



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, ~~November~~ 2017

1. The House met at 11.46 a.m. Mr Speaker read the Prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the *Votes and Proceedings* of Tuesday 31 October, 2017.
The Votes and Proceedings was adopted by unanimous consent.
3. **Announcements**
 - (a) **Visitors in the Gallery:**
Mr Speaker recognised the presence of the following visitors in the Gallery:
 - (i) Members of Students Representative Assembly, *Usmanu Danfodiyo University*, Sokoto, Sokoto State; and
 - (ii) Staff and Students of *St Michael's Anglican Diocesan College*, Bida Road, Kaduna, Kaduna State.
 - (b) **Ad-hoc Committee to Investigate the Disappearance, Reappearance and Reinstatement of the former Chairman of the Presidential Task Force on Pensions, Abdurashheed Mair**
Mr Speaker announced the inclusion of Hon. Mark Terseer Gbillah as a member of the above Committee, constituted on Thursday, 26 October, 2017.
4. **Petitions**
 - (i) A petition from Dan Odoh and six others, on behalf of Otukpa community, Ogbadibo Local Government Area, Benue State, on the relocation of Nigerian Postal Services Mail Exchange Office at Otukpa, was presented and laid by Hon. Hassan Saleh (*Ado/Ogbadibo/Okpokwu Federal Constituency*);
 - (ii) Petitions from the following persons were presented and laid by Hon. Gogo Bright Tamuno (*Okrika/Ogu/Bolo Federal Constituency*):
 - (a) T. A. Dick (Solicitor), on behalf of Sobomabo Jackrick, on the award of pipeline surveillance contract to Fara Dagogo by AITEO Pipeline Company Limited;

- (b) T. A. Dick (Solicitor), on behalf of Bakana community, Degema Local Government Area, Rivers State, on the award of pipeline surveillance contract to Fara Dagogo by AITEO Pipeline Company Limited;
- (c) Crownfield Solicitors, on behalf of Kenneth Dan, on the award of pipeline surveillance contract to Canifiyeibi Nigeria Limited by AITEO Pipeline Company Limited; and
- (d) Oghenovo O. Otemu Chambers (Legal Practitioners), on behalf of Dighabat Global Ventures Limited, on the award of Nembe- Cawthorne Channel Trunkline Pipeline Surveillance (NCTL) contract to Fara Dagogo by AITEO Pipeline Company Limited.

Petitions referred to the Committee on Public Petitions.

5. Matters of Urgent Public Importance (Standing Order Eight, Rule 4)

- (i) ***Need to Address the Declining Immunization Coverage in Nigeria:***
Hon. Muhammad Usman (*Makarfi/Kudan Federal Constituency*), introduced the matter and prayed the House to consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance — ***Agreed to.***

Matter to stand over till the next legislative day.

- (ii) ***Need to Investigate the Alleged Unpaid Allowances of Nigerian Diplomats in Cuba:***
Hon. Muhammadu Bala Faruk (*Katchia/Gbako/Bida Federal Constituency*), introduced the matter and prayed the House to consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance — ***Agreed to.***

Matter to stand over till the next legislative day.

6. Presentation of Reports

- (i) ***Ad-hoc Committee on the Breach of Privilege of the House and Incitement of the Nigerian Public:***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the *Ad-hoc* Committee on the Breach of Privilege of the House and Incitement of the Nigerian Public against the House of Representatives and the National Assembly (**HR. 26/2017**)" (*Hon. Aliyu Sani Madaki — Dala Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

- (ii) ***Committee on Federal Road Safety Commission:***
That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Federal Road Safety Commission on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Road Safety Commission Act, Cap. F19, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria; 2004 to Prescribe certain Traffic Offences and their Penalties; and for Related Matters (HB. 111).

Order read; deferred by leave of the House.

