



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 26 April, 2017

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Nigerian Technical Aid Corps Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1014) (*Hon. Samuel Ikon*) — *First Reading*.
2. Directorate of Technical Cooperation in Africa (Establishment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1015) (*Hon. Samuel Ikon*) — *First Reading*.
3. New Partnership for Africa's Development Commission Bill, 2017 (HB. 1016) (*Hon. Samuel Ikon*) — *First Reading*.
4. Pharmaceutical Technologists and Pharmacy Technicians Regulatory Board of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1017) (*Hon. Mahmud A. Mohammed*) — *First Reading*.
5. Federal College of Dental Technology and Therapy Bill, 2017 (HB. 1018) (*Hon. Patrick Asadu*) — *First Reading*.
6. Erosion Control and Prevention Commission (Establishment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 1019) (*Hon. Obinna Chidoka*) — *First Reading*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**BILLS**

1. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerian Agricultural Quarantine Service and for Other Related Matters (HB. 866) — *Third Reading*.
 2. **Consolidation of Bills:**
 - (a) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Road Safety Commission (Establishment) Act, No. 22 of 2007 to Provide for the Payment of all Monies Received by the Commission into the Federation Account in Accordance with Section 162 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 and for Other Related Matters (HB. 932) (*Hon. Gyang Istifanus Dung*);and
 - (b) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Road Safety Commission (Establishment) Act, 2007 to Provide for the Establishment of a Paramedic Corps of the Federal Road Safety Commission and for Other Related Matters (HB. 939) (*Hon. Bede Eke*).
 3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the School Year (Variation) Act, Cap. S2, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Streamline School Year for Schools and Colleges in Nigeria and for Other Related Matters (HB. 799) (*Hon. Chukwuka W. Onyema*) — *Second Reading*.
 4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Law Officers Act, Cap. L8, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for the Appointment of Law Officers and their Entitlements to Practice in the Courts of Nigeria as well as the Limit to the Powers of the Solicitor-General of the Federation and for Other Related Matters (HB. 681) (*Hon. Bode Ayorinde*) — *Second Reading*.
 5. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Equitable, Beneficial, Efficient and Sustainable Development, Management, Use and Conservation of Nigeria's Surface and Groundwater Resources, to Establish Institutional Arrangements for Nigeria's Water Resources Sector, to Regulate the Water Resources Sector and for other Related Matters (HB. 713) (*Hon. Aliyu Ahman B. Pategi*) — *Second Reading*.
 6. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Statutory Corporations Pensionable Officers (Retiring Age Limit) Act, Cap. S13, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Other Related Matters (HB. 691) (*Hon. Mohammed Umaru Bago*) — *Second Reading*.
 7. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerian Marine Development Bank with Power, among Other Things, to carry on the Business of Marine Credit Insurance and for Other Related Matters (HB. 572) (*Hon. Mohammed Garba Gololo*) — *Second Reading*.
 8. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria Act, Cap. T5, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for the Change of Name of the Council from Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria to Teachers Regulation Council of Nigeria, Regulating and Enforcing Compliance in both Public and Private Schools with the Minimum Standard Requirement for Teachers among Other Things and for Other Related Matters (HBs 936 and 953) (*Hon. Olamide Johnson Oni and Hon. Mohammed Garba Gololo*) — *Second Reading*.
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MOTIONS

9. **Call on the Federal Government to Construct an Earth Dam at Kakun in Miga Local Government Area of Jigawa State:**
Hon. Saidu Miga:

The House:

Notes the determination of the Federal Government to reverse the current economic recession through greater emphasis on increased agricultural production, hence the need to provide an enabling environment for farmers to thrive given the various challenges facing them, such as inadequate funds amid increased cost of acquiring farm implements, among other costs;

Concerned that the Federal and States Governments have failed in their responsibilities to grow the agricultural sector and thus reduce over dependence on oil exports for economic growth;

Cognizant that the construction of an earth dam at Kakun will provide irrigation farming and boost agricultural production in Miga, Jahun and Taura Local Government Areas, thus improving the economy of Jigawa State and Nigeria as a whole;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Government to construct an Earth Dam at Kakun town to provide irrigation across Miga, Jahun and Taura Local Government Areas of Jigawa State; and
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Water Resources and Agricultural Production and Services to liaise with the Federal Ministries of Agriculture and Water Resources to ensure implementation and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

**10. Need to Investigate the Delay in the Issuance of National Identity Cards by the National Identity Management Commission:
Hon. Lovette Ederin Idisi:**

The House:

