



THE SENATE

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 30th January, 2018

1. The Senate met at 11:10 a.m. The Senate President read Prayers.

2. **Closed Session:**

Closed Session — 11:12 a.m.

Open Session — 11:58 a.m.

The Senate President reported that the Senate in a Closed Session deliberated on issues bordering on the workings of the Senate in particular and the National Assembly in general.

3. **Votes and Proceedings:**

The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 25th January, 2018.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

4. **Announcements:**

(a) **Conference Committee:**

The Senate President named the following Senators as Conferees on Federal University of Wukari (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018:

(i)	Senator Jibrin I. Barau	—	Chairman
(ii)	Senator Emmanuel Bwacha	—	Member
(iii)	Senator Oluremi S. Tinubu	—	Member
(iv)	Senator Clifford A. Ordia	—	Member
(v)	Senator Mohammed S. Lafiagi	—	Member
(vi)	Senator Samuel O. Egwu	—	Member

(b) **Acknowledgment:**

The Senate President acknowledged the presence of Staff and Students of Dar'el-Hikmah International Academy, Dutse Alhaji, Abuja who were at the gallery to observe Senate Proceedings.

5. **Petition:**

Rising on Rule 41, Senator Andrew I. Uchendu (*Rivers-East*) drew the attention of the Senate to a petition from his constituents, Rumuekpne Clan, Emohua Local Government Area, Rivers State, against International Oil Companies, over marginalisation on oil exploration. He urged the Senate to look into the matter.

Petition laid and accordingly referred to the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions [Rule 41(3)] to report within two(2) weeks.

6. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Chukwuka G. Utazi (*Enugu North*) drew the attention of the Senate to the activities of the Niger Delta Power Holding Company (NDPHC). He stated that the Executive Director has been in conflicts with other staff of the company which is affecting their operations. He urged the Senate Committee on Power, Steel Development and Metallurgy to investigate the matter.

By the leave of the Senate, Committee on Power, Steel Development and Metallurgy is mandated to investigate the matter.

7. Presentation of Bills:

- (i) Aged Persons Welfare Agency (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 606) — *Read the First Time.*
- (ii) Sheriffs and Civil Process Act CAP S56 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 599) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iii) Federal Polytechnic Aba, Abia State (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 602) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iv) Federal Polytechnic Item (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 607) — *Read the First Time.*

8. Committee on Establishment and Public Service:

Report on the South East Development Commission (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 303):
Motion made: That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service on the South East Development Commission (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (*Senator Emmanuel I. Paulker — Bayelsa Central*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

9. Committee on Establishment and Public Service:

Report on the Chartered Institute of Directors of Nigeria (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 424):
Motion made: That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service on the South East Development Commission (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (*Senator Emmanuel I. Paulker — Bayelsa Central*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

10. Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters:

Report on the Small Claims Court (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 44):
Motion made: That the Senate do receive the report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters on the Small Claims Court (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (*Senator David Umaru — Niger East*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

11. Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters:

Report on the Confirmation of Nomination of Hon. Kadi Ibrahim Rufai Imam:
Motion made: That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters on the confirmation of nomination of Hon. Kadi Ibrahim Rufai Imam for appointment as the Grand Kadi, Sharia Court of Appeal, FCT, Abuja (*Senator David Umaru — Niger East*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

12. **Joint Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters; and Foreign Affairs:**
Report on the Urgent need to regularize the Agreement between the Federal Republic of Nigeria and United Kingdom:

Motion made: That the Senate do receive the Report of the Joint Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters; and Foreign Affairs on the Motion for the urgent need to regularize the agreement between the Federal Republic of Nigeria and the Government of United Kingdom on the transfer of Sentenced Persons (*Senator David Umaru — Niger East*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid.

13. **Motions (A):**

(a) *Withholding of Assent:*

Motion made: That the Senate recalls that the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation had signified the withholding of his assent on the Federal University of Wukari (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2017 pursuant to section 58(4) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as amended);

notes that the rational for withholding assent are regarding certain words and phrases utilized in the Bill that are inconsistent with similar extant laws;

relying on order 88(b) of the Senate Rule, the Senate;

Accordingly resolves to:

refer the Bill to the Conference Committee to look into the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation observations and report in one week (*Senate Leader*).