- (iii) ***Committee on Works:***
Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Works on the Completion of Nguru-Gashua and Gashua Adayamari Federal Road (**HR. 242/2017**)" (*Hon. Toby Okechukwu — Aninri/Agwu/Oji-River Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(iv) Committee on Works:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Works on the Urgent Need to Complete the Reconstruction of Maiduguri-Bama-Banki Road (HR. 142/2016)" (Hon. Toby Okechukwu — Aninri/Agwu/Oji-River Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(v) Committee on Works:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Works on the Urgent Need for the Construction of a Bridge across River Benue at Ibi in Taraba State (HR. 31/2016)" (Hon. Toby Okechukwu — Aninri/Agwu/Oji-River Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(vi) Committee on Works:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Works on the Need to Rehabilitate the dilapidated Abuja-Kaduna Express Road and dualisation of the Western Bye-pass Express Road to Kaduna Airport Junction (HR. 200/2106)" (Hon. Toby Okechukwu — Aninri/Agwu/Oji-River Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(vii) Committee on Works:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Works on the Urgent Need to Rehabilitate the Anyigba-Ankpa-Otukpa Road (HR. 86/2016)" (Hon. Toby Okechukwu — Aninri/Agwu/Oji-River Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

7. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the National Research and Innovation Council, National Research and Innovation Foundation, to among other things, set National Priorities on Research, Innovation and Development, Promote the Gains of the Application of the Outputs of Research and Innovation, set Directions to Coordinate Innovation Activities; and for Related Matters (HB.1139) — Second Reading

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the National Research and Innovation Council, National Research and Innovation Foundation, to among other things, set National Priorities on Research, Innovation and Development, Promote the Gains of the Application of the Outputs of Research and Innovation, set Directions to Coordinate Innovation Activities; and for Related Matters (HB.1139) be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Mohammed Tahir Monguno — Monguno/Marte/Nganzai Federal Constituency).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee of the Whole.

8. **A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Foreign Exchange (Monitoring and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, Cap. P34, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Re-enact the Foreign Exchange Act, 2017 to Establish a Foreign Exchange Market and to Provide for the Regulation, Monitoring and Supervision of the Transactions Conducted in the Market; and for Related Matters (HB. 1066) — Second Reading**

Motion made and Question proposed, “That a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Foreign Exchange (Monitoring and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, Cap. P34, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Re-enact the Foreign Exchange Act, 2017 to Establish a Foreign Exchange Market and to Provide for the Regulation, Monitoring and Supervision of the Transactions Conducted in the Market; and for Related Matters (HB. 1066) be now read a Second Time” (*Hon. Jones Chukwudi Onyereri — Nkwere/Isu/Nwangele/Njaba Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

9. **A Bill for an Act to Amend the Engineers (Registration, etc.) Act, Cap. E11, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Introduce New Register for Engineering Firms, include Engineering Personnel, Broaden the Power of the Council and its Registrar and the Recognition of Other Professional Bodies outside the Nigerian Society of Engineers to Nominate Representatives to the Council, among Others; and for Related Matters 2017 (HB. 1092) — Second Reading**

Motion made and Question proposed, “That a Bill for an Act to Amend the Engineers (Registration, etc.) Act, Cap. E11, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Introduce New Register for Engineering Firms, include Engineering Personnel, Broaden the Power of the Council and its Registrar and the Recognition of Other Professional Bodies outside the Nigerian Society of Engineers to Nominate Representatives to the Council, among Others; and for Related Matters 2017 (HB. 1092) be now read a Second Time” (*Hon. Toby Okechukwu — Aninri/Agwu/Oji-River Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee on Works.

