



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 25 May, 2017

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VALEDICTORY SESSION IN HONOUR OF THE IMMEDIATE PAST CLERK OF THE HOUSE

Admittance into the Chamber:

Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila:

“That the House do admit into the Chamber, the immediate past Clerk, House of Representatives, Mr Gani Ojagbohunmi, for the purpose of a Valedictory Session in his Honour, pursuant to Order Nineteen, Rule 8 (1) (vi) of the Standing Orders”.

PRESENTATION OF BILL

National Universities Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 958) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*)
— *First Reading*.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Committee on Interior:

Hon. Jagaba Adams Jagaba:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Interior on the Investigation into the Outsourcing of Issuance of Travel Documents, International Passports, Residence Permits and Border Surveillance and Patrol by the Ministry of Interior and the Nigeria Immigration Service (HR. 303/2015)” (*Referred: 17/12/2015*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY**BILLS**

1. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Framework for Credit Reporting, Licensing and Regulation of Credit Bureau and for Other Related Matters (HB. 1033) — *Third Reading*.
 2. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Labour Act, Cap. L1, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make Comprehensive Provisions on Minimum Labour Standards for Nigeria and for Other Related Matters (HB. 437) (*Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*) — *Second Reading*.
 3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation Act, Cap. N123, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Stipulate Legislative Approval for Budgetary Expenditure to Enhance Financial and Fiscal Discipline in the Conduct of Transactions by the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation and for Other Related Matters (HB. 571) (*Hon. Raphael Nnanna Igbokwe*) — *Second Reading*.
 4. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of Erosion Control and Prevention Commission and Vest it with Responsibility for Prevention, Control, Management and Redress of Erosion and for Other Related Matters (HB. 1019) (*Hon. Obinna Chidoka*) — *Second Reading*.
 5. A Bill for an Act to Provide a Legal Framework for the Mainstreaming of Climate Change Responses and Actions into Government Policy Formulation, Implementation and the Establishment of the National Climate Change Council and for Other Related Matters (HB. 1020) (*Hon. Sam I. Onuigbo*) — *Second Reading*.
 6. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Police Reform Trust Fund to Provide for Funds for the Training and Retraining of Personnel of the Nigeria Police Force, Provide Equipment and Machineries to Improve the General Welfare of the Personnel and Enhance their Preparedness to Effectively Discharge their Constitutional Responsibilities of Protecting Lives and Properties of Nigerians and for Other Related Matters (HB. 894) (*Hon. Olamide Oni Johnson*) — *Second Reading*.
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MOTIONS

7. **Receipt and Adoption of the Conference Committee Report on a Bill for an Act to Provide for Secured Transactions, Registration and Regulation of Security Interests in Movable Assets and for Other Related Matters:**
Hon. Sylvester Ogbaga:

The House:

Notes that a Bill for an Act to Provide for Secured Transactions, Registration and Regulation of Security Interests in Movable Assets and for Other Related Matters was passed by both the Senate and the House of Representatives with differences;

Aware that a Conference Committee was constituted by both Chambers to harmonize the areas of differences in the Bill as passed;

Also aware that the Committee met in Conference on Wednesday 24 May, 2017 and harmonized the two versions of the Bill;

In view of the importance of the Bill in providing Registration of Financial Statements and use of Movable Assets as Acceptable Security for Accessing Credit by Individuals and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises in the country;

Resolves to:

Receive and Adopt the Conference Committee Report on a Bill for an Act to Provide for Secured Transactions, Registration and Regulation of Security Interests in Movable Assets and for Other Related Matters.

8. Receipt and Adoption of the Conference Committee Report on a Bill for an Act to Facilitate the Use of Information in Electronic Form for Conducting Transactions in Nigeria and for Other Connected Purposes:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

The House:

Notes that a Bill for an Act to Facilitate the Use of Information in Electronic Form for Conducting Transactions in Nigeria and for Other Connected Purposes was passed by both the Senate and the House of Representatives with differences;

Aware that a Conference Committee was constituted by both Chambers to harmonize the areas of differences in the Bill as passed;

Also aware that the Committee met in Conference on Tuesday 4, April, 2017 and harmonized the two versions of the Bill;

In view of the importance of the Bill in facilitating Electronic Commerce in Nigeria;

Resolves to:

Receive and Adopt the Conference Committee Report on a Bill for an Act to Facilitate the Use of Information in Electronic Form for Conducting Transactions in Nigeria and for Other Connected Purposes.