Debate:

Proposed Resolution:

Question: That the Senate do refer the Bill to the Conference Committee to look into the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation observations and report in one week — *Agreed to.*

Resolved:

That the Senate refer the Bill to the Conference Committee to look into the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation observations and report in one week (S/Res/171/03/18).

- (b) *Urgent need to Investigate, Regularize and Amend Conflicting, Vague and Unjust Remedies which the Central Bank of Nigeria offers to victims of Excess and Arbitrary Bank Charges and Illegal Deductions by Commercial Banks:***

Motion made: That the Senate notes that over the years commercial banks in Nigeria have indulged in sharp practices of overcharging customers/depositors arbitrarily and excessively contrary to tariff stipulations, credit and monetary guidelines issued from time to time by the Central Bank of Nigeria;

aware that the Central Bank of Nigeria on the 20th of February reported that it had recovered about ₦2.6b from depositors funds from Banks as excess charges imposed on their customers in 2015 through a statement issued by the Director, Corporate Communications Department, Muazu Ibrahim. In 2015 alone, the apex bank investigated about 6000 of such cases;

concerned that several of the Central Bank of Nigeria's applicable rules that should remedy such hardship and discourage sharp practices by the commercial banks are conflicting, vague and unjust, thereby causing the commercial banks to frequently short change their customers;

further concerned that requests made by Bank Customers to the Central Bank of Nigeria for clarification of the rules are largely ignored;

worried that if this trend is allowed to continue unabated, Nigerians will be worse off for it, while the commercial banks will continue to declare huge profits at the expense of innocent Nigerians from regular depositors to business firms;

observes that some of the conflicting, vague and unjust rules include, but not limited to:

- APG Accounts Irregularity: Some banks charge at its lending rates but pay no interest to the customer on the APG deposits, while technically the bank is lending the customers part of his funds in the APG account. The CBN enjoins banks to maintain a 7 basis points between their lending and deposit rates. This they do on moral suasion. There ought to be specific and enforceable rates;
- Interest on credit balances in customers account: This monetary and credit policy guideline issued by the Federal Government states that banks must continue to pay interest on credit balances on customer account where negotiated. The banks argue that the customers did not negotiate and so are not entitled to interest. Most customers are not aware of this right. The burden of communicating this right verifiably must rest on the commercial bank. Consequently not coming forward to negotiate should not amount to loss of right. The CBN should set a standard policy of interest (percentage) payment for credit balances;
- Six year status barred: recently, the CBN by their circular FPR/DFIR/GEN/CIR/01/045 dated 16th February, 2015, introduced a time limit of six (6) years for the resolution of complaints effective from the date of the transaction. It stated that the circular did not apply to fraud cases. It is noteworthy that excess, arbitrary and illegal deductions are by their nature and content fraudulent. Unavailability and access to documents was the reason given for the rule, which is no longer tenable in this information technology age;
- Published Rates Differentials: the CBN on the 6th of January 2010 passed a circular BSD/DIR/GEN/CIR/04/001. This circular is to the effect that banks publish all charges and commissions levied by the banks fully disclosing their maximum rates in all publications. When non complying banks are confronted they insist that the publication is merely a guide and not compulsory or enforceable. The CBN connives in the argument that noncompliance with published rates did not amount to contractual offence. It is deception simplicity, banks that exceed published rates ought to refund the excesses to customers;
- Interest payable on due refunds: The inspectorate department of each bank is mandated to monitor and ensure refunds to customers where non payments or underpayments of interests on deposit accounts. The rule is that the refunds should be made with interest at the prevailing banks maximum lending rate, along with an apology letter to the customer within two weeks. Failure to refund excess charges or underpayment of interests attracts a penalty amounting to 100 percent of the amount involved. The banks refuse to pay interest mischievously hoping to be compelled to pay a lower rate when reported to the bankers committee which calculates at Treasury bill rates plus 2% penal. This is grossly unfair; and

- Multiple Accounts and Debt Service Reserve Accounts Irregularity: to obtain loans desperate costumers are forced to open separate account by the Banks where certain percentages of receipts from the customers' income is held for servicing of indebtedness. Consequently substantial credit balances are in DSRA accounts without credit interest, while the current account will have large debit balances on which the bank takes their maximum interest. Certainly an unfair practice.