10. **A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Agricultural Land Development Authority Act, Cap. N4, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to increase its Membership and Functions for Strategic Operations and Interests and to Vest in the Authority Powers to Establish Farm Settlements across the Country for the Purposes of Attaining Food Sufficiency and to Establish the National Farm Settlement and Youth Empowerment Agency to create a Mechanized System of Farming that will be driven by Trained Youths as a means of Creating Job Opportunities, Wealth, Commercial, Sustainable Agricultural System and to Establish Constituency Farm Schemes in all Federal Constituencies in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 458, HB. 771 and HB. 880) — Second Reading**

Motion made and Question proposed, “That a Bill for an Act to Amend the National Agricultural Land Development Authority Act, Cap. N4, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to increase its

(ii) *Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways:*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways on the 2017 Budget Proposals of the Nigerian Shippers' Council (NSC), the total sum of ₦11,410,866,281.66 (Eleven Billion, Four Hundred and Ten Million, Eight Hundred and Sixty-Six Thousand, Two hundred and Eight-One Naira, Sixty-Six Kobo) only, out of which the sum of ₦7,955,164,070.81 (Seven Billion, Nine hundred and Fifty-Five Million, One Hundred and Sixty-Four Thousand, Seventy Naira, Eighty-One Kobo) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital Costs while the sum of ₦3,441,483,160.00 (Three Billion, Four Hundred and Forty-One Million, Four Hundred and Eighty-Three Thousand, One Hundred and Sixty Naira) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital Costs and a surplus of ₦3,817,841,144.74 (Three Billion, Eight Hundred and Seventeen Million, Eight Hundred and Forty-One Thousand, One Hundred and Forty-Four Naira, Seventy-Four Kobo) only and approve the recommendations therein" (*Hon. Patrick Asadu — Nsukka/Igboeze South Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Supply to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

(*Mr Speaker in the Chair*)

2017 BUDGET PROPOSALS OF THE NIGERIAN SHIPPERS' COUNCIL (NSC), THE TOTAL SUM OF ₦11,410,866,281.66 (ELEVEN BILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND TEN MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHT-ONE NAIRA, SIXTY-SIX KOBO) ONLY, OUT OF WHICH THE SUM OF ₦7,955,164,070.81 (SEVEN BILLION, NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE MILLION, ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND, SEVENTY NAIRA, EIGHTY-ONE KOBO) ONLY, IS FOR RECURRENT NON-CAPITAL COSTS WHILE THE SUM OF ₦3,441,483,160.00 (THREE BILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND FORTY-ONE MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY NAIRA) ONLY, IS FOR RECURRENT NON-CAPITAL COSTS AND A SURPLUS OF ₦3,817,841,144.74 (THREE BILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND FORTY-ONE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOUR NAIRA, SEVENTY-FOUR KOBO) ONLY

NIGERIAN SHIPPERS' COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF BUDGET PROPOSAL 2017

	(₦)
Expenditures	
Revenue Estimate	15,214,488,375.55
Surplus	3,817,814,144.74
Capital Expenditure	3,441,483,160.00
Overhead Cost	4,176,154,540.88
Personnel Cost	3,779,009,529.93
Total	11,396,647,230.81

Main Question,

That the expenditure of Eleven Billion, Three Hundred and Ninety-Six Million, Six Hundred and Forty-Seven Thousand, Two Hundred and Thirty Naira, Eighty-One Kobo (₦11,396,647,230.81) only, for the purposes set out under the Recurrent and Capital Costs stand part of the Nigerian Shippers Council Capital Revenue Expenditure for 2017 — *Agreed to.*

Chairman to report proceeding.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of Supply considered the Report of the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways on the 2017 Budget Proposals of the Nigerian Shippers' Council (NSC), the total sum of ₦11,410,866,281.66 (Eleven Billion, Four Hundred and Ten Million, Eight Hundred and Sixty-Six Thousand, Two hundred and Eight-One Naira, Sixty-Six Kobo) only, out of which the sum of ₦7,955,164,070.81 (Seven Billion, Nine hundred and Fifty-Five Million, One Hundred and Sixty-Four Thousand, Seventy Naira, Eighty-One Kobo) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital Costs while the sum of ₦3,441,483,160.00 (Three Billion, Four Hundred and Forty-One Million, Four Hundred and Eighty-Three Thousand, One Hundred and Sixty Naira) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital Costs and a surplus of ₦3,817,841,144.74 (Three Billion, Eight Hundred and Seventeen Million, Eight Hundred and Forty-One Thousand, One Hundred and Forty-Four Naira, Seventy-Four Kobo) only and approved the Recommendation of the Report.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Supply — Agreed to.

