place in Zaki-Biam, Ukum on 20th March, 2017 and earlier one in Katsina-Ala, Logo, Kwande Local Government Areas of Benue North East Senatorial District, killings have occurred in four (4) Local Government Areas, with burning of several houses, thereby displacing thousands of families. He urged the Federal Government to effect Military intervention and the Senate to observe a minute silence in honour of the deceased.

One minute silence accordingly observed in honour of the deceased.

9. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Samuel N. Anyanwu (*Imo West*) drew the attention of the Senate to the security challenges within and around the National Assembly Complex. He observed that there was the need for the security arrangement in the National Assembly to be strengthened to avert unwanted happenings.

10. Matter of Urgent Public Importance:

Rising on Rules 42 and 52, Senator Ahmad I. Lawan (*Yobe North*) drew the attention of the Senate to the the attack at the Parliament in Westminster, London. He sought and obtained the leave of the Senate to present the matter forthwith:

The Senate:

notes with utter sadness the attack by terrorist on the hallowed precincts of the Parliament in Westminster yesterday, Wednesday, 22nd March, 2017;

observes that this attack smites at the heart of the legislature, democracy and the symbol of freedom;

perceives that the attackers carefully chose the legislature which is the mark of liberty and the notion of government of the people, by the people;

acknowledges that the issue of terrorism is no longer a local issue of any country but that all terrorist attack on any country is attack on all who cherish freedom from oppression and the right to live free;

determined that the Senate as a parliament will not relent and must indeed continue to condemn and fight terrorism in whatever shade or form it takes irrespective of where it is targeted;

recognize the long standing and historical ties the Nigerian parliament shares with the Westminster;

reiterates our earlier call as a parliament for closer cooperation against terrorism on a global scale and the need to build synergy and partnership in this regard;

notes that all parliaments across the globe must remain sacred, untainted, impenetrable by the evil hands of terrorism; and

further observes that the parliaments which are the symbol of democracy must be insulated and guarded by all against the evil hands of terror.

The Senate resolves to:

- (i) condemn in totality the attack on the British Parliament in Westminster, London yesterday the 22nd March, 2017;
- (ii) stand together in solidarity with the Westminster and the entire people of the United Kingdom in this hour of trial;
- (iii) call on all Parliaments across the globe to stand together in solidarity with the people of the United Kingdom against all forms of terrorism; and
- (iv) call on the United Nations to develop a more effective counter terrorism protocol of cooperation among member nations that would create greater opportunity for information sharing, engagement and support.

Debate:

Proposed Resolution (i):

Question: That the Senate do condemn in totality the attack on the British Parliament in Westminster, London yesterday the 22nd March, 2017 — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (ii):

Question: That the Senate do stand together in solidarity with the Westminster and the entire people of the United Kingdom in this hour of trial — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (iii):

Question: That the Senate do call on all Parliaments across the globe to stand together in solidarity with the people of the United Kingdom against all forms of terrorism — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (iv):

Question: That the Senate do call on the United Nations to develop a more effective counter terrorism protocol of cooperation among member nations that would create greater opportunity for information sharing, engagement and support — *Agreed to.*

Additional Proposed Resolutions:

Insert Additional Proposed Resolutions as follows:

“(i) That the Senate do send a condolence letter to the British Parliament over the terrorist attack” (*Senator Francis A. Alimikhena — Edo North*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

“(ii) That the Senate do observe a minute silence in honour of the victims of the attack” (*Senator Godswill O. Akpabio — Akwa Ibom North-West*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

Resolved:

That the Senate do:

- (i) condemn in totality the attack on the British Parliament in Westminster, London yesterday the 22nd March, 2017;
- (ii) stand together in solidarity with the Westminster and the entire people of the United Kingdom in this hour of trial;
- (iii) call on all Parliaments across the globe to stand together in solidarity with the people of the United Kingdom against all forms of terrorism;
- (iv) call on the United Nations to develop a more effective counter terrorism protocol of cooperation among member nations that would create greater opportunity for information sharing, engagement and support;
- (v) send a condolence letter to the British Parliament over the terrorist attack; and
- (vi) observe a minute silence in honour of the victims of the attack (*S/Res/116/02/17*).

One minute silence accordingly observed in honour of the deceased.