Accordingly resolves to:

- (i) urge the government to proactively protect customer's rights, eradicate short payments of interest and end the culture of excess and arbitrary bank charges, these steps if taken will, reposition the bank to avert future re-occurrence;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Banking, Insurance and Other Financial Institutions to conduct an investigative hearing and invite the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) governor, his officials and other Stakeholders such as Forensic Auditors, Managing Directors (MDs) of Commercial Banks and Bankers Committee with a view to harmonizing and amending these Laws, Rules and Guidelines that do not adequately protect the customers and give them substantial remedy when overcharged; and
- (iii) mandate the Committee to thoroughly investigate CBN and Commercial banks operational charges with a view to finding an enduring solution and report to the Senate for further legislative action (*Senator Magnus N. Abe — Rivers South -East*).

Debate:

Proposed Resolution (i):

Question: That the Senate do urge the government to proactively protect customer's rights, eradicate short payments of interest and end the culture of excess and arbitrary bank charges, these steps if taken will, reposition the bank to avert future re-occurrence — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (ii):

Question: That the Senate do mandate the Committee on Banking, Insurance and Other Financial Institutions to conduct an investigative hearing and invite the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) governor, his officials and other Stakeholders such as Forensic Auditors, Managing Directors (MDs) of Commercial Banks and Bankers Committee with a view to harmonizing and amending these Laws, Rules and Guidelines that do not adequately protect the customers and give them substantial remedy when overcharged.

Amendment Proposed:

Leave out the words “an investigative hearing” in line 1, and *insert* the words “a Public Hearing” instead thereof (*Senator Dino Melaye — Kogi West*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

Proposed Resolution (iii):

Question: That the Senate do mandate the Committee to thoroughly investigate CBN and Commercial banks operational charges with a view to finding an enduring solution and report to the Senate for further legislative action — *Negatived.*

Resolved:

That the Senate:

- (i) urge the government to proactively protect customer's rights, eradicate short payments of interest and end the culture of excess and arbitrary bank charges, these steps if taken will, reposition the bank to avert future re-occurrence; and

- (ii) mandate the Committee on Banking, Insurance and Other Financial Institutions to conduct a Public Hearing and invite the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) governor, his officials and other Stakeholders such as Forensic Auditors, Managing Directors (MDs) of Commercial Banks and Bankers Committee with a view to harmonizing and amending these Laws, Rules and Guidelines that do not adequately protect the customers and give them substantial remedy when overcharged (S/Res/172/03/18).
- (c) ***Amendment of the Standing Rules of the Senate pursuant to Order 110 of the Senate Standing Rule, 2015:***

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(Deputy Senate President in Chair)

14. Committee on Federal Capital Territory:

Report on the 2017 FCT Appropriation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 598):

Motion made: That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Federal Capital Territory on the 2017 FCT Appropriation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (*Senator Dino Melaye — Kogi West*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Presented and Laid:

Motion made: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of Supply to consider the Report of the Committee on Federal Capital Territory on the 2017 FCT Appropriation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

(IN THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

CONSIDERATION OF A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY APPROPRIATION ACT, 2017.

Clause 1: Amendment of Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Act, 2017:

The Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Act, 2017 hereby amended as set out hereunder.

“The authorizing and operative clause is hereby amended by deleting from the last line thereof the words “31st December, 2017” and substituting therefore the words “31st March, 2018” or until the coming into force of the 2018 Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Act, whichever earlier”.

Committee’s Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 1 be retained (*Senator Dino Melaye — Kogi West*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 1 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 2: Citation:

This Bill may be cited as the Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Act, 2017 (Amendment) Bill, 2018.

Committee’s Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 2 be retained (*Senator Dino Melaye — Kogi West*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 2 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 3: Explanatory Memorandum:

This Bill seeks to amend the Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Act, 2017 in order to extend the implementation year of the Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Act, 2017 from the 31st December, 2017 to 31st March, 2018 or, until the coming into force of the 2018 Appropriation Act, whichever occurs earlier.

Committee's Recommendation:

That the provision in Clause 3 be retained (*Senator Dino Melaye — Kogi West*) — *Agreed to.*

Question that Clause 3 do stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Chairman to report Bill.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of Supply considered the Report of the Committee on Federal Capital Territory on the 2017 FCT Appropriation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 and approved as follows:

Clauses 1 - 3

— As Recommended

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of Supply on the 2017 FCT Appropriation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Motion made: That the Bill be now Read the Third Time (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly Read the Third Time and Passed.