(iii) Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways on the 2017 Budget Proposals of the National Inland Waterways Authority (NIWA) the total sum of ₦2,550,000,000.00 (Two Billion, Five Hundred and Fifty Million Naira) only, while the sum of ₦1,167,500,000.00 (One Billion, One Hundred and Sixty-Seven Million, Five Hundred Thousand Naira) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital Costs and the sum of ₦1,382,500,000.00 (One Billion, Three Hundred and Eighty-Two Million, Five Hundred Thousand Naira) only, is for Capital Costs" (Hon. Patrick Asadu — Nsukka /Igboeze South Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Supply to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

(Mr Speaker in the Chair)

2017 BUDGET PROPOSALS OF THE NATIONAL INLAND WATERWAYS AUTHORITY (NIWA) THE TOTAL SUM OF ₦2,550,000,000.00 (TWO BILLION, FIVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MILLION NAIRA) ONLY, WHILE THE SUM OF ₦1,167,500,000.00 (ONE BILLION, ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SEVEN MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND NAIRA) ONLY, IS FOR RECURRENT NON-CAPITAL COSTS AND THE SUM OF ₦1,382,500,000.00 (ONE BILLION, THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND NAIRA) ONLY

**NATIONAL INLAND WATERWAYS AUTHORITY (NIWA)
2017 INTERNALLY GENERATED REVENUE
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

	(₦)
1. Projected Revenue	2,550,000,000.00
2. Expenditure	
(i) Recurrent	1,167,500,000.00
(ii) Capital	1,382,500,000.00
Total	2,550,000,000.00

Main Question,

That the expenditure of Two Billion, Five Hundred and Fifty Million Naira (₦2,550,000,000.00) only, for the purposes set out under the Recurrent and Capital Costs stand part of the National Inland Waterways Authority (NIWA) Capital Revenue Expenditure for 2017 — *Agreed to.*

Chairman to report proceeding.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of Supply considered the Report of the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways on the 2017 Budget Proposals of the National Inland Waterways Authority (NIWA) the total sum of ₦2,550,000,000.00 (Two Billion, Five Hundred and Fifty Million Naira) only, while the sum of ₦1,167,500,000.00 (One Billion, One Hundred and Sixty-Seven Million, Five Hundred Thousand Naira) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital Costs and the sum of ₦1,382,500,000.00 (One Billion, Three Hundred and Eighty-Two Million, Five Hundred Thousand Naira) only, is for Capital Costs and approved the Recommendation of the Report.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Supply — Agreed to.

(iv) ***Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways:***

Motion made and Question proposed, “That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways on the 2017 Budget Proposals of the Council for the Regulation of Freight Forwarding in Nigeria (CRFFN) the total sum of ₦2,773,291,764.65 (Two Billion, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Three Million, Two Hundred and Ninety-One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Sixty-Four Naira, Sixty-Five Kobo) only, while the sum of ₦1,856,477,083.00 (One Billion, Eight Hundred and Fifty-Six Million, Four Hundred and Seventy-Seven Thousand, Eighty-Three Naira) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital Costs and the sum of ₦916,814,681.65 (Nine Hundred and Sixteen Million, Eight Hundred and Fourteen Thousand, Six Hundred and Eighty-One Naira, Sixty-Five Kobo) only, is for Capital Costs and a surplus of ₦46,957,578.35 (Forty-Six Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty-Seven Thousand, Five Hundred and Seventy-Eight Naira, Thirty-Five Kobo) only and approve the recommendations therein” (*Hon. Patrick Asadu — Nsukka/Igboeze South Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Supply to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

(Mr Speaker in the Chair)