11. Committee on Foreign Affairs:**Report on the Screening of 47 Non-Career Ambassadorial Nominees:**

Motion made: That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on the Screening of the following persons as Non-Career Ambassadors of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:

No.	Names	State
1.	Dr. Mrs. Uzoma E. Emenike	Abia
2.	Aminu Iyawa	Adamawa
3.	Maj. Gen. Godwin G. Umo (Rtd.)	Akwa Ibom
4.	Christopher J. N. Okeke	Anambra
5.	Yusuf Maitama Tuggar	Bauchi
6.	Baba Madugu	Bauchi
7.	Brig. Gen. Stanley Diriyai	Bayelsa
8.	Prof. Stephen Ugba	Benue
9.	Baba Ahmad Jidda	Borno
10.	Dr. Etubom N. E. Asuquo	Cross River
11.	Engr. Frank Ofeduma	Delta
12.	Mr. Jonah M. Odo	Ebonyi

13.	Ugigue Igbe	Edo
14.	Dr. Eniola Ajayi	Ekiti
15.	Maj. Gen. Chris Eze (rtd.)	Enugu
16.	Alh. Sulieman Hassan	Gombe
17.	Justice Sylvanus Adiewere Nsofor	Imo
18.	Amin Muhammad Dalhatu	Jigawa
19.	Ahmed Nuhu Bamalli	Kaduna
20.	Deborah S. Iliya	Kaduna
21.	Prof. D. Abdulkadir	Kano
22.	Alh. Haruna Ungogo	Kano
23.	Justice Isa Dodo	Katsina
24.	Mohammad Rimi Barade	Katsina
25.	Prof. Tijani Bande	Kebbi
26.	Prof. Y. O. Aliu	Kogi
27.	Nurudeen Mohammed	Kwara
28.	Prof. Mohamed G. Yisa	Kwara
29.	Justice George Adesola Oguntade	Lagos
30.	Mrs. Modupe Irele	Lagos
31.	Musa Ilu Mohammed	Nasarawa
32.	Ahmed Ibeto	Niger
33.	Susanne Aderonke Folarin	Ogun
34.	Jacob Igbekele Daodu	Ondo
35.	Afolahan Adeyemi A.	Osun
36.	Maj. Gen. Ashimiyu A. Olaniyi (Rtd.)	Oyo
37.	James G. Dimka	Plateau
38.	Dr. Haruna Bawa Abdullahi	Plateau
39.	Orji Ngofa	Rivers
40.	Sahabi Isa Gada	Sokoto
41.	Hon. Kabir Umar	Sokoto
42.	Alh. Hassan Jika Ardo	Taraba
43.	Goni Modu Zanna Bura	Yobe
44.	Alh. Garba Gajam	Zamfara
45.	Cpt. Bala Mohammad Mairiga	Zamfara
46.	Habiss Ibrahim Ugbada	FCT
47.	Mr. Adeyinka Olatokunbo Asekun	Ogun

(Senator Monsurat J. A. Sunmonu — Oyo Central).

Question put and agreed to.

Report presented.

Motion made: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report (Senate Leader).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Consideration of the Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on the screening of the Non-Career Ambassadors of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Nominees recommended for confirmation:

1.	Dr. Mrs. Uzoma E. Emenike (Abia)	—	Agreed to.
2.	Aminu Iyawa (Adamawa)	—	Agreed to.
3.	Maj. Gen. Godwin G. Umo (Rtd.) (Akwa Ibom)	—	Agreed to.
4.	Christopher J. N. Okeke (Anambra)	—	Agreed to.

5.	Yusuf Maitama Tuggar (<i>Bauchi</i>)	—	Agreed to.
6.	Baba Madugu (<i>Bauchi</i>)	—	Agreed to.
7.	Brig. Gen. Stanley Diriyai (<i>Bayelsa</i>)	—	Agreed to.
8.	Prof. Stephen Ugba (<i>Benue</i>)	—	Agreed to.
9.	Baba Ahmad Jidda (<i>Borno</i>)	—	Agreed to.
10.	Dr. Etubom N. E. Asuquo (<i>Cross River</i>)	—	Agreed to.
11.	Engr. Frank Ofeduma (<i>Delta</i>)	—	Agreed to.
12.	Mr. Jonah M. Odo (<i>Ebonyi</i>)	—	Agreed to.
13.	Ugigue Igbe (<i>Edo</i>)	—	Agreed to.
14.	Dr. Eniola Ajayi (<i>Ekiti</i>)	—	Agreed to.
15.	Maj. Gen. Chris Eze (<i>Enugu</i>)	—	Agreed to.
16.	Alh. Sulieman Hassan (<i>Gombe</i>)	—	Agreed to.
17.	Amin Muhammad Dalhatu (<i>Jigawa</i>)	—	Agreed to.
18.	Ahmed Nuhu Bamalli (<i>Kaduna</i>)	—	Agreed to.
19.	Deborah S. Iliya (<i>Kaduna</i>)	—	Agreed to.
20.	Prof. D. Abdulkadir (<i>Kano</i>)	—	Agreed to.
21.	Alh. Haruna Ungogo (<i>Kano</i>)	—	Agreed to.
22.	Justice Isa Dodo (<i>Katsina</i>)	—	Agreed to.
23.	Mohammad Rimi Barade (<i>Katsina</i>)	—	Agreed to.
24.	Prof. Tijani Bande (<i>Kebbi</i>)	—	Agreed to.
25.	Prof. Y. O. Aliu (<i>Kogi</i>)	—	Agreed to.
26.	Nurudeen Mohammed (<i>Kwara</i>)	—	Agreed to.
27.	Prof. Mohamed G. Yisa (<i>Kwara</i>)	—	Agreed to.
28.	Justice George Adesola Oguntade (<i>Lagos</i>)	—	Agreed to.
29.	Mrs. Modupe Irele (<i>Lagos</i>)	—	Agreed to.
30.	Musa Ilu Mohammed (<i>Nasarawa</i>)	—	Agreed to.
31.	Ahmed Ibeto (<i>Niger</i>)	—	Agreed to.
32.	Susanne Aderonke Folarin (<i>Ogun</i>)	—	Agreed to.
33.	Afolahan Adeyemi A. (<i>Osun</i>)	—	Agreed to.
34.	Mai. Gen. Ashimiyu A. Olaniyi (Rtd.) (<i>Oyo</i>)	—	Agreed to.
35.	James G. Dimka (<i>Plateau</i>)	—	Agreed to.
36.	Dr. Haruna Bawa Abdullahi (<i>Plateau</i>)	—	Agreed to.
37.	Orji Ngofa (<i>Rivers</i>)	—	Agreed to.
38.	Sahabi Isa Gada (<i>Sokoto</i>)	—	Agreed to.
39.	Hon. Kabir Umar (<i>Sokoto</i>)	—	Agreed to.
40.	Alh. Hassan Jika Ardo (<i>Taraba</i>)	—	Agreed to.
41.	Goni Modu Zanna Bura (<i>Yobe</i>)	—	Agreed to.
42.	Alh. Garba Gajam (<i>Zamfara</i>)	—	Agreed to.
43.	Cpt. Bala Mohammad Mairiga (<i>Zamfara</i>)	—	Agreed to.
44.	Habiss Ibrahim Ugbada (<i>FCT</i>)	—	Agreed to.
45.	Mr. Adeyinka Olatokunbo Asekun (<i>Ogun</i>)	—	Agreed to.

