



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

Wednesday, 20th December, 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 BILLS

1. Stamp Duties Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 889) - *First Reading*
Senate Leader.
 2. Pharmacy Council of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 364 & 656) - *First Reading*
Senate Leader.
 3. National Youth Service Corps Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (SB. 556) - *First Reading*
Sen. Emmanuel Bwacha (*Taraba South*).
 4. Chartered Institute of Forensic Accountants of Nigeria Bill, 2017 (SB. 581) - *First Reading*
Sen. Dino Melaye (*Kogi West*).
 5. Investment Assurances Bill, 2017 (SB. 587) - *First Reading*
Sen. Stella Oduah (*Anambra North*).
 6. Nigerian Coast Guards (Est, etc) Bill, 2017 (SB. 579) - *First Reading*
Sen. Yele Omogunwa (*Ondo South*)
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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committee on Trade and Investment
Oil & Gas Export Free Zone Act CAP D5 LFN 2011(Amendment) Bill 2017 (SB. 6)
Sen. Sabo Mohammed (*Jigawa South-West*)
-That the Senate do receive the report of the Committee on Trade and Investment on the Oil & Gas Export Free Zone Act CAP D5 LFN 2011(Amendment) Bill 2017 (SB. 6) - *To be Laid*.
2. Report of the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions
Sen. Samuel Anyanwu (*Imo East*)
-That the Senate do receive the reports of the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions in respect of a:
 - a. Petition from Mr. Chidi Nwoha against the Nigeria Police Force (NPF) for Alleged Unlawful Dismissal from the Force;

- b. Petition from Mr. Esenwa Chukwuemeka Leonard against the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) for Alleged Wrongful Termination of His Appointment by the Corporation;
- c. Petition from Onwuka Egwu & Co. on Behalf of Chief Victor Amadi and Three (3) Others against the Lagos International Trade Fair Complex Management Board, and the Executives of the Auto Spare Parts and Machinery Dealers Association (ASPMDA) for the Illegal Sale of Spaces and Erection of Structures Within the ASPMDA Section in the Trade Fair Complex;
- d. Petition from Christopher A. Eichie Esq. on Behalf of Major Ali Abdullahi (rtd) against the Chief of Army Staff and the Minister of Defence for Refusing to Pay Him a Judgement Sum of ₦25.3M Awarded in His Favour;
- e. Petition from Mr. Elomeme Austine and Seventy (70) Other Staff of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) against the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) for Alleged Wrongful Retirement From the Agency;
- f. Petition from Cpl. Obinna Ogbu against the Nigeria Police Force (NPF) for Alleged Wrongful Dismissal from the Force;
- g. Petition from Dr. Adedapo D. Aladesanmi against the Police Service Commission (PSC) for refusing to Issue Him a Letter of Appointment after Completing Police Training - *To be Laid.*

ORDERS OF THE DAY

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION

1. Confirmation of Nomination.

Senate Leader

-That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President C-n-C on the Confirmation of the Nomination of the Chairman and Members of the Code of Conduct Bureau in accordance with Sections 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (As Amended) and Sections 1(2) & (3) of the Code of Conduct Bureau Act.

S/N	Name	Designation	State	Zone
1.	Dr. Muhammed Isah	Chairman	Jigawa	North-West
2.	Murtala Kankia	Member	Katsina	North-West
3.	Emmanuel E. Attah	Member	Cross River	South-South
4.	Danjuma Sado	Member	Edo	South-South
5.	Ubolo I. Okpanachi	Member	Kogi	North-Central
6.	Ken Madaki Alkali	Member	Nasarawa	North-Central
7.	Prof. S. F. Ogundare	Member	Oyo	South-West
8.	Hon. Ganiyu Hamzat	Member	Ogun	South-West
9.	Saad A. Abubakar	Member	Gombe	North-East
10.	Dr. Vincent Nwanli	Member	Ebonyi	South-East

MOTIONS

1. Urgent need to investigate and curtail the on-going monumental economic waste at the Nigerian Customs Service.

Sen. Mohammed Hassan (*Yobe South*)

The Senate:

Notes with great displeasure reports showing that the Nigerian Customs Service currently has in its warehouses loads of seized perishable goods of high economic value. These includes food items, goods obviously seized from commercial traders;

Acknowledges that it is the duty of the customs service to ensure that contraband goods do not make their way into the Nigerian market through illegal importation;

Observes that this objective is to develop the Nigerian market and avoid Nigeria becoming a dumping ground for contraband items. This is to ensure economic efficiency, growth and development;

Further notes that the objective is fully defeated if it leads to hardship, inefficiency, waste and destruction of value. A reason the custom service in the past had adopted the practice of auctioning these items for a more efficient use of the seized goods especially with the high level of economic hardship that our people are facing at the moment;

