

**THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

Tuesday, 22nd March, 2016

The House met at 11.40 am

PRAYERS

(Mr. Speaker in the Chair)

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

The Speaker: Honourable Colleagues, I have examined and approved the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday 17th March, 2016.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Students of Gifted Science Secondary School, Lavu Road, Masaka, Nasarawa State

The Speaker: We have in the Gallery students of Gifted Science Secondary School, Lavu Road, Masaka, Nasarawa State; you are welcome, kindly take your seats.

Students stood up for recognition.

(Applause)

Students of Young Doctors Academy

The Speaker: Also in the Gallery are Students of Young Doctors Academy; you are welcome, kindly take your seats.

Students stood up for recognition

(Applause)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

Report of the House of Representatives Delegation to Kogi State on the Illegal Removal of the Speaker of the Kogi State House of Assembly

The Speaker: Report on the House of Representatives Delegation to Kogi State on the illegal removal of the Speaker of the Kogi State House of Assembly, this is a communication from the Senate.

The Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria sitting on Thursday 17th March, 2016 deliberated on the Report of the House of Representatives delegation to Kogi State on the illegal removal of the Speaker of the Kogi State House of Assembly and concurred as follows:

1. That in view of the fact that the Kogi State House of Assembly cannot perform its legislative function due to intractable crisis and volatile security situation in the state, National Assembly hereby invoke the powers conferred on it by Section 11 (4) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as amended) to take over the legislative function of the State Assembly pending the restoration of normalcy in the Assembly.
2. That the Senate do declare that the impeachment proceedings embarked upon by 5 Members of Kogi State House of Assembly is null and void.
3. That the Senate do condemn the role played by the Nigeria Police in subverting the provisions of the Constitution by providing cover for only five (5) Members out of twenty (20) Members of the Kogi State House of Assembly to commit illegalities.
4. That the Senate do urge the Inspector-General of Police (IGP) to seal the Kogi State House of Assembly complex until the matter is resolved.
5. Kindly bring the notice of the concurrent to the House of Representatives.
6. Find attached the relevant Votes and Proceedings for your information and guidance, please.

Nelson Ayewoh

Clerk, Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

The Speaker: Honourable Members, as you are aware that today is really a sad day for us but because of overriding national interest, we will just take one item and thereafter, we adjourn.

The overriding interest obviously dwells on the 2016 Appropriation Bill that is before us, so we just take that one item then we adjourn sitting thereafter.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Report of the Committee on Appropriation

The Speaker: The first Business of the day is a presentation of Report of the Committee on Appropriation on a Bill for an Act to authorize the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation, the total sum of ₦6,077,680,000,000 (Six Trillion, Seventy-Seven Billion, Six Hundred and Eighty Million Naira) only, of which ₦351,370,000,000 (Three Hundred and Fifty one Billion, Three Hundred and Seventy Million Naira) only, is for Statutory Transfers, ₦1,476,320,000,000 (One Trillion, Four Hundred and Seventy Six Billion, Three Hundred and twenty Million Naira) only, is for Debt Service,

(Interruption)

The 2016 Appropriation Bill Report from the Committee on Appropriation is ready and I now invite Hon. Abdulmumin Jibrin, Chairman Committee on Appropriation to lay the Report.

Hon. Abdulmumin Jibrin (Babeji/Kiru): Mr. Speaker, I hereby move that this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Appropriation on a Bill for an Act to authorize the issue of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation, the total sum of ₦6,077,680,000,000 (Six Trillion, Seventy Seven Billion, Six Hundred and Eighty Million Naira) only, of which ₦351,370,000,000 (Three Hundred and Fifty one Billion, Three Hundred and Seventy Million Naira) only, is for Statutory Transfers, ₦1,475,320,000,000 (One Trillion, Four Hundred and Seventy Six Billion, Three Hundred and twenty Million Naira) only, is for Debt Service, ₦2,648,600,000,000 (Two Trillion, Six Hundred and forty Eight Billion, Six Hundred Million Naira) only, is for Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure , while the sum of ₦1,845,540,000,000 (One Trillion, Eight Hundred and Forty Five Billion, Five Hundred and Forty Million Naira) only, is for inclusive of ₦157,150,000,000 (One Hundred and Fifty Seven Billion, One Hundred and Fifty Million Naira) only, is for Statutory transfers and ₦86,000,000,000 (Eighty Six Billion Naira) only, as Interest on Capitalized Loans, is for Contribution to the Development Fund for Capital Expenditure for the Year Ending on the 31st Day of December, 2016.

Hon. Iriase Pally Isumafe Obokhuiarme (Owan East/West): Mr. Speaker, I second the Motion ably moved by the Chairman, Committee on Appropriation.

Question put and agreed to.

Resolved: That the Motion be adopted.

(Report lay on the Table)

Death of Hon. Musa Baba Onwana – serving Hon. Member

The Speaker: Hon. Colleagues, this is to formerly announce the death of serving Hon. Member; Hon. Musa Baba Onwana which sad event took place on Thursday 17th March, 2016.

Till his death he represented Nasarawa Toto Federal Constituency of Nasarawa State. As the tradition of the House is, we would rise for prayers. I will recognize Hon. (Dr.) Salami to pray for the repose of his soul while Hon. Chike Okafor will pray for the family and the loved ones he left behind, may we please rise.

(Prayers said)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Femi Hakeem Gbajabiamila (Surulere I): Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do adjourn till tomorrow, Wednesday 23rd March, 2016 at 11.00 am

Hon. Jibril Umar Buba (Lokoja/Kogi/KK): Mr. Speaker, I second the Motion that the House do adjourn till tomorrow, Wednesday 23rd March, 2016 at 11.00 am.

Question put and agreed to.

Resolved: That the House do adjourn till tomorrow Wednesday, 23rd March, 2016 at 11.00 a.m.

The House accordingly adjourned at 11.57 am.