Nominees not recommended for confirmation:

1.	Justice Sylvanus Adiewere Nsofor (<i>Imo</i>)	—	Negated.
2.	Jacob Igbekele Daodu (<i>Ondo</i>)	—	Negated.

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on the Screening of the Non-Career Ambassadors of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and approved as follows:

Approved Nominations:

1.	Dr. Mrs. Uzoma E. Emenike	Abia
2.	Aminu Iyawa	Adamawa
3.	Maj. Gen. Godwin G. Umo (Rtd.)	Akwa Ibom
4.	Christopher J. N. Okeke	Anambra
5.	Yusuf Maitama Tuggar	Bauchi
6.	Baba Madugu	Bauchi
7.	Brig. Gen. Stanley Diriyai	Bayelsa
8.	Prof. Stephen Ugba	Benue
9.	Baba Ahmad Jidda	Borno
10.	Dr. Etubom N. E. Asuquo	Cross River
11.	Engr. Frank Ofeduma	Delta
12.	Mr. Jonah M. Odo	Ebonyi
13.	Ugigwe Igbe	Edo
14.	Dr. Eniola Ajayi	Ekiti
15.	Maj. Gen. Chris Eze	Enugu
16.	Alh. Sulieman Hassan	Gombe
17.	Amin Muhammad Dalhatu	Jigawa
18.	Ahmed Nuhu Bamalli	Kaduna
19.	Deborah S. Iliya	Kaduna
20.	Prof. D. Abdulkadir	Kano
21.	Alh. Haruna Ungogo	Kano
22.	Justice Isa Dodo	Katsina
23.	Mohammad Rimi Barade	Katsina
24.	Prof. Tijani Bande	Kebbi
25.	Prof. Y. O. Aliu	Kogi
26.	Nurudeen Mohammed	Kwara
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28.	Justice George Adesola Oguntade	Lagos
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33.	Afolahan Adeyemi A.	Osun
34.	Mai. Gen. Ashimiyu A. Olaniyi (Rtd.)	Oyo
35.	James G. Dimka	Plateau
36.	Dr. Haruna Bawa Abdullahi	Plateau
37.	Orji Ngofa	Rivers
38.	Sahabi Isa Gada	Sokoto
39.	Hon. Kabir Umar	Sokoto
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43.	Cpt. Bala Mohammad Mairiga	Zamfara
44.	Habiss Ibrahim Ugbada	FCT
45.	Mr. Adeyinka Olatokunbo Asekun	Ogun

Rejected Nominations:

1. Justice Sylvanus Adiewere Nsofor (*Imo*)
2. Jacob Igbekele Daodu (*Ondo*)

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Confirmation of nominations:*Question:*