2017 BUDGET PROPOSALS OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE REGULATION OF FREIGHT FORWARDING IN NIGERIA (CRFFN) THE TOTAL SUM OF ₦2,773,291,764.65 (TWO BILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOUR NAIRA, SIXTY-FIVE KOBO) ONLY, WHILE THE SUM OF ₦1,856,477,083.00 (ONE BILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, EIGHTY-THREE NAIRA) ONLY, IS FOR RECURRENT NON-CAPITAL COSTS AND THE SUM OF ₦916,814,681.65 (NINE HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND FOURTEEN THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE NAIRA, SIXTY-FIVE KOBO) ONLY, IS FOR CAPITAL COSTS AND A SURPLUS OF ₦46,957,578.35 (FORTY-SIX MILLION, NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT NAIRA, THIRTY-FIVE KOBO) ONLY

**COUNCIL FOR THE REGULATION OF FREIGHT
FORWARDING IN NIGERIA (CRFFN) 2017 BUDGET**

SUMMARY

	(₦)
1. Proposed Internally Generated Revenue	2,773,291,764.65
2. Overhead Cost	1,856,477,083.00
3. Capital Cost	963,772,260.00
Total:	₦2,773,291,764.65

Main Question,

That the expenditure of Two Billion, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Three Million, Two Hundred and Ninety-One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Sixty-Four Naira, Sixty-Five Kobo (₦2,773,291,764.65) only, for the purposes set out under the Recurrent and Capital Costs stand part of the Expenditures of the Council for the Regulation of Freight Forwarding in Nigeria (CRFFN) for 2017 — *Agreed to.*

Chairman to report proceeding.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of Supply considered the Report of the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways on the 2017 Budget Proposals of the Council for the Regulation of Freight Forwarding in Nigeria (CRFFN) the total sum of ₦2,773,291,764.65 (Two Billion, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Three Million, Two Hundred and Ninety-One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Sixty-Four Naira, Sixty-Five Kobo) only, while the sum of ₦1,856,477,083.00 (One Billion, Eight Hundred and Fifty-Six Million, Four Hundred and Seventy-Seven Thousand, Eighty-Three Naira) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital Costs and the sum of ₦916,814,681.65 (Nine Hundred and Sixteen Million, Eight Hundred and Fourteen Thousand, Six Hundred and Eighty-One Naira, Sixty-Five Kobo) only, is for Capital Costs and a surplus of ₦46,957,578.35 (Forty-Six Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty-Seven Thousand, Five Hundred and Seventy-Eight Naira, Thirty-Five Kobo) only and approved the Recommendation of the Report.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Supply — Agreed to.

- (v) **A Bill for an Act to Incorporate Annex 12 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, 1944 into Nigerian Law, to Establish the Nigerian Search and Rescue Service; and for Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 319) (Committee of the Whole):**
Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider A Bill for an Act to Incorporate Annex 12 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, 1944 into Nigerian Law, to Establish the Nigerian Search and Rescue Service; and for Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 319) and approve the recommendations therein" (Hon. Mohammed Tahir Monguno — Monguno/Marte/Nganzai Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

Membership and Functions for Strategic Operations and Interests and to Vest in the Authority Powers to Establish Farm Settlements across the Country for the Purposes of Attaining Food Sufficiency and to Establish the National Farm Settlement and Youth Empowerment Agency to create a Mechanized System of Farming that will be driven by Trained Youths as a means of Creating Job Opportunities, Wealth, Commercial, Sustainable Agricultural System and to Establish Constituency Farm Schemes in all Federal Constituencies in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 458, HB. 771 and HB. 880) be now read a Second Time” (*Hon. Evelyn Omavowan Oboro — Okpe/Sapele/Uvwie Federal Constituency and 2 others*).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee on Agricultural Production and Services.

11. **A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology Act, Cap. N116, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (HB. 1129) — Second Reading**
Motion made and Question proposed, “That a Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology Act, Cap. N116, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (HB. 1129) be now read a Second Time” (*Hon. Obinna Chidoka — Idemili North/Idemili South Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee on Land Transport.

12. **Boat Mishap/Flood Disaster in Ogharu Federal Constituency, Anambra State**

Order read; deferred by leave of the House.

