



**SENATE OF THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
ORDER PAPER**

Thursday, 27th July, 2017

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 2. Approval of the Votes and Proceedings
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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Weights and Measures Implementation Agency Bill, 2017 (SB. 506) - *First Reading*
Sen. Fatimat Raji-Rasaki (*Ekiti Central*).
 2. Federal University of Education, Okene (Est, etc) Bill, 2017 (SB. 546) - *First Reading*
Sen. Ahmed Ogembe (*Kogi Central*).
 3. Nigerian Press Council Act 1992 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2017 (SB. 547) - *First Reading*
Sen. Suleiman Adokwe (*Nasarawa South*).
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PRESENTATION OF A REPORT

1. Report of the Committee on Trade and Investment
Counterfeit Goods Bill, 2017 (SB.117)
Sen. Fatimat Raji-Rasaki (*Ekiti Central*)
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Committee on Trade and Investment on the Counterfeit Goods, 2017 (SB.117) - *To be Laid*.
 2. Report of the Committee on Power, Steel Development and Metallurgy
Hydro-Electricity Power Producing Areas Development Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2017(SB. 89)
Sen. Enyinnaya H. Abaribe (*Abia South*)
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Committee on Power, Steel Development and Metallurgy on the Hydro-Electricity Power Producing Areas Development Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (SB. 89) - *To be Laid*.
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. The need for Revenue Mobilization Allocation and Fiscal Commission to discharge its constitutional functions under paragraph 32 of the Third Schedule to the Constitution.

Sponsor: Senator Muhammad Adamu Aliero (*kebbi central*)

The Senate:

Notes that pursuant to paragraph 32 of the Third Schedule of the constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as Amended, the Revenue Mobilization Allocation and Fiscal Commission was established to among other things review, from time to time the revenue allocation formula and principles in operation to ensure conformity with changing realities; provided that any revenue formula which has been accepted by an Act of National Assembly shall remain in force for a period of not less than five years (5years) from the date of the commencement of the Act;

Observes that the present Revenue Allocation Formula has been in operation before the commencement of this democratic dispensation in 1999;

Aware that there is no extant Act of the National Assembly accepting the present Revenue Allocation Formula which means the formula in use now is unconstitutional;

Notes that the constitution does not contemplate that a particular revenue formula is to be in force in perpetuity, in fact the constitution requires the formula to be reviewed every 5 years;

Notes also that the current formula is blind to present and changing economic realities and unjustifiably skewed in favour of the Federal Government;

Aware that most of the States of the Federation are under the bailout of the Federal Government which runs into billions of Naira, and as a result of this bailout most of the States are deeply in debt and the fear is that successive State governments are going to inherit huge and unsurmountable debts;

Worried that unless the present formula is reviewed in favour of the States and Local Governments, real growth and development will continue to elude this great country,

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Urge* the Revenue Mobilization Allocation and Fiscal Commission to discharge its constitutional duties and functions;
- ii. *Direct* the Revenue Mobilization Allocation and Fiscal Commission to Review, the present Revenue Allocation formula, to reflect the present and changing economic realities of our country; and
- iii. *Urge* the Federal Government to table the proposed Revenue collection formula before the National Assembly for deliberation and passage into law.

2. Re: Bakassi Indigenes in Diaspora in the Cameroons.

Sponsor: Sen. Rose Okoji Oko (*Cross River North*)

Co-Sponsors:

Sen. Olanrewaju A. Tejuoso (*Ogun Central*)
 Sen. Gershom H. Bassey (*Cross River South*)
 Sen. Ogba Obinna (*Ebonyi Central*)
 Sen. Umaru I. Kurfi (*Katsina Central*)
 Sen. Andy Uba (*Anambra South*)

The Senate:

Notes that the Bakassi indigenes of Cross River and Akwa Ibom states have resided in the geographic area known as the Bakassi Peninsula for generations;

Notes that following agreements and treaties from 1885 between Britain, Germany and France over the boundary between Nigeria and Cameroon and actions between the two governments Nigeria and Cameroon, the ownership of the Bakassi Peninsula became contentious;

Notes that on 29th March, 1994, Cameroon took the matter to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and on 10th October, 2002 the ICJ ruled in favour of Cameroon;

Also notes that on 12th June, 2006 an agreement between the two countries known as the Green Tree Agreement was signed for the withdrawal of Nigerian troops and the ceding of the Bakassi Peninsula to the Cameroons peacefully;

Further notes that the Green Tree Agreement had the following provisions concerning the status of Nigerians living on the Peninsula. Cameroon would:

- a. not force Nigerian nationals living in the Bakassi Peninsula to leave the zone or change their nationality;
- b. respect their culture, language and beliefs;
- c. respect their rights to continue their agricultural and fishing activities;
- d. protect their properties and customary land rights;
- e. not levy in any discriminatory manner any taxes and other dues on Nigerian nationals living in the zone; and
- f. take every necessary measure to protect Nigerian nationals living in the zone from any harassment or harm.