9. Rescission motion pursuant to Order Nine, Rule 1 (6) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives on "Call on the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports to Postpone the Planned Elections into the National Sports Federations and Recall Members of the Boards that were dissolved":

Hon. Ahmed Babba Kaita:

The House:

Notes that on Wednesday, 10 May, 2017, the House passed a Resolution vide **HR. 191/2017** as contained in the Votes and Proceedings No. 95, page 2,095 of the House of Representatives;

Also notes that the House by the said Resolution called on the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development to postpone the planned elections into the Boards of the National Sports Federations and recall all members of the Boards of the various Sports Federations that were dissolved and mandated the Committee on Sports to investigate the Ministry of Youth and Sports for interfering and issuing the guidelines for the conduct of elections into the Sports Federations and report back within 3 weeks; and further mandated the Committee on Sports to investigate the Ministry of Youth and Sports on non-release of funds appropriated to Sports Federations in the 2016 budget;

Recalls that on Friday, 5 May, 2017, the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development dissolved the Boards of the National Sports Federations and directed the Secretaries of the respective Boards to run the affairs of their various Federations during the process of the elections;

Aware of new emerging facts regarding the reforms being undertaken by the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports to democratise the leadership of the National Sports Federations, ensure that each Federation produces its constitution, remove endemic corruption, and reposition the sports sector for development and maximum performance;

Cognizant that the Ministry requested the National Sports Federations to submit copies of their Constitutions but only 5 Federations complied, leading to the decision of the Ministry and the Nigeria Olympic Committee (NOC) to develop guidelines by which elections would be conducted into Boards of all such Sports Federations;

Also aware that the National Sports Federations are the creation of the Federal Government through the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development which has the power to administer sports development in Nigeria;

Further aware that the Olympic Charter requires all Boards of National Sports Federations to serve for a period of 4 years and as such, Federations are dissolved after every Olympic Games;

Equally aware that the National Sports Federations were inaugurated in May 2013, and have served the full term of 4 years and were duly dissolved in line with the provisions of the Olympic Charter;

Concerned that the facts of the matter were misrepresented which led the House into taking a wrong decision to stop an electoral process initiated by the Ministry of Youth and Sports Development to bring about fairness, transparency and accountability in the administration of Sports in Nigeria;

Also cognizant of the facts and details of the good intentions of the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development to reform the Sports Federations through a successful transition process of democratizing the Federations and providing credible leadership to meet the yearnings and aspirations of sports loving Nigerians;

Resolves to:

Rescind its decision of Wednesday, 10 May, 2017 on the matter *vide* Resolution (HR. 191/2017).

10. Need to Construct the Machina/Dole/Jigawa Border Road:

Hon. Sidi Yakubu Karasuwa:

The House:

Notes that the 60km road links Machina, Konkomma, Garin, Galtima, Falimaram, Shekuri, Kalgidi, Mala Abbari and Kortoni Dole in Yobe and Jigawa States and is of great economic importance in the conveyance of merchandise from Nguru to Niger Republic and vice versa;

Concerned that the deplorable state of the road is causing great hardships to motorists and residents of adjoining communities;

Desirous that the road be constructed so that the communities can enjoy a boost in economic activities, ease movements of goods and people and further improve the quality of life in those areas;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing to carry out a survey and design of the Road and include its construction in any Supplementary Appropriation for 2017 or the 2018 budget proposal; and
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Works and Appropriations to ensure compliance.

**11. Need to Commence Construction Work on the Anyigba-Dekina-Gboloko and Shintaku Bridge:
Hon. Benjamin Ikani Okolo:**

The House:

Notes that the Road from Anyigba-Dekina-Odenyi-Gboloko and Shintaku connecting to Lokoja is a Federal road that cuts across Dekina, Bassa and Ajaokuta Local Government Areas of Kogi State and was first constructed in the 1960s but the bridge was not constructed;

Aware of statistics showing that over two thousand vehicles from both within and outside Kogi State ply the road on a daily basis;

Concerned that a population of over two hundred thousand (200,000) inhabitants of the area who are mainly farmers have, over the years been gnashing their teeth in frustration and agony arising from the fact that their farm produce have had to perish in their farms as a result of lack of access road to convey the produce to the markets;

Cognizant that construction of the bridge has the potential of easing the pains and frustration which the farmers and commuters have had to contend with for generations due to the absence of the bridge as it will bring about massive socio-economic activities that will aid the diversification drive of the government;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing to provide for the construction of the Bridge to ease movement of commuters and farm produce; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Works to ensure implementation.