13. **Call for Removal of Structures Erected Under High Tension Wires to Prevent Incidences of Electrocution**

Motion made and Question proposed;

The House:

Notes that the Town and Regional Planning Law stipulates that a mandatory distance of 5.5 meters, 15.5 meters and 25 meters must be observed as setback from low tension wires, 11KV wires and 33KV lines, respectively by any person wishing to construct any structure;

Also notes the flagrant violation of the above law by property developers who construct structures under high tension wires and close to electricity transformers regardless of the inherent dangers to the occupants in the practice;

Aware that many people have been electrocuted while properties worth millions of Naira were burnt when high tension wires fell on structures erected under them, where people were living or carrying out commercial activities, in gross violation of the law;

Recalls an incident sometime in April 2016, when no fewer than five persons were electrocuted while many houses were destroyed when high tension wires fell on houses in Kuta, Shirodo local government area of Niger State and also the case of Miss Deborah Faleke, who was electrocuted around Fagbenro Street, Alakuko, Lagos State on May 21, 2016 when an electric wire fell on her;

Concerned by the nonchalant attitude of Distribution Companies (DISCOs) towards victims of electrocution and owners of burnt houses following the falling of high tension wires on houses;

Cognizant of the need to ensure enforcement of the law requiring that safe distances be given between high tension wires, transformers and structures where people live and transact businesses;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Inspector General of Police, the Commandant General of the Nigerian Security and Civil Defense Corps (NSCDC) and other relevant agencies to lend support to the efforts to demolish structures erected under high tension wires and maintain surveillance around the routes of the wires to sustain the tempo after the demolition; and
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Power, Works and Housing to interface with the Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing, the Nigeria Electricity Management Services Agency (NEMSA), the Distribution Companies (DISCOs), and relevant Ministries, Departments and Agencies of State Governments to determine ways to ensure the enforcement of laws prohibiting the erection of structures under high tension wires or very close to electricity transformers (*Hon. Jimoh Abdulraheem Olajide — Lagos Mainland Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

(HR. 138/2017).

Motion referred to the Committees on Power, Works and Housing, pursuant to Order Eight, Rule 9 (5).

14. Call for Monitoring of Science and Technology Projects in the Rural Communities

Motion made and Question proposed;

The House:

Notes that the rural areas, which are inhabited by majority of the population, are vital to the nation's socio-economic development as the rural population engage in economic activities that form the backbone of economic sustenance as they are the base for the agricultural products that are the major sources of capital formation and raw materials for the country's industrialization;

Also notes that development practitioners will agree that given the contributions of the rural sector to the overall development of the nation, the process of developing rural communities into higher levels of living and better quality of life is imperative;

Aware that the Federal Ministry of Science and Technology (FMST) and its agencies have outlined, as part of their mandate, "Technology Transfer and Promotion Initiatives for Utilization" which recognizes that cities and urban centres have been the greater beneficiaries of past development strategies and efforts to the detriment of the rural communities;

Also aware that the FMST and its agencies are now poised to enhance the ability of the rural sector for increased contribution to the overall national growth and development, and to leverage on the benefits of life sustaining technology initiatives that could help remote and rural areas become thriving and better-off;

Further aware that in line with global best practices, the Ministry and its agencies are currently working to promote rapid development and modernization through technology-based projects ranging from bio-resource development centres, clean technologies, integrated waste to wealth systems to renewable energy and solar power projects etc., which are well designed to improve the lives of the rural populace and their environment;

Convinced that all the rural focused projects will drive the local economy where they are located, and the rural communities will fully embrace and own these technologies in addition to other public goods and services;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Rural Development to assess the effectiveness of the implementation of rural centred projects of the Federal Ministry of Science and Technology and its agencies and the impact of such technologies/innovations on the rural communities, and report back in twelve (12) weeks for further legislative action (*Hon. Oladipupo O. Adebute — Ikenne/Sagamu/Remo North Federal Constituency*).