Notes that in August 2014, the Federal Government adopted the global practice of citizen's identity verification by inaugurating the National Identity Card Scheme to be managed by the National Identity Management Commission (NIMC) which was vested with power to provide identity cards for Nigerians to, among other things, aid population records;

Aware that despite efforts by the government and huge sums invested in the project, over 85% of about 8 million Nigerians who have registered for the exercise have not been issued the identity cards after years of having registered and even the identity cards issued by the NIMC are allegedly not being recognized by Banks and other financial institutions for the purpose of identification;

Concerned that the delay in issuing identity cards to Nigerians whose biometric data have been captured by NIMC is causing Nigerians to lose faith in the exercise, which has also been marred by allegations of sharp practices and constructive abandonment by officers of the NIMC, which have negatively affected the smooth running of the project;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Population to investigate the issues militating against the success of the National Identity Card Scheme and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

**11. Need to Investigate the National Intelligence Agency (NIA) over the ₦43bn Recovered from a Residential Apartment at Osborne Road, Ikoyi, Lagos:
Hon. Babatunde Gabriel Kolawole:**

The House:

Notes the recent announcement by the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) of the discovery of \$42 million, £47,000 and ₦23 million, totaling about ₦43 billion at a luxury apartment at Osborne Road Ikoyi, Lagos allegedly belonging to the former Chairman of the People's Democratic Party and also former Governor of Bauchi State;

Aware that there have been counter claims on the actual ownership of the money suspected to be proceeds of crime or intended for money laundering or electioneering purposes;

Also aware that the Director General of the National Intelligence Agency (NIA), Amb. Ayodele Oke claimed that the money belongs to the NIA and was approved by the previous administration for covert operations of the NIA;

Cognizant of the need for a thorough investigation of the matter in order to ascertain the source of the money given the claims on its ownership and purpose and also the damaging effects it is having on the anti corruption drive of the government;

Resolves to:

Set-up an *Ad-hoc* Committee to investigate the source and actual ownership of the money and report back in two weeks for further legislative action.

12. Need to Compensate Victims of Gas Pipeline Explosion at Evekwu in Emohua Local Government Area of Rivers State:

Hon. Chidi Frank Wihioka:

The House:

Notes that on Wednesday, February 22, 2017, a gas pipeline explosion occurred at Evekwu, causing pandemonium in the surrounding communities and also resulted in loss of lives and injuries to many other people as they fled for their lives;

Also notes that as at Tuesday, February 28, 2017, the death toll arising from the incident had risen amid increasing cases of various illnesses, especially respiratory issues as a result of the release of poisonous gas into the environment;

Concerned that since the unfortunate incident, the Nigerian Agip Oil Company (NAOC) and the Nigerian Liquefied Natural Gas (NLNG), who are the owners of the pipelines have not responded in any way to the incident or made any effort to clean up the area;

Convinced of the unjust and inhumane actions of the companies concerned in abandoning the affected communities which suffered severe damages resulting from the explosion;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to provide relief materials to the victims;
- (ii) also urge the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), the Nigerian Agip Oil Company (NAOC), the Nigerian Liquefied Natural Gas (NLNG) and the Department of Petroleum Resources (DPR) to urgently commence remediation processes to prevent further explosions of gas pipelines in the country;
- (iii) further urge the NNPC, NAOC, NLNG and DPR to compensate victims of the pipeline explosion; and
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Petroleum Resources (Upstream), Petroleum Resource (Downstream), and Gas Resources to ensure implementation and report back in six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

13. Need to Ascertain the Total Amount of Stamp Duty Charges Collected by the Nigerian Postal Service (NIPOST):

Hon. Odeneye Kehinde Olusegun:

The House:

Notes that the Nigerian Postal Service is responsible for collection of stamp duty charges and the amount collected is expected to be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation;

Recalls that in January 2016, the Federal Government issued a circular to banks and other financial institutions to commence the collection of ₦50 per transaction from their customers as Stamp Duty for money received through electronic transfers, cash or cheques;

Also recalls a directive that each bank should open an account designated as NIPOST Stamp Duty Account into which all charges collected should be paid and subsequently transferred every month to the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), NIPOST Stamp Duty Collection Account, while other financial institutions were instructed to remit their collections to any deposit money bank of their choice;

Aware that the introduction of the charges resulted in protests by Nigerians who demanded for clarification on the policy, but the Federal Government assured of transparency, accountability and effective communication in the execution of the policy, but since the introduction of the charge, no information has been disseminated by the Nigerian Postal Service (NIPOST) on the total amount that has so far been collected;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Telecommunications to liaise with the Nigerian Postal Service to ascertain the total account collected so far as Stamp Duty Charges and where the money has been deposited and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