Thus, Cross River and Akwa Ibom states indigenes formerly Nigerians had become Nigerians living in diaspora in the Cameroons;

Alarmed that these Nigerians already traumatized by suddenly finding themselves as foreigners in their natural habitat are being subjected to further harassment;

Concerned that those that returned after the ICJ ruling and the Green Tree Agreement had not been properly resettled back in Nigeria; living in makeshift accommodation for several years now;

Alarmed that about a few weeks ago a large number of Bakassi indigenes in the Cameroons returned to Nigeria in grave distress;

Further alarmed that ninety-seven (97) Nigerians were feared to have been killed in an attack by Cameroonian gendarmes over failure to pay a discriminatory boat levy of N100, 000.00. The attack was targeted mainly at Nigerians from Akwa Ibom, Cross River and Ondo states;

Notes that even if preliminary investigations have revealed, as is reported in the media, that they were not killed but died in the sea, the fact remains that they were obviously fleeing from their host country in distress;

Further notes that the causes of the flight should be investigated and identified;

Very concerned that this action clearly violates agreements article 3 (2) e and f listed above of the Green Tree Agreement;

Very alarmed at growing discriminatory treatment of Nigerians in Diaspora often leading to deaths as has been the case in South Africa and indeed the Cameroons since the ceding of the Bakassi Peninsula;

Notes that indeed Nigerians in Diaspora in the Bakassi had suffered attacks leading to death on several occasions in the past;

Very worried that if the Nigerian government does not come up with a definite policy of protecting its citizens, Nigerians in Diaspora especially in Africa and other regions will continue to witness growing xenophobic attacks, killings and harassments;

Saddened that these things are happening despite the huge resources and benevolence that Nigeria had expended on and shown to our African brothers,

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Condemn* in strong terms the actions of the Cameroonian gendarmes against Nigerians in the Bakassi Peninsula;
- ii. *Call* on the Federal Government to come up with a clear policy on the protection of her indigenes in the Diaspora especially those that live within the ambit of the law;

- iii. *Call* on the Cameroonian government through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to respect the provisions of the Green Tree Agreement;
- iv. *Investigate* the recent harassment of Bakassi indigenes in the Cameroons that led to the death of some of them and their mass return;
- v. *Call* on NEMA to immediately send relief to the returnees to reach them directly; and
- vi. *Refer* the matter to the Committees on Diaspora and Foreign Affairs to report back within 2 weeks.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to provide for Framework relating to Petroleum Producing Host Community's participation, cost and benefit sharing amongst the Government, Petroleum Exploration Companies and Petroleum Host Communities and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 404) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Kabir Garba Marafa (*Zamfara Central*).
2. A Bill for an Act to Establish a Fiscal Framework that encourages further investment in the Petroleum Industry whilst increasing accruable revenues to the Federal Government of Nigeria and for other connected matters, 2017 (SB. 472) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Alasoadura Omotayo (*Ondo Central*).
3. A Bill for an Act to provide for the administrative framework for the Petroleum Industry and for other connected matters, 2017 (SB. 540) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Bassey A. Akpan (*Akwa Ibom North-East*).
4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) Act 2000 and for other connected matters therewith, 2017 (SB. 544) – *Second Reading*
Sen. Peter Nwaboshi (*Delta North*).