Mr Speaker ordered that the Chairman, Committee on Rules and Business should examine the jurisdiction of Committees on Rural Development, and Science and Technology with respect to the subject matter of the motion and advise the House within a reasonable time.

15. Consideration of Reports

(i) *Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways:*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways on the 2017 Budget Proposals of the Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA), the total sum of ₦270,529,113,135.00 (Two Hundred and Seventy Billion, Five Hundred and Twenty-Nine Million, One Hundred and Thirteen Thousand, One Hundred and Eighty Million, Eighty Hundred and Thirty Thousand, Fifty-Nine Naira) only, out of which ₦96,418,830,059.00 (Ninety-Six Billion, Four Hundred and Eighty Million, Eighty Hundred and Thirty Thousand, Fifty-Nine Naira) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital costs while the sum of ₦174,110,283,076.00 (One Hundred and Seventy-Four Billion, One Hundred and Ten Million, Two Hundred and Eight-Three Thousand and Seventy-Six Naira) only, is for Capital Costs and a Surplus of ₦8,002,893,200.00 (Eight Billion, Two Million, Eight Hundred and Ninety-three Thousand, Two Hundred Naira) only and approve the recommendations therein" (*Hon. Patrick Asadu — Nsukka/Igboeze South Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Supply to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

(Mr Speaker in the Chair)

2017 BUDGET PROPOSALS OF THE NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY (NPA), THE TOTAL SUM OF ₦270,529,113,135.00 (TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY BILLION, FIVE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE MILLION, ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN THOUSAND, ONE AND THIRTY-FIVE NAIRA) ONLY, OUT OF WHICH ₦96,418,830,059.00 (NINETY-SIX BILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND EIGHTEEN MILLION, EIGHTY HUNDRED AND THIRTY THOUSAND, FIFTY-NINE NAIRA) ONLY, IS FOR RECURRENT NON-CAPITAL COSTS WHILE THE SUM OF ₦174,110,283,076.00 (ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR BILLION, ONE HUNDRED AND TEN MILLION, TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHT-THREE THOUSAND AND SEVENTY-SIX NAIRA) ONLY, IS FOR CAPITAL COSTS AND A SURPLUS OF ₦8,002,893,200.00 (EIGHT BILLION, TWO MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-THREE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED NAIRA) ONLY

NIGERIA PORTS AUTHORITY

2017 BUDGET SUMMARY OF REVENUE PROJECTION

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Traffic	
Harbours Dues	90,933,431,286
Admin Revenue	108,228,585,645
Total Internally Generated Revenue	79,417,561,636
	278,579,578,568
Waivers on Petroleum Products Rebates based on Oslo Convention	—
Volume Change deductions on lease fees	(19,004,531,509)
Net Internally Generated Revenue	259,575,047,059
Income from Other Sources	
Dividend on equity participation in Lagos and Bonny Channel Management	350,000,000
Rental Income from NPA London Property	16,500,000
3% Share of Port Development Levy	9,734,458,878
Total Revenue from Other Sources	10,100,958,878
Total Revenue from all Sources	269,676,305,937
(i) Recurrent Non-Capital	96,418,830,059
(ii) Capital Costs	174,110,283,076
(iii) Surplus Revenue	8,002,893,200
Grand Total	270,529,113,135

Main Question,

That the expenditure of Two Hundred and Seventy Billion, Five Hundred and Twenty-Nine Million, One Hundred and Thirteen Thousand, One Hundred and Thirty-Five Naira (₦270,529,113,135) only, for the purposes set out under the Recurrent and Capital Costs for Nigerian Ports Authority stand part of the Budget for 2017 — *Agreed to.*

Chairman to report proceeding.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of Supply considered the Report of the Committee on Ports, Harbours and Waterways on the 2017 Budget Proposals of the Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA), the total sum of ₦270,529,113,135.00 (Two Hundred and Seventy Billion, Five Hundred and Twenty-Nine Million, One Hundred and Thirteen Thousand, One and Thirty-Five Naira) only, out of which ₦96,418,830,059.00 (Ninety-Six Billion, Four Hundred and Eighteen Million, Eighty Hundred and Thirty Thousand, Fifty-Nine Naira) only, is for Recurrent Non-Capital costs while the sum of ₦174,110,283,076.00 (One Hundred and Seventy-Four Billion, One Hundred and Ten Million, Two Hundred and Eight-Three Thousand and Seventy-Six Naira) only, is for Capital Costs and a Surplus of ₦8,002,893,200.00 (Eight Billion, Two Million, Eight Hundred and Ninety-three Thousand, Two Hundred Naira) only and approved the Recommendation of the Report.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Supply — Agreed to.