Observes that this practice denies the offenders the benefit of the economic value of the items and ensures that the countries value in the transaction is not completely destroyed as a result;

Notes that these reports indicate that the Customs warehouses in Kano, Kastina, Sokoto, Maiduguri, Western Marine Lagos, Eastern Marine Port Harcourt and Zone C Federal operations Owerri and Port Harcourt are currently filled with these seized perishable items and rotting away at great cost to the economy, our people and the nation in general;

Notes with dismay that these items which ought to have been kept for only for a short interval are now being kept for so long in the Custom's warehouses, amounting to large economic waste;

Notes that prior to now, these goods when seized are auctioned off by the customs to the general public. However, these auctions are rarely done in recent times and these reports show that the custom warehouses are brimming with spoiled or almost spoiled goods while people are dying of hunger;

Observes that in these desperate times when hunger is prevalent in the country, the public auctions ought to be done more efficiently to help alleviate the hunger situation rather than have these goods waste away in badly stored conditions at these warehouses;

Observes that it is also not in the general interest of our economy to contain these wastes, hence the need for customs to decongest its warehouses and turn these wastes to useful gain for the Nigerian people,

Accordingly resolves to:

To set up an Ad-hoc committee to investigate the veracity of these claims and advise the Senate accordingly.

2. Proposed sale of the National Theatre and the Tafawa Balewa Square Lagos by the Federal Government of Nigeria.

Sponsor: Sen. Fatimat Raji-Rasaki (*Ekiti Central*)

The Senate:

Notes that the media is awashed about the sale of Assets belonging to Federal Government, including the National Theatre and the Tafawa Balewa Square in Lagos to raise more funds to finance the 2018 Budget;

Concerned that Tafawa Balewa Square represents the land mark on which Nigeria got the instrument of Nationhood at a ceremony on the morning 1st of October, 1960 when the Union Jack was lowered down and the Green-white-green National flag was raised and hosted;

Informed that The National Theatre specifically built to host the 2nd Black African Art Festival Named the Festival of Art and Culture (FESTAC) in January/February 1977, where all Black people across the globe gathered to celebrate the uniqueness of the Black race;

Concerned that these institutions and structures occupied a historical landmark, monument and serve as a symbol of our nationhood, desires and attainment;

Aware that these economic and culture values are immeasurable to our cultural pride and symbols of nationhood that can be readily developed as tourist attraction and also for the teaching of history and civic studies;

Informed that the final symbol of transfer of power from colonial rule to independence took place at the Tafawa Balewa Square Lagos. Therefore, instead of disposing this edifice to private use, the Federal Government can look for other alternative source of developing the Tafawa Balewa Square into an attractive profit making tourist centre. The TBS is a threshold of our new life as Nigerians, which should not be disposed;

Recalled that in the discussion towards the 2018 budget, the Senate approved a loan facility for the federal Government to finance the 2018 budget;

Notes the transfer of power from the military to the second Republic was also at the Tafawa Balewa Square when General Obasanjo handed over power to elected President Shehu Shagari on 1st October, 1979;

Notes also that the National Theatre with all its facilities represents a landmark of history of the congregation of all Black People of the world, which today may be difficult to repeat. It is a place of history and a memorial to the Black People of the world;

Informed that nowhere in the world did any nation dispose of the symbols of its nationhood and attainment. The United States of America cherished its attainment of independence as the structures relating to its independence are under the National park service as monuments to cherish and behold. They are all places of tourist attraction;

Worried that several unsuccessful attempts were made in the past to sell off the Tafawa Balewa Square and the National Theatre under some disguise. To permanently block any other such attempt now and the future, the Tafawa Balewa Square and the National Theatre should be declared National Monuments - Including the state House (Presidential Lodge) Marina Lagos;

Understands that in other nations, the houses or residence of past leaders especially the first set of Rulers are usually declared national monuments. The Lugard House in Lokoja is a National monument; while the Residence of our first prime minister at Onikan is yet to be declared a national monument;

Aware that the house of the colonial Governor of Eastern Nigeria in Calabar is a national monument. If we had continued in that line in which we recognized the importance and history of our colonial masters, why not our own Independence? It is for these reasons therefore that I personally move that the plan by the Federal Government to sell these structures should not be allowed to continue,

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. Call on the Federal Government as a matter urgency to stop the planned sale of the TBS and the National Theatre;
- ii. Declare the TBS, National Theatre, the President's house at Marina, the Prime Minister's Lodge Onikan, and the National Assembly Complex, Lagos as National Monuments; and
- iii. Direct the Federal Ministry of Information and Culture to immediately develop these areas into a viable Tourist Attraction for the Country.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to establish the Federal Institute of Industrial Research for the Development of Micro Small, Medium and Large Industries aimed at rapid Industrialization and Socio-economic Development of Nigeria and for other related matters thereto, 2017 (SB. 585) - *Second Reading*
Senate Leader.