14. Need to Check the Excesses of Security Agents with Regard to Invasion of Residences of Law Abiding Citizens:

Hon. Abubakar Yunusa Ahmad:

The House:

Notes that on 20 April, 2017, some security agents invaded the Abuja residence of Senator Danjuma Goje, the Chairman Senate Committee on Appropriations, which amounted to a gross violation of his fundamental human rights;

Also notes that the security agents destroyed doors, bags, ceiling and soakaways and carted away documents, including Reports of the 2017 Appropriation Bill which was scheduled to be laid before both chambers of the National Assembly during the week;

Concerned by the way and manner security agents, in the course of their duties, invade the privacy of Nigerians citizens with impunity and without regard to law and due process, thus portraying the Federal Government as lawless to discerning observers and commentators, both at home and abroad;

Also concerned that the gestapo manner in which the security agents invade private residences, in the course of carrying out their duties, is causing apprehension in the minds of citizens and unless steps are taken to halt these extra legal actions, the nation may descend into a near fascist state;

Resolves to:

- (i) condemn the invasion of the residence of Distinguished Senator Danjuma Goje by security agents in total disregard of his constitutionally guaranteed right to the privacy of his residence;

- (ii) call on the Inspector General of Police to return all the documents relating to the 2017 Appropriation Bill carted away from the residence not later than tomorrow, Thursday, 27 April, 2017, so that the passage of the 2017 Appropriation Bill is not jeopardized by the unlawful action of the security agents; and
- (iii) set-up an *Ad-hoc* Committee to invite the Inspector-General of Police to appear before it to explain what warranted the invasion and the laws that backed the Force to carry out such operations and report back in two weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

15. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Ahmadu Bello University (Transitional Provisions) Act, Cap. A 14, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Other Related Matters (HB. 260) (*Committee of the Whole*: 13/10/2016).
16. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Wages Boards and Industrial Councils Act, Cap. W1, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Other Related Matters (HB. 282) (*Committee of the Whole*: 10/1/2017).
17. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Report on the Petition by Alfa Onum:
Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:
 "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Alfa Onum against the Nigeria Customs Service on his unlawful retirement from Service and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid*: 4/4/2017):
 - (i) urge the Comptroller General of Customs to re-instate CSC Alfa Onum to the Service with effect from 23 November, 2011 when he was given a letter compulsory retirement;
 - (ii) that CSC Alfa Onum should make the entire relevant documents needed for computation of his entitlements and benefits available to the Nigeria Customs Service;
 - (iii) that if no action is taken 3 months after this Resolution, the petitioner should report back to the House for further legislative action.
18. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Report on the Petition by Mr Odoh Daniel O.:
Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:
 "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Odoh Daniel against the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) on the unlawful termination of his appointment and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 4/4/2017):

 Urge the Federal Road Safety Commission to reinstate Mr Odoh Daniel O. to the service of the FRSC and pay him all his salary arrears, including entitlements and benefits, with effect from 20 September, 2015, the date of termination of his appointment.
19. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Report on the Petition by Stella Chinyere Udu and Co. on behalf of Mr Festus Ijerhe:
Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:
 "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Stella Chinyere Udu and Co. against the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) on behalf of Mr Festus Ijerhe on alleged wrongful termination of his appointment and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 4/4/2017):

 Urge the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) to commit the termination of the appointment of Mr Festus Ijerhe to retirement, and pay all his arrears of salaries and gratuity.

20. **Committee on Public Petitions:***Report on the Petition by Anthony Agbonlahor and Associates:***Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:**

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Anthony Agbonlahor and Associates against the Nigerian Liquefied Natural Gas Company (NLNG) for victimization, breach of contract and damage of business reputation and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid: 4/4/2017*):

That in view of the withdrawal letter sent to the Committee by the petitioner, the Committee recommends the withdrawal of the petition.

21. **Committee on Public Petitions:***Report on the Petition by Egang Agabi and Co. on behalf of Chief Festus Oduenyi:***Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:**

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Egang Agabi and Co. on behalf of Chief Festus Oduenyi against the Nigeria Customs Service for the conversion of textile goods in the sum of ₦96,460,000.00 (nine-six million, four hundred and sixty thousand Naira) only and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 4/4/2017*):

- (i) urge the Nigeria Customs Service to either release the goods, which were unjustly seized; or
- (ii) pay Chief Festus Oduenyi, the equivalent in monetary terms, which is the sum of ₦96,460,000.00 (ninety-six million, four hundred and sixty thousand Naira) only with immediate effect.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 26 April, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Local Content	Wednesday, 26 April, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Public Accounts	Wednesday, 26 April, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 446 New Building (House) Assembly Complex