**12. Need to Revive the Metallurgical Training Centre, Ajaokuta:
Hon. Lawal Muhammed Idirisu:**

The House:

Notes the moribund state of the Metallurgical Training Centre (MTC) of Ajaokuta Steel Company Limited established in November 1978, with the main aim of providing skilled manpower for Ajaokuta Steel Company Limited;

Also notes that the Centre was patterned in an organizational structure after the Kharkov Polytechnic in the former Soviet Union and also designed so that the trainees would be able to make some of the industrial spare parts and equipment in the course of their practical works;

Aware that the centre has 44 training programmes, can accommodate 3,540 trainees on long term basis and is equipped with world class facilities such as 61 classrooms with audio-visual aids, 30 laboratories with stores, 2 administrative units with boardroom and staff common rooms, 300 reading capacity library with adequate shelves for 25,000 books and 30,000 journals, 722 sitting capacity auditorium equipped with overhead projector, facilities for stage performance and a central air-conditioning system;

Also aware that in addition to the afore-mentioned facilities, the Centre has a 1000 sitting capacity refectory with additional provision for cooking and storage, a gymnasium with 500 spectators capacity, administrative block, water treatment plant and power house, all within a perimeter fenced environment;

Concerned that despite the availability of all these facilities for training at the Centre, government agencies, instead of utilizing the centre, prefer to spend huge amounts of money to hire hotels for holding of conferences, workshops and seminars;

Convinced that the Centre is capable of designing, developing and organizing training for the immediate and future needs of steel, oil and gas and other industrial requirements of both public and private agencies and firms;

Also convinced that the Centre, when fully in operation, will provide training in steel technology for various levels of manpower and allied industries to meet the job requirements and reduce dependence on overseas training, thereby saving scarce foreign exchange;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge Government Agencies, both at the Federal and State levels, to utilize the Centre for training, seminars, conferences and workshops in order to save scarce resources;
- (ii) also urge the National Board for Technical Education (NABTE) to expedite action on the accreditation of education and training being offered by the Centre for national certification system; and
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Steel and Tertiary Education and Services to ensure implementation and report back within eight (8) weeks for further legislative action.

13. Need to Utilize the Observation/Service Camps at Chigwong in Pankshin Local Government Area of Plateau State:

Hon. Golu Timothy Simon:

The House:

Notes that the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) built Observation/ Service Camps across the Federation as a stop gap measure to reduce carnage on the highways, provide first aid treatment for accident victims and ensure security of lives and protection of properties at vulnerable points on Federal roads;

Aware that there are three of such facilities built in Plateau State that are located at Riyom in the Northern zone, Shendam in the Southern zone and Chigwong in Pankshin local government area but while the first two are being fully utilized by the Federal Road Safety Commission and the Police, the one at Chigwong has not been put to use and is rotting away, thereby creating avoidable traffic snarl and security challenges for motorists and residents of the area as criminals hide in the facility from where they carry out their nefarious activities;

Concerned that a massive facility that was constructed at huge costs to the nation could be left to deteriorate without concerned agencies considering putting it to the use for which it was built;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency and the Federal Road Safety Commission (FERMA/FRSC) to take inventory of all the Observation/Service Camps built across the country to determine their states of functionality;
- (ii) also urge the FRSC and the Nigeria Police Force to, as a matter of urgency, deploy patrol personnel to occupy the facility and commence work so as to save lives of accident victims and protect motorists from criminals; and
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA), Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), and Police Affairs to ensure implementation.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

14. ***Ad-hoc* Committee on Development and Standardization of Manuals and Templates for the House of Representatives:****Hon. Aminu Shehu Shagari:**

“That the House do consider the Report of the *Ad-hoc* Committee on Development and Standardization of Manuals and Templates for the House of Representatives namely: (i) Public Hearing Manual, (ii) Oversight Manual, (iii) Reporting Manual and (iv) Committee Manual, and approve the recommendations therein” (*Laid: 11/5/2017*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday, 25 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	<i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on the need to avert a breakdown of law and order in Kano State	Thursday, 25 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 141 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Local Content	Thursday, 25 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Telecommunications (<i>Public Hearing on Stamp Duties Act (Amendment), Bill, 2016 (HB. 889) and Nigeria Postal Commission Bill, 2015 (HB. 23)</i>)	Thursday, 25 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 236 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	<i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee to carry out investigation on the Approach for Reparation and Repatriation of Historical Artefacts carted away from Nigeria	Thursday, 25 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 460 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	Federal Character (<i>with Legal Aid Council, Federal University of Agriculture, Umudike and Nigerian Languages, Aba</i>)	Thursday, 25 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	<i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on Digital Switch Over in Nigeria	Thursday, 25 May, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 357 New Building (House) Assembly Complex