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. Conference Committee Report
Sen. Obinna Ogba (*Ebonyi Central*)
-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Conference Committee on a Bill for an Act to amend the National Lottery Act 2005 to make Consequential Provisions for effective operation of Lottery in Nigeria and for other related matters, 2017.
2. Conference Committee report
Procurement Act 2007 (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (SB. 232)
Sen. Joshua Dariye Chibi (*Plateau Central*)
-That the Senate do consider the Conference Committee report on the Procurement Act 2007 (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (SB. 232).
3. Report of the Committee on Anti - Corruption and Financial Crimes
Nigerian Financial Intelligence Agency (Est, etc.) Bill, 2017 (SB. 535)
Sen. Utazi Chukwuka (*Enugu North*)
-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Anti - Corruption and Financial Crimes on the Nigerian Financial Intelligence Agency (Est, etc.) Bill, 2017 (SB. 535).
4. Report of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Planned Concession of the Port-Harcourt Refinery to AGIP/ENI and OANDO
Sen. Abubakar Kyari (*Borno North*)
-That the Senate do consider the report of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Planned Concession of the Port-Harcourt Refinery to AGIP/ENI and OANDO.
5. Report of the Senate Committee on Education, Primary and Secondary
Compulsory Universal Basic Education Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (SB.307 & 374)

Sen. Aliyu M. Wamakko (*Sokoto North*)

-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Education, Primary and Secondary on the Compulsory Universal Basic Education Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (SB. 307 & 374).

6. Report of the Committee on Banking, Insurance and other Financial Institutions

Sen. Rafiu Adebayo Ibrahim (*Kwara South*)

-That the Senate do receive the report of the Committee on Banking, Insurance and other Financial Institutions in respect of a Motion on the Unscrupulous Violation of Foreign Exchange (Monitoring & Miscellaneous) Act by Mobile Telecommunication Ltd (MTN) Nigeria and others.

7. Report of the Committee on Local and Foreign Debts

Sen. Shehu Sani (*Kaduna Central*)

-That the Senate do consider the reports of the Committee on Local and Foreign Debts on:

(a) the 2016 - 2018 External Borrowing (Rolling) Plan; and

(b) the Pipeline Projects for 2016 - 2018 Medium Term External Borrowing (Rolling) Plan for State Governments.

8. Report of the Senate Committees

2017 Budget of Corporations and Agencies of Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

Senate Leader

-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of Senate Committees on the 2017 Budget of Corporations and Agencies of Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria - *Committee of the Whole*.

1. Central Bank of Nigeria;
2. National Insurance Commission;
3. Nigerian Deposit Insurance Corporation;
4. Federal Mortgage Bank;
5. Corporate Affairs Commission;
6. Oil and Gas Free Zones Authority;
7. Financial Reporting Council;
8. Nigerian Export/Import Bank;
9. Nigerian Export Promotion Council;
10. Nigerian Airspace Management Agency;
11. Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority;
12. Federal Radio Corporation of Nigeria;
13. National Broadcasting Commission;
14. Nigerian Television Authority;
15. National Film and Video Censors Board;
16. Galaxy Backbone Limited;
17. National Information Technology Development Agency;
18. National Automotive Design and Development Council;
19. Standards Organization of Nigeria;
20. Industrial Training Fund;
21. Joint Admission and Matriculation Board;
22. National Business and Technical Education Board;
23. Tertiary Education Trust Fund;
24. National Agency for Food and Drug Admin. And Control;
25. National Centre for Women Development;
26. National Examination Council;
27. National Inland Waterways Authority;
28. Nigerian Shippers Council;
29. National Maritime Authority;
30. Nigerian Ports Authority;
31. National Lottery Regulatory Commission;
32. National Pension Commission;
33. Nigerian Agricultural Insurance Corporation;
34. Nigerian Airspace Management Agency;
35. Raw Materials Research and Development Council;

36. Nigerian Communications Satellite;
37. Nigerian Communications Commission;
38. Nigerian Postal Service;
39. Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation; and
40. Securities and Exchange Commission.

9. Report of the Committee on FCT

Confirmation of the Appointment of Abdullahi Oteḥ as Chairman FCT Internal Revenue Service Board
 Sen. Dino Melaye (Kogi West)

-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on FCT on the Confirmation of the Appointment of Abdullahi Oteḥ as Chairman FCT Internal Revenue Service Board.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Petroleum Resources (Upstream)	Thursday 27 th July, 2017	12.00noon	Conference Room 022 Senate New Building
2.	Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND	Thursday 27 th July, 2017	9.00am	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building
3.	ICT and Cyber Crime	Thursday 27 th July, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 221 Senate New Building
4.	Primary Healthcare and Communicable Diseases	Thursday 27 th July, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 324 Senate New Building
5.	Ad-hoc Committee on Accommodation, Logistics, Feeding, etc onshore and offshore of the Nigerian Pilgrims to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Thursday 27 th July, 2017	12.00noon	Committee Room 224 Senate New Building