



THE SENATE

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 10th April, 2018

1. The Senate met at 10:47 a.m. The Senate President read Prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings:**

The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 29th March, 2018.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Messages from Mr. President:**

The Senate President announced that he had received four letters from Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, which he read as follows:

(i) **Letter of Condolence:**



**PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

4th April, 2018

*Distinguished Senator Abubakar Bukola Saraki
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.*

Dear Distinguished Senate President,

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE

I was saddened to receive the news of the deaths of Senators Ali Wakili and Mustapha Bukar.

Their various contributions to the Senate deliberations and the wider democratic process in our country have been of immense values. Please convey my heartfelt condolences to their colleagues in the National Assembly on this grievous loss.

May Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala have mercy on them and also on us when our time comes.

Please accept, Mr. Senate President, the expression of my deepest sympathy.

Yours Sincerely,
(Signed)
Muhammadu Buhari

(ii) Confirmation of Appointment:



PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

27th March, 2018

Distinguished Senator Abubakar Bukola Saraki
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Dear Distinguished Senate President,

**REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF
TWENTY-THREE (23) MEMBERS FOR THE NATIONAL
POPULATION COMMISSION**

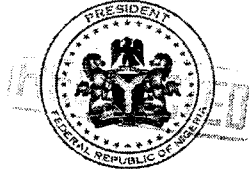
In accordance with the provision of Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended), I write to forward to the Senate for confirmation, the following names of twenty-three (23) nominees representing their respective States at the National Population Commission.

S/N	NAME	STATE OF ORIGIN
1.	Nwanne Johnny Nwabuisi	Abia
2.	Dr. Clifford T. O. Zirra	Adamawa
3.	Mr. Chidi Christopher Ezeoke mni,	Anambra
4.	Barr. Isa Audu Buratai	Borno
5.	Navy Captain Charles Iyam Ogwa (Rtd)	Cross River
6.	Sir Richard Odibo	Delta
7.	Okereke Darlington Onuabuchi	Ebonyi
8.	Mr. A. D. Olusegun Aiyejina	Edo
9.	Ejike Ezech	Enugu
10.	Hon. Abubakar Mohammed Danburam	Gombe
11.	Prof. Uba S. F. Nnabue	Imo
12.	Dr. Abdulmalik Mohammed Durunguwa	Kaduna
13.	Sulaiman Ismaila Lawal	Kano
14.	Prof. Jimoh Habibab Isah	Kogi
15.	Dr. Sa'adu Ayinla Alanamu	Kwara
16.	Nasir Isa Kwarra	Nasarawa
17.	Barr. Aliyu Datti	Niger
18.	Yeye (Mrs.) Seyi Adererinkun Olusanya	Ogun
19.	Prince (Dr.) Oladiran Garvey Iyantan	Ondo
20.	Senator Mudashiru Oyetunde Hussain	Osun
21.	Mrs. Cecilia Arsun Dapoet	Plateau
22.	Dr. Ipalibo Macdonald Harry	Rivers
23.	Sale S. Saany	Taraba

While hoping that this request will receive the usual expeditious consideration of the Senate, please accept, Mr. Senate President, the assurances of my highest regards.

Yours Sincerely,
(Signed)
Muhammadu Buhari

(iii) **Confirmation of Appointment:**



**PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

27th March, 2018

*Distinguished Senator Abubakar Bukola Saraki
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.*

Dear Distinguished