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO INCORPORATE ANNEX 12 TO THE CONVENTION
ON INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION 1944, INTO NIGERIAN LAW, TO
ESTABLISH THE NIGERIAN SEARCH AND RESCUE SERVICE AND TO
PROVIDE FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH (HB. 319)

Consideration deferred.

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole deferred consideration of the Report on a Bill for an Act to Incorporate Annex 12 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, 1944 into Nigerian Law, to Establish the Nigerian Search and Rescue Service; and for Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 319).

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

- (vi) ***A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the School of Mines and Geological Studies in Akoko-Edo Local Government Area; and for Related Matters (HB. 105)***

Order read; deferred by leave of the House.

- (vii) ***Committee on Aviation:***

Motion made and Question proposed, “That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Aviation on the Two-Day Investigative Hearing on the Petition brought against the Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN) and the Federal Ministry of Transportation by Salamatu B. Umar-Eluma, FNIM on her Wrongful Redeployment from FAAN to the Accident Investigation Bureau (AIB) by the Federal Ministry of Transportation and approve the recommendations therein” (Hon. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha — Isuikwano/Umunneochi Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

Recommendation (i):

“Urge the Federal Ministry of Transportation (Aviation) to restore Salamatu B. Umar-Eluma to her position as Director, Human Resources and Administration, FAAN with immediate effect” (Hon. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha — Isuikwano/Umunneochi Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Recommendation (ii):

“Also urge the Ministry to redress similar injustices perpetrated in the past in order to discourage similar occurrences in future and deter administrative recklessness and victimization” (Hon. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha — Isuikwano/Umunneochi Federal Constituency).

Debate.

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out Recommendation (ii) (Hon. Mohammed Tahir Mungonu — Munguno/Marte/Nganzai Federal Constituency).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Recommendation (iii):

“Further urge the Ministry of Transportation (Aviation) to adopt and adhere strictly to the Scheme of Service in the Public Service Rules, 2008 Edition on issues of personnel management and administration” (Hon. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha — Isuikwano/Umunneochi Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Recommendation (iv):

“Also call on the Ministry of Transportation and Office of the Head of Civil Service of the Federation to forestall future occurrence” (Hon. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha — Isuikwano/Umunneochi Federal Constituency).

Debate.

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out Recommendation (iv) (Hon. Chukwuka Onyema — Ogbaru Federal Constituency).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Chairman to report proceedings.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Aviation on the Two-Day Investigative Hearing on the Petition brought against the Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN) and the Federal Ministry of Transportation by Salamatu B. Umar-Eluma, FNIM on her Wrongful Redeployment from FAAN to the Accident Investigation Bureau (AIB) by the Federal Ministry of Transportation and approved Recommendation (i), rejected Recommendation (ii), approved Recommendation (iii), and rejected Recommendation (iv) of the Report.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

16. Adjournment

That the House do adjourn till Thursday, 2 November, 2017 at 11.00 a.m. (Hon. Mohammed Tahir Mungonu — Munguno/Marte/Nganzai Federal Constituency).

The House adjourned accordingly at 3.16 p.m.

Yakubu Dogara
Speaker

CORRIGENDUM

In the *Votes and Proceedings* of Tuesday, 17 October, 2017, page 628, in the referral immediately after the words “Request referred to” *leave out* all the other words, and *insert* the following:

“Committees of Finance, Appropriations, Aids, Loans and Debt Management, and Legislative Budget”.