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Dr. Mrs. Uzoma E. Emenike (*Abia*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Dr. Mrs. Uzoma E. Emenike (Abia) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Aminu Iyawa (*Adamawa*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Aminu Iyawa (Adamawa) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Maj. Gen. Godwin G. Umo (Rtd.) (*Akwa Ibom*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Maj. Gen. Godwin G. Umo (Rtd.) (Akwa Ibom) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Christopher J. N. Okeke (*Anambra*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Christopher J. N. Okeke (Anambra) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Yusuf Maitama Tuggar (*Bauchi*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Yusuf Maitama Tuggar (Bauchi) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Baba Madugu (*Bauchi*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Baba Madugu (Bauchi) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Brig. Gen. Stanley Diriyai (Rtd.) (*Bayelsa*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Brig. Gen. Stanley Diriyai (Rtd.) (Bayelsa) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Prof. Stephen Ugba (*Benue*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Prof. Stephen Ugba (Benue) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Baba Ahmad Jidda (Borno) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Baba Ahmad Jidda (Borno) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Dr. Etubom N. E. Asuquo (Cross River) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Dr. Etubom N. E. Asuquo (Cross River) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Engr. Frank Ofeduma (Delta) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Engr. Frank Ofeduma (Delta) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Mr. Jonah M. Odo (Ebonyi) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Mr. Jonah M. Odo (Ebonyi) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Ugigwe Igbe (Edo) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Ugigwe Igbe (Edo) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Dr. Eniola Ajayi (Ekiti) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Dr. Eniola Ajayi (Ekiti) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Maj. Gen. Chris Eze (Rtd.) (Enugu) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Maj. Gen. Chris Eze (Enugu) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Alh. Sulieman Hassan (Gombe) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Alh. Sulieman Hassan (Gombe) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Amin Muhammad Dalhatu (Jigawa) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Amin Muhammad Dalhatu (Jigawa) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Ahmed Nuhu Bamalli (Kaduna) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Ahmed Nuhu Bamalli (Kaduna) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Deborah S. Iliya (Kaduna) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Deborah S. Iliya (Kaduna) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Prof. D. Abdulkadir (Kano) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Prof. D. Abdulkadir (Kano) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Alh. Haruna Ungogo (Kano) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Alh. Haruna Ungogo (Kano) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Justice Isa Dodo (Katsina) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Justice Isa Dodo (Katsina) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Mohammad Rimi Barade (Katsina) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Mohammad Rimi Barade (Katsina) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Prof. Tijani Bande (Kebbi) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Prof. Tijani Bande (Kebbi) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Prof. Y. O. Aliu (Kogi) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Prof. Y. O. Aliu (Kogi) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Nurudeen Mohammed (Kwara) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Nurudeen Mohammed (Kwara) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Prof. Mohamed G. Yisa (Kwara) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Prof. Mohamed G. Yisa (Kwara) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Justice George Adesola Oguntade (Lagos) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Justice George Adesola Oguntade (Lagos) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Mrs. Modupe Irele (Lagos) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Mrs. Modupe Irele (Lagos) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Musa Ilu Mohammed (Nasarawa) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Musa Ilu Mohammed (Nasarawa) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Ahmed Ibeto (Niger) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Ahmed Ibeto (Niger) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Susanne Aderonke Folarin (Ogun) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Susanne Aderonke Folarin (Ogun) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Afolahan Adeyemi A. (Osun) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Afolahan Adeyemi A. (Osun) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Mai. Gen. Ashimiyu A. Olaniyi (Rtd.) (Oyo) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Mai. Gen. Ashimiyu A. Olaniyi (Rtd.) (Oyo) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of James G. Dimka (Plateau) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of James G. Dimka (Plateau) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Dr. Haruna Bawa Abdullahi (Plateau) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Dr. Haruna Bawa Abdullahi (Plateau) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Orji Ngofa (Rivers) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Orji Ngofa (Rivers) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Sahabi Isa Gada (Sokoto) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Sahabi Isa Gada (Sokoto) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Hon. Kabir Umar (Sokoto) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Hon. Kabir Umar (Sokoto) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Alh. Hassan Jika Ardo (Taraba) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?" — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Alh. Hassan Jika Ardo (Taraba) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Goni Modu Zanna Bura (Yobe) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Goni Modu Zanna Bura (Yobe) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Alh. Garba Gajam (Zamfara) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Alh. Garba Gajam (Zamfara) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Cpt. Bala Mohammad Mairiga (Zamfara) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Cpt. Bala Mohammad Mairiga (Zamfara) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Habiss Ibrahim Ugbada (FCT) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Habiss Ibrahim Ugbada (FCT) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Mr. Adeyinka Olatokunbo Asekun (Ogun) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Mr. Adeyinka Olatokunbo Asekun (Ogun) for appointment as a Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

12. Committee on Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC):
Report on the Independent National Electoral Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (SB. 231 & SB. 234):

Motion made: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to resume consideration of the Report of the Committee on Independent National Electoral Commission on the Independent National Electoral Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (*Adjourned Consideration, Thursday, 19th January, 2017*) (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

RESUMED CONSIDERATION OF A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND THE ELECTORAL ACT NO. 6, 2010 AND FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

Extension of Time:

Motion made: That the Senate do sit this day beyond the time appointed for the termination of the Sitting of the Senate (Rule 13) (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Clause 18: Indirect Primaries.