15. Motions (B):

(a) ***Urgent need to investigate the proliferation of Bit-coin, a form of Crypto-currency, to ascertain the worthiness of same as a form of investment in Nigeria:***

Motion made: That the Senate notes with caution the alarming rate at which Bit-coin, a form of digital currency is being proliferated in Nigeria as one of the best form of investment;

notes further that this crypto-currency is openly marketed across the country on the local television and radio stations, mostly to Nigerians not aware of the consequences;

notes further with deep concern, that Nigerians are freely advised, and even persuaded to invest in this crypto-currency, as it promises quick returns; in certain instances, a triple or quadruple of the invested sum as profit within days;

observes with concern, that Google, quoted; one (1) Bit-coin to be the equivalent of ₦5,706,713.20 (Five Million, Seven Hundred and Six Thousand, Seven Hundred and Thirteen Naira, Twenty Kobo) as at 10th December, 2018;

aware that JP Morgan, the world renowned investment bank, in a conference held in New York City, USA, and reported in the US Guardian, noted that “the digital Currency (bit-coin) was only fit for drug dealers and would eventually blow up”, this reaffirmed the advice of the German Central Bank and the Reserve Bank of India against investing in Bit-coin;

aware further that Bit-coin, is not recognized by the Central Bank, does not exist in any tangible form and is also not subject to any international or local monetary regulations, or backed up by any established government institution for that matter;

recalls that the MMM bubble of 2016, left millions of Nigerian families broken, devastated and many business men lost all their capital in the phony scheme;

aware further that the primary objective of the government is to protect the life and property of its citizens, including their investments;

concerned that the Federal Government has neither taken a decisive stand against this investment scheme nor expended resources in orientating Nigerians on the dangers of Bit-coin as a store of value, given how much the operators encourage Nigerians to invest in it; though a quick search on the internet showed a report of the Central Bank advising against it;

also concerned that as Nigeria is recovering from recession, it will be devastating for our citizens to lose their hard earned money on schemes they could easily have avoided had they been properly advised by the government;

worried that the Central Bank of Nigeria, Nigeria Stock Exchange, Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation, National Orientation Agency are not doing enough to educate Nigerians on the investment risks inherent in Bit-coin;

cognizant that by failing, refusing or neglecting to educate the citizenry of the dangers inherent in investing in unverified schemes; especially one orchestrated by foreign syndicates, Nigerians run the risk of losing their life savings and the economy risks losing the much needed forex to foreign criminals;

further worried that the wonder banks like Bit-coin traders, Swiss golden traders etc. have carried on their businesses unchecked in Nigeria, mostly to the detriment of the citizens;

saddened that apart from the skirmishes of warning issued by the regulatory authorities, efforts are not made to shut down the activities of these unverified investment schemes; and

notes the need for concerted efforts of the Federal Government to protect the economic welfare of Nigerian citizens from unverified and highly risky investment schemes.

Accordingly resolves to:

- (i) urge the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), the Nigerian Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC) and the Nigerian Stock Exchange to make an unequivocal statement across all the news platforms in all dialects on the dangers of Bit-coin as a store of value in Nigeria;
- (ii) urge the National Orientation Agency to spread the news against all forms of wonder banks and ponzi schemes operating in Nigeria; and
- (iii) mandate the Senate Committee on Banking, Insurance and Other Financial Institutions to investigate the viability of Bit-coin as a form of investment, come up with recommendation(s) on how to control its uses/trade, and report to the Senate within 2 weeks (*Senator Benjamin C. Uwajumogu — Imo North*).

Debate:

Proposed Resolution (i):

Question: That the Senate do urge the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), the Nigerian Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC) and the Nigerian Stock Exchange to make an unequivocal statement across all the news platforms in all dialects on the dangers of Bit-coin as a store of value in Nigeria — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (ii):

Question: That Senate do urge the National Orientation Agency to spread the news against all forms of wonder banks and ponzi schemes operating in Nigeria — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (iii):

Question: That the Senate do mandate the Senate Committee on Banking, Insurance and Other Financial Institutions to investigate the viability of Bit-coin as a form of investment, come up with recommendation(s) on how to control its uses/trade, and report to the Senate within 2 weeks — *Negated.*

Resolved:

That the Senate:

- (i) urge the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), the Nigerian Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC) and the Nigerian Stock Exchange to make an unequivocal statement across all the news platforms in all dialects on the dangers of Bit-coin as a store of value in Nigeria; and
- (ii) urge the National Orientation Agency to spread the news against all forms of wonder banks and ponzi schemes operating in Nigeria (S/Res/173/03/18).