2. A Bill for an Act to amend the Nursing and Midwifery Act CAP N143 LFN 2004 to restructure the composition of the Council, review penalty provisions, the composition of the Tribunal and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 451) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Musa Kwankwaso (*Kano Central*).
3. A Bill for an Act to promote the Protection of Personal Information Processed by Public and Private Bodies; to Introduce Information Protection Principles so as to establish Minimum Requirements for the Processing of Personal Information and other related matters, 2017 (SB. 310) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Stella Oduah (*Anambra North*).
4. A Bill for an act to provide for the establishment of the Federal College of Education (Technical) Arochukwu and for other matters connected therewith, 2017 (SB. 519) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Mao A. Oluabunwa (*Abia North*).
5. A Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of Federal Task Force on Revenue Defaulters Piracy and National Heritage Protection and other related matters, 2017 (SB. 449) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Samuel N. Anyanwu (*Imo East*).
6. A Bill for an Act to amend the National Hospital for Women and Children, Abuja to effect change of the name to National Hospital, Abuja and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 282) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Olanrewaju Tejuoso (*Ogun Central*).
7. A Bill for an Act to establish the Correction, Reformation and Re-integration Centre to provide support services for Prisons in the area of reformation, re-integration and youthful offender programming and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 308) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Gershom H. Bassey (*Cross River South*).
8. A Bill for an act to provide Free Integrated Maternal, Newborn and Child Health Care Programme for Women and Children in all Government controlled medical facilities and for related matters, 2017 (SB. 277) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Umaru I. Kurfi (*Katsina Central*).

BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

1. Vigilante Group of Nigeria (Est, etc) Bill, 2017 (HB. 718) - *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.
2. Subsidiary Legislation (Legislative Scrutiny) Bill, 2017 (HB. 13) - *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.
3. Courts and Tribunals Fines and Financial Penalties Bill, 2017 (HB. 642) - *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.
4. Radiographers (Registration, etc) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (HB. 676) - *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.
5. Medical Residency Training Bill, 2017 (HB. 982) - *Concurrence*
Senate Leader.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committee on Capital Market
Demutualization Bill, 2017 (SB. 531)
Sen. Mustapha Bukar (*Katsina North*)
-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Capital Market on the Demutualization Bill, 2017 (SB. 531).

2. Report of the Committee on Capital Market

The need to determine the status of Unclaimed ₦90b Dividends in Securities for Nigerian Investors

Sen. Mustapha Bukar (Katsina North)

-That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Capital Market on the need to determine the status of Unclaimed ₦90b Dividends in Securities for Nigerian Investors.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Establishment and Public Service	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017 (Budget Defence)	12.00noon	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building
2.	Local Content	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017	2.00am	Committee Room 224 Senate New Building
3.	Ad-hoc Committee on Investigation of Episodes of Tuesday, 21 st November, 2017 Between EFCC & DSS	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017	3.00pm	Committee Room 313 Senate New Building
4.	Ecology & Climate Change	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017 (Budget Defence)	2.00pm	Committee Room 324 Senate New Building
5.	Ad-hoc Committee on Investigation of Local content Elements on Egina Oil Field	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017 (Inauguration)	1.00pm	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building
6.	Anti-Corruption and Financial Crimes	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017 (Budget Defence)	1.00pm	Committee Room 305 Senate New Building
7.	Navy	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 323 Senate New Building
8.	Niger Delta	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017 (Budget Defence)	2.00pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building
9.	Appropriations	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017	3.00pm	Committee Room 224 Senate New Building
10.	Joint Committee on Petroleum Resources (Upstream) & Finance	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017	2.00pm	Committee Room 301 Senate New Building
11.	Gas	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017 (Budget Defence)	12:00noon	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building
12.	Police Affairs	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017 (Public Hearing)	1.00pm	Conference Room 022 Senate New Building
13.	Banking, Insurance and other Financial Institutions	Wednesday, 20 th December, 2017 (Interactive Hearing)	1.00pm	Committee Room 438 Senate New Building
14.	Agriculture and Rural Development	Wed. 20 th – Thu. 21 st December, 2017 (Budget Defence)	10:00am	Committee Room 211 Senate New Building

15.	Information and National Orientation	Wed. 20 th – Thu. 21 st December, 2017 (Budget Defence)	1.00pm	Committee Room 221 Senate New Building
16.	Local Content	Thursday, 21 st December, 2017 (Budget Defence)	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building
17.	Ecology & Climate Change	Thursday, 21 st December, 2017 (Interactive Session)	2.00pm	Committee Room 305 Senate New Building
18.	Science and Technology	Thursday, 21 st December, 2017 (Budget Defence)	10:00am	Committee Room 224 Senate New Building
19.	States and Local Government Administration	Thursday, 21 st December, 2017	12:00noon	Committee Room 313 Senate New Building