- (7) A Political Party that adopts the system of indirect primaries for the nomination of its candidates for elections shall have both Statutory Delegates and Ad-hoc Delegates who, subject to the provisions of this Act, shall be the only delegates eligible to vote in the Party's indirect primaries, and for the purpose of indirect primaries, -
 - (a) Ad-hoc Delegates shall be registered members of the Party elected at Ad-Hoc Delegates Elections conducted by the Party in accordance with subsection (8) of this section;
 - (b) Statutory Delegates are elected officials of the Party and elected government functionaries identified and listed in subsection (9) of this section; and

Amendment Proposed:

Immediately after the word "Party" in line1, *insert* the words "and Members of the Board of Trustee" (*Senator Abba Kyari — Borno North*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

- (c) an Ad-Hoc Delegates Election is an intra-party election conducted by the Party under subsection (8) of this section to elect the Party's ad-hoc delegates and this election shall, except for a delegates election or primaries in respect of Local Government Council Chairmanship and Ward Councillorship offices in a State of the Federation under subsection (13) of this section, be monitored by the Commission and the result of the Ad-hoc Delegate Election shall be endorsed or certified by the Commission for the correctness and validity of what it states.

Election of Ad-hoc Delegates

- (8) Ad-hoc Delegates to a Political Party's indirect primaries shall be elected in Ad-hoc Delegates Elections at -
 - (a) Ward Congresses which shall be held by the Party in every Ward in the Local Government Areas in the States of the Federation and the FCT, Abuja and where all registered members of the Party in a Ward shall be exclusively eligible to elect Five (5) Ad-hoc Ward Delegates (at least One (1) of whom, except otherwise impracticable, shall be a woman) who, being registered members of the party in that Ward and not delegates already under this Act, presented themselves to be voted for as Ad-hoc Ward Delegates of the Party in that Ward;
 - (b) Local Government Congresses, where Ad-hoc Ward Delegates elected in every Ward in a Local Government Area under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall be exclusively eligible to elect at and for that Local Government Area -

- (i) Fifty (50) Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates (at least Ten (10) of whom, except otherwise impracticable, shall be women) who, being registered members of the party in that Local Government Area and not delegates already under this Act, presented themselves to be voted for as Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates of the Party in that Local Government Area,

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out 18(8)(b)(i) and insert the following instead thereof:

- “(i) Three (3) Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates per Ward (at least one (1) of whom, except otherwise impracticable, shall be a woman) who, being registered members of the party in that Ward and not delegates already under this Act, presented themselves to be voted for as Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates of the Party in that Local Government Area” (*Senator Abba Kyari — Borno North*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

PROVIDED that the total number of Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates elected from a Ward shall not be more than Five (5);

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the Proviso (Senator Abba Kyari — Borno North).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

- (ii) Five (5) Ad-hoc State/FCT Delegates (at least One (1) of whom, except otherwise impracticable, shall be a woman) who, being registered members of the party in that Local Government Area and not delegates already under this Act, presented themselves to be voted for as Ad-hoc State/FCT Delegates of the Party in that Local Government Area,

PROVIDED that the total number of Ad-hoc State/FCT Delegates elected from a Ward shall not be more than One (1); and

- (iii) Five (5) Ad-hoc National Delegates (at least One (1) of whom, except otherwise impracticable, shall be a woman) who, being registered members of the party in that Local Government Area and not delegates already under this Act, presented themselves to be voted for as Ad-hoc National Delegates of the Party in that Local Government Area,

PROVIDED that the total number of Ad-hoc National Delegates elected from a Ward shall not be more than One (1).

Delegates to Nominate Party's Candidates for Elections in Indirect Primaries:

(9) The Statutory and Ad-hoc Delegates identified and listed in each paragraph hereunder for each type of election in this subsection shall be exclusively eligible to vote in a Political Party's indirect primaries to nominate the party's candidate for that election.

Delegates to Nominate Presidential Candidate:

(a) For the purpose of a Presidential Election, the Statutory and Ad-hoc Delegates listed hereunder shall be exclusively eligible to nominate the Presidential Candidate of a Political Party at the Presidential Indirect Primaries or Special National Convention of the Party convened in the FCT Abuja or the capital of a State of the Federation mainly for that purpose:

Statutory Delegates

- (i) Serving members of the Board of Trustees of the Party;
- (ii) Elected serving members of the National Executive Committee of the Party;
- (iii) Elected serving members of the Zonal Executive Committees of the Party;
- (iv) Serving and past Presidents and Vice Presidents of the Federation produced by the party and who are still members of the Party;

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the provision in 18(9)(a)(iv) and *insert* the following instead thereof:

“(iv) Elected serving and past Presidents and Vice Presidents of the Federation who are members of the Party;” (*Senator Abba Kyari — Borno North*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

- (v) Serving and past Governors and Deputy Governors of States of the Federation produced by the party and who are still members of the Party;

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the provision in 18(9)(a)(v) and *insert* the following instead thereof:

“(v) Elected serving and past Governors and Deputy Governors of States of the Federation who are members of the Party” (*Senator Godswill O. Akpabio — Akwa Ibom North-West*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

- (vi) Serving Senators who are registered members of the Party and former Senators who served on the Party's platform and who are still registered members of the Party;

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the provision in 18(9)(a)(vi) and *insert* the following instead thereof:

“(vi) Elected serving Senators and former members of the Senate who are Members of the Party” (*Senator Ike Ekweremadu — Enugu West*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

- (vii) Serving Members of the House of Representatives who are registered members of the Party and past Members of the House of Representatives who served on the Party's platform and who are still registered members of the Party;

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the provision in 18(9)(a)(vii) and *insert* the following instead thereof:

- “(vii) Elected serving Members and former Members of the House of Representatives who are members of the Party” (*Senator Ike Ekweremadu — Enugu West*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

- (viii) Serving Presiding and Principal Officers of States' Houses of Assembly produced by the Party and who are still members of the Party;

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the provision in 18(9)(a)(viii) and *insert* the following instead thereof:

- “(viii) Elected serving Presiding and Principal Officers of States Houses of Assembly who are Members of the Party” (*Senator Abba Kyari — Borno North*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

- (ix) Elected serving Chairmen, Secretaries, Treasurers, Women Leaders and Youth Leaders of State Executive Committees of the Party, including those of the FCT, Abuja;
- (x) Elected serving Chairmen and Secretaries of Local Government Executive Committees of the Party in the Federation;
- (xi) Elected serving Local Government Council Chairmen produced by the Party and who are still members of the Party; and

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the provision in 18(9)(a)(xi) and *insert* the following instead thereof:

- “(xi) Elected serving Local Government Council Chairmen who are Members of the Party; and” (*Senator Mao A. Ohuabunwa — Abia North*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

Ad-hoc Delegates

- (xii) Ad-hoc National Delegates (Five [5] per Local Government Area) elected under subsection (8)(b)(iii) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in each State of the Federation and the FCT, Abuja.

Delegates to Nominate Governorship Candidate:

- (b) For the purpose of a Governorship Election in a State of the Federation, the Statutory and Ad-hoc Delegates listed hereunder shall be exclusively eligible to nominate the Governorship Candidate of a Political Party at the Party's State Governorship Indirect Primaries or Special State Congress which shall hold in the capital of that particular State for that purpose:

Statutory Delegates

- (i) Serving members of the Board of Trustees of the Party who are members of the Party in that State;
- (ii) Elected serving members of the National Executive Committee of the Party who are members of the Party in that State;
- (iii) Elected serving members of the Zonal Executive Committees of the party who are members of the Party in that State;
- (iv) Elected serving and past Presidents and Vice Presidents of the Federation produced who are members of the Party in that State;
- (v) Elected serving and past Governors and Deputy Governors of the State who are members of the Party in that State;
- (vi) Elected serving Senators and former Members of the Senate who are members of the Party;
- (vii) Elected serving Members and former Members of the House of Representatives who are members of the Party;
- (viii) Elected serving Presiding, Principal Officers and Members of that States House of Assembly, and past Presiding Officers of that State House of Assembly who are members of the Party in that State;
- (ix) Elected serving members of the State's Executive Committee of the Party;
- (x) Elected serving Chairmen, Secretaries, Treasurers, Women Leaders and Youth Leaders of Local Government Executive Committees of the Party in that State;
- (xi) Elected serving Local Government Council Chairmen who are members of the Party in that State;

Ad-hoc Delegates

- (xii) Ad-hoc Ward Delegates (Five [5] per Ward) elected under subsection (8)(a) of this section at each Ward Congress held by the Party in every Ward in the Local Government Areas of the States of the Federation;
- (xiii) Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates (Three [3] per Ward) elected under subsection (8)(b)(i) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in the particular State;
- (xiv) Ad-hoc State Delegates (Five [5] per Local Government Area) elected under subsection (8)(b)(ii) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in the particular State; and

- (xv) Ad-hoc National Delegates (Five [5] per Local Government Area) elected under subsection (8)(b)(iii) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in the particular State.

Delegates to Nominate Senatorial Candidate:

- (c) For the purpose of a Senatorial Election to elect a Senator to represent a Senatorial District in a State of the Federation or the FCT, Abuja in the National Assembly, the Statutory and Ad-hoc Delegates listed hereunder shall be exclusively eligible to nominate the Senatorial Candidate of a Political Party at the Party's Senatorial Indirect Primaries or Senatorial Congress which shall hold in the headquarters of that Senatorial District (as shall be designated by the Commission for that purpose):

Statutory Delegates

- (i) Serving members of the Board of Trustees of the Party who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;
- (ii) Elected serving members of the National Executive Committee who are members of the Party in that Senatorial;
- (iii) Elected serving members of the Zonal Executive Committees who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;
- (iv) Elected serving and past Presidents and Vice Presidents of the Federation who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;
- (v) Elected serving and past Governors and Deputy Governors of the State who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;
- (vi) Elected serving Senators and former Members of the Senate who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;
- (vii) Elected serving Members and former Members of the House of Representatives who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;
- (viii) Elected serving Presiding and Principal Officers of the State House of Assembly who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;
- (ix) Elected serving Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Women Leader and Youths Leader of the Party's State (or FCT, Abuja) Executive Committee who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;
- (x) Elected serving Chairmen and Secretaries of Local Government Executive Committees of the Party who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;
- (xi) Elected serving Local Government Council Chairmen who are members of the Party in that Senatorial District;

Ad-hoc Delegates

- (xii) Ad-hoc Ward Delegates (Five [5] per Ward) elected under subsection (8)(a) of this section at each Ward Congress held by the Party in every Ward in Local Government Areas in that Senatorial District;

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the Provision in 18(9)(c)(xii) (Senator Ovie A. Omo-Agege — Delta Central).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

- (xiii) Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates (Three [3] per Ward) elected under subsection (8)(b)(i) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in that Senatorial District;
- (xiv) Ad-hoc State Delegates (Five [5] per Local Government Area) elected under subsection (8)(b)(ii) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in that Senatorial District; and
- (xv) Ad-hoc National Delegates (Five [5] per Local Government Area) elected under subsection (8)(b)(iii) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in that Senatorial District.

Delegates to Nominate House of Representatives Candidate;

- (d) For the purpose of the election of a Member of the House of Representatives to represent a Federal Constituency in a State of the Federation or the FCT, Abuja in the National Assembly, the Statutory and Ad-hoc Delegates listed hereunder shall be exclusively eligible to nominate the House of Representatives Candidate of a Political Party at the Party's House of Representatives Indirect Primaries which shall hold in the headquarters of that Federal Constituency (as shall be designated by the Commission for that purpose):

Statutory Delegates

- (i) Serving members of the Board of Trustees of the Party who are registered members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
- (ii) Elected serving members of the National Executive Committee of the Party who are registered members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
- (iii) Elected serving members of the Zonal Executive Committees of the Party who are registered members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
- (iv) Elected serving and past Presidents and Vice Presidents of the Federation who are members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
- (v) Elected serving and past Governors and Deputy Governors of the State who are members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;

- (vi) Elected serving Senators and former Members of the Senate who are registered members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
 - (vii) Elected serving Members and former Members of the House of Representatives who are registered members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
 - (viii) Elected serving Presiding and Principal Officers of the State House of Assembly who are members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
 - (ix) Elected serving Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Women Leader and Youths Leader of the Party's State (or FCT, Abuja) Executive Committee who are members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
 - (x) Elected serving Chairmen, Secretaries, Treasurers, Women Leaders and Youths Leaders of Local Government Executive Committees of the Party who are members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
 - (xi) Elected serving Local Government Council Chairmen who are members of the Party in that Federal Constituency;
- Ad-hoc Delegates
- (xii) Ad-hoc Ward Delegates (Five [5] per Ward) elected under subsection (8)(a) of this section at each Ward Congress held by the Party in every Ward in Local Government Areas in that Federal Constituency;

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the provision in 18(9)(d)(xii) (Senator Abba Kyari — Borno North).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

- (xiii) Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates (Three [3] per Ward) elected under subsection (8)(b)(i) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in that Federal Constituency;
- (xiv) Ad-hoc State Delegates (Five [5] per Local Government Area) elected under subsection (8)(b)(ii) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in that Federal Constituency; and
- (xv) Ad-hoc National Delegates (Five [5] per Local Government Area) elected under subsection (8)(b)(iii) of this section at each Local Government Congress held by the Party in every Local Government Area in that Federal Constituency.

Delegates to Nominate House of Assembly Candidate:

- (e) For the purpose of the election of a Member of a State House of Assembly to represent a State Constituency in a State of the Federation, the Statutory and Ad-hoc Delegates listed hereunder shall be exclusively eligible to nominate the House of Assembly Candidate of a Political Party at the Party's House of Assembly Indirect Primaries which shall hold in that State Constituency:

Statutory Delegates

- (i) Serving members of the Board of Trustees of the Party who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (ii) Elected serving members of the National Executive Committee of the party who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (iii) Elected serving members of the Zonal Executive Committees of the party who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (iv) Elected serving and past Presidents and Vice Presidents of the Federation who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (v) Elected serving and past Governors and Deputy Governors of a State who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (vi) Elected serving Senators and former Members of the Senate who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (vii) Elected serving Members and former Members of the House of Representatives who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (viii) Elected serving and past members of the State House of Assembly who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (ix) Elected serving members of the Party's State Executive Committee who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (x) Elected serving members of the Party's Local Government Executive Committee who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (xi) Elected serving members of a Ward Executive Committee of the Party who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (xii) Elected serving Local Government Council Chairman and Vice Chairman who are members of the Party in that State Constituency;
- (xiii) Elected serving Ward Councillors who are members of the Party in that State Constituency; and

Ad-hoc Delegates

- (xiv) Ad-hoc Ward Delegates (Five [5] per Ward) elected under subsection (8)(a) of this section at any Ward Congress held by the Party in that State Constituency.
- (xv) Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates elected under subsection (8)(b)(i) of this section from that State Constituency at Local Government Congress of the Party held in the Local Government Area to which that State Constituency belongs;

- (xvi) Ad-hoc State Delegates elected under subsection (8)(b)(ii) of this section from that State Constituency at Local Government Congress of the Party held in the Local Government Area to which that State Constituency belongs; and
- (xvii) Ad-hoc National Delegates elected under subsection (8)(b)(iii) of this section from that State Constituency at Local Government Congress of the Party held in the Local Government Area to which that State Constituency belongs.

Delegates to Nominate Local Government Area Chairmanship Candidate:

- (f) For the purpose of a Local Government Council Chairman Election, the Statutory and Ad-hoc Delegates listed hereunder shall be exclusively eligible to nominate a Local Government Council Chairmanship Candidate of a Political Party at the Party's Local Government Chairmanship Indirect Primaries which shall hold in that Local Government Area headquarters:

Statutory Delegates.

- (i) Serving members of the Board of Trustees of the Party who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (ii) Elected serving members of the National Executive Committee of the Party who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (iii) Elected serving members of the Zonal Executive Committees of the Party who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (iv) Elected serving and past Presidents and Vice Presidents of the Federation who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (v) Elected serving and past Governors and Deputy Governors of the State who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (vi) Elected serving Senators and former Members of the Senate who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (vii) Serving Members of the House of Representatives who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (viii) Serving and past members of the State House of Assembly who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (ix) Elected serving members of the State Executive Committee of the Party who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (x) Elected serving members of a Local Government Executive Committee of the Party who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (xi) Elected serving members of a Ward Executive Committee of the Party who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area;

- (xii) Elected serving and past Local Government Council Chairmen and Vice Chairmen who are members of the Party in that Local Government Area; and

Ad-hoc Delegates

- (xiii) Ad-hoc Ward Delegates elected at Ward Congresses in that Local Government Area under subsection (8)(a) of this section.
- (xiv) Ad-hoc Local Government Delegates (Three [3] per Ward) elected under subsection (8)(b)(i) of this section at the Local Government Congress held by the Party in that Local Government Area;
- (xv) Ad-hoc State Delegates (Five [5] per Local Government Area) elected under subsection (8)(b)(ii) of this section at the Local Government Congress held by the Party in that Local Government Area; and
- (xvi) Ad-hoc National Delegates (Five [5] per Local Government Area) elected under subsection (8)(b)(iii) of this section at the Local Government Congress held by the Party in that Local Government Area.

Question that Clause 18[(7) -(9)(a)(c)(d)] as amended do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Further consideration of the Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Independent National Electoral Commission on the Independent National Electoral Commission Act 2010 (Amendment) Bill, 2017 and approved as follows:

Clause 18[(7) -(9)(a)(c)(d)] — As Amended

Further consideration of the Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

- 13 Committee on Customs and Excise:**
Report on the Nigerian Customs Service Management Act (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2017 (SB. 247):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

- 14. Committee on Establishment and Public Services:**
Report on the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants Bill, 2017 (SB. 236):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

15. **Committee on Establishment and Public Service Matters:**
Report on the Environmental Managers Registration Council of Nigeria (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2017 (SB. 88):
Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.
16. **Nigerians in Diaspora (Establishment) Commission Bill, 2017 (HB. 160) - (Concurrence):**
Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
17. **Chartered Institute of Project Managers of Nigeria (Establishment, etc) Bill, 2017 (HB. 18) - (Concurrence):**
Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
18. **Chartered Institute of Loan and Risk Management of Nigeria Bill, 2017 (HB.77) - (Concurrence):**
Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
19. **Chartered Institute of Local Government and Public Administration Bill, 2017 (HB. 108) - (Concurrence):**
Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
20. **Chartered Institute of Human Capital Development of Nigeria Bill, 2017 (HB. 28) - (Concurrence):**
Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
21. **Chartered Institute of Public Management of Nigeria Bill, 2017 (HB. 78) - (Concurrence):**
Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
22. **Nigerian Council for Social Work (Establishment, etc) Bill, 2017 (HB. 161) - (Concurrence):**
Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
23. **Chartered Institute of Export and Commodity Brokers of Nigeria Bill, 2017 (HB. 85) - (Concurrence):**
Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.
24. **Adjournment:**
And it being 2:40 p.m the Senate President adjourned the Senate till Tuesday, 28th March, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).
Adjourned accordingly at 2:40 p.m.

Abubakar Olubukola Saraki, CON
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.