(b) ***Urgent need to deploy Scanning Machines and adequate Security Personnel in all the Railway Stations across the Federation:***

Motion made: That the Senate notes that the Railway Stations across the country are porous and can be easily attacked by terrorist and other criminals;

further notes that there are no adequate scanning machines and security personnel in our railway stations;

observes that the inability of the Government to depwoy scanning machines and adequate security personnel in our railway station is a security threat hence terrorist and other criminals can easily take advantage of it to cause mayhem in the country;

regrets that railway users in the country are at risk and at the mercy of terrorist and other criminals due to the inability of the Government to deploy scanning machines and adequate security personnel;

acknowledges that the deployment of scanning machine and adequate security personnel in railway stations across the Federation will go a long way in securing not only railway users but also properties,

Accordingly resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Government through the Ministry of Transportation to deploy adequate scanning machines and security personnel at the railway stations across the Federation; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Land Transport to ensure full compliance (*Senator Theodore A. Orji — Abia Central*).

Debate:***Proposed Resolution (i):***

Question: That the Senate do urge the Federal Government through the Ministry of Transportation to deploy adequate scanning machines and security personnel at the railway stations across the Federation — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (ii):

Question: That the Senate do mandate the Committee on Land Transport to ensure full compliance — *Agreed to.*

Resolved:

That the Senate:

- (i) urge the Federal Government through the Ministry of Transportation to deploy adequate scanning machines and security personnel at the railway stations across the Federation; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Land Transport to ensure full compliance (S/Res/174/03/18).

(c) ***The need for sustainable tourism policy in Nigeria:***

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(d) ***The Socio-Economic importance of Rural Roads:***

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(e) ***Failure of Capturing 108 Civil Servants under IPPIS for 2 years:***

Motion made: That the Senate is aware that Section 153(1) (d) provides for the establishment of the Federal Civil Service Commission;

aware also that in the Third Schedule, Part I(D) (ii) (1), (a) the Commission shall have powers to appoint persons to offices in the Federal Civil Service; and (b) to dismiss and exercise disciplinary control over persons holding such offices;

informed that in 2014, about 167 young Nigerians were recruited by the Federal Civil Service Commission and deployed to various Ministries including Federal Ministry of Health;

further informed that in compliance with the laid down procedure, the 167 newly recruited officers were verified and authenticated by the Federal Civil Service Commission for capturing;

alarmed that of the 167 officers about 39 of them were extracted from the list and were captured by Integrated Payroll and Personnel Information System (IPPIS) platform under the cover of President Awardees and physically challenged;

worried that the remaining of the 108 Civil Servants have been working since then without any salaries because they have not been captured;

recalled that their colleagues who were recruited along with them in 2014 and deployed to the Ministries of Education, Agriculture, Interior, Women Affairs, have been captured and have been receiving their salaries; and

unhappy that even with the letter of intervention by the Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Health to the Chairman, Federal Civil Service Commission on the 18th December, 2017, the 108 Civil Servants have still not been captured.

Accordingly resolves to:

mandate the Senate Committee on Establishment and Public Service to investigate why 108 out of the 167 officers recruited and deployed to the Federal Ministry of Health have not been captured by Integrated Payroll and Personnel Information System (IPPIS) and their entitlements paid accordingly and report to the Senate in two weeks (*Senator Andrew I. Uchendu — Rivers East*).

Debate:

Proposed Resolution:

Question: That the Senate do mandate the Senate Committee on Establishment and Public Service to investigate why 108 out of the 167 officers recruited and deployed to the Federal Ministry of Health have not been captured by Integrated Payroll and Personnel Information System (IPPIS) and their entitlements paid accordingly and report to the Senate in two weeks.

Amendment Proposed:

Immediately after the word “Health” in line 2, *insert* the words “and other Ministries, Departments and Agencies” (*Senator Joshua M. Lidani — Gombe South*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agree to.

Resolved:

That the Senate mandate the Senate Committee on Establishment and Public Service to investigate why 108 out of the 167 officers recruited and deployed to the Federal Ministry of Health and other Ministries, Departments and Agencies have not been captured by Integrated Payroll and Personnel Information System (IPPIS) and their entitlements paid accordingly and report to the Senate in two weeks (S/Res/175/03/18).

16. Adjournment:

Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Wednesday, 31st January, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 1:55 p.m.

Abubakar Olubukola Saraki, CON
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.