



SENATE OF THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 4th May, 2017

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1. Prayers
 2. Approval of the Votes and Proceedings
 3. Oaths
 4. Announcements (if any)
 5. Petitions
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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Joint Committee on Appropriation and Finance
Appropriation Bill, 2017 (SB. 412)
Sen. Danjuma Goje (*Gombe Central*) - Sen. John Enoh (*Cross River Central*)
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Joint Committee on Appropriation and Finance on the Appropriation Bill, 2017 (SB. 412) -*To be Laid.*
2. Report of the Committees on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters, Foreign Affairs and Anti-Corruption
Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters between Nigeria and other Foreign States Bill, 2017 (SB. 224)
Sen. David Umaru (*Niger East*), Sen. Monsurat Sunmonu (*Oyo Central*) and Sen. Chukwuka Utazi (*Enugu North*)
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Committees on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters, Foreign Affairs and Anti-Corruption on the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters between Nigeria and other Foreign States, Bill 2017 (SB. 224) -*To be Laid.*
3. Report of the Committee on Environment
Erosion Control and Prevention Commission Bill, 2017 (SB. 32)
Sen. Oluremi Tinubu (*Lagos Central*)
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service Matters on the Erosion Control and Prevention Commission Bill, 2017 (SB. 32) -*To be Laid.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION

1. 2016-2018 External Borrowing (Rolling) Plan.
Senate Leader
-That the Senate do consider the Request of Mr. President C-n-C for the Approval of the Federal Government 2016-2018 External Borrowing (Rolling) Plan.

MOTIONS

1. Urgent need for the Repairs/Re-construction and Dualization of Okene - Auchi - Ekpoma - Benin Road

Senator Francis Alimikhena (*Edo North*)

The Senate:

Notes that road infrastructure is critical for economic and commercial development and is one of the most visible signs of government presence in any community or state;

Observes that the Okene - Auchi - Ekpoma - Benin Road is the only major highway that connects South/South, South East to Abuja and the Northern Parts of Nigeria;

Worried that large sections of the road, especially from Okene - Auchi - Ekpoma to Benin have become dangerous craters that can no longer serve as road. It will be impossible to access, if not repaired before the raining season;

Aware that the Federal Road Maintenance Agency (FERMA) used to do palliative road maintenance on this road, however since 2016 FERMA has abandoned its responsibility. This has led to total collapse of the road thus making it difficult to access, especially Auchi - Ewu - Ekpoma section of the road;

Concerned that travel time between Abuja to Benin used to be 6 hours but with the total collapse of the road, now averages 10 hours;

Disturbed that Armed Robbers and Kidnappers taking advantage of the totally deplorable state of the road have become a law unto themselves, ambushing, robbing, dispossessing and killing commuters at will on a daily basis;

Notes that the state of the road requires immediate rehabilitation to reduce the unacceptable level of accidents, robbery and kidnapping on the road;

Aware that the contract for the dualization and reconstruction of the road was awarded to some contractors over 6 years ago and that in the 2016 Appropriation Budget the sum of ₦5B was allocated to two sections of the road leaving the section from Auchi to Ewu;

Observes that this method of selective allocation of fund adopted by the Ministry of Power, Works and Housing in allocating funds on this road is worrisome to our people;

Worried that inspite of the ₦58bn allocation, the contractors abandoned the work on the road on the grounds that the funds allocated for the project was not cash backed,

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Urge* the Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing to urgently mobilize the contractors to site;
- ii. *Urge* FERMA and the Ministry of Power, Works and Housing to Urgently repair the failed portions of the road especially Auchi - Ewu - Ekpoma sections;
- iii. *Urge* the Federal Government to ensure cash backing for the project in the 2017 budget; and
- iv. *Mandate* the Senate Committee on Works to carry out effective oversight on the project before the rainy season commences fully.

2. Incessant Boat Mishap and Loss of Life in the Yauri end of River Niger; urgent need for Federal Government's Intervention.

Sponsor: Senator Bala Ibn Na'Allah (*Kebbi South*)

The Senate:

Notes the recent Boat mishap in Ngaski Local Government in Kebbi South Senatorial district of Kebbi State where 26 lives were lost while some persons are still missing and unaccounted for in the River Niger;

Concerned that the issue of boat mishaps have become a recurring yearly issue with loss of life;

Aware that these same communities were the very communities resettled by the then Northern regional Government in order to build the current kanji dam to provide Electricity for the Country;

Disturbed that despite this development, which has become an annual unfortunate occurrence, nothing has been done to prevent future re-occurrence,

According resolves to:

- i. *Urge* the Ministry of Transport through the National Inland Waterways Authority to immediately Conduct a survey into the Stretch of River Niger in the area with a view to putting safe Navigational aid in place;
- ii. *Urge* the Federal Government to assist the Communities in blasting the big stones and cutting the big trees in the River that hinders safe navigation around the Area;
- iii. *Urge* the National Emergency Management Agency to assist the Communities with relief materials in order to cushion the effect of the disaster; and
- iv. *Urge* the Government to assist the Communities with Modern 50 Seater Boats in order to alleviate the transportation needs of the Communities.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and TETFUND
Maritime University of Nigeria, Okerenkoko (est. etc.) Bill, 2017 (SB. 295)
Sen. Barau Jibrin (*Kano North*)
-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and TETFUND on the Maritime University of Nigeria, Okerenkoko (est. etc.) Bill, 2017 (SB. 295).
2. Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service
Environmental Managers Registration Council of Nigeria (est, etc) Bill, 2017 (SB. 88)
Sen. Emmanuel Paulker (*Bayelsa Central*)
-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service on the Environmental Managers Registration Council of Nigeria (est, etc) Bill, 2017 (SB. 88).
3. Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service Matters
Chartered Institute of Management Accountants Bill, 2017 (SB. 236)
Sen. Emmanuel Paulker (*Bayelsa Central*)
-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service Matters on the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants Bill, 2017 (SB. 236).

BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

1. Animal Health and Husbandry Technologies (Registration, etc) Bill 2017 (HB. 320) – *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.
2. Witness Protection Programme Bill 2017 (HB. 132) – *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.
3. Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry Content Development Act 2010 (Amendment) Bill 2017 (HB. 99 & 118)
– *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.
4. Compulsory Treatment and Care of Victims of Gunshots Bill 2017 (HB. 119) – *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.
5. Corporate Manslaughter Bill 2017 HB. 273) – *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.
6. National Child Protection and Enforcement Agency Bill 2017 (HB. 127) – *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Legislative Compliance	Thursday, 4 th May, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 328 Senate New Building
2.	Water Resources	Thursday, 4 th May, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 324 Senate New Building
3.	Joint Committee on Science & Technology, Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters	Thursday, 4 th May, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building
4.	Public Accounts	Thursday, 4 th May, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 305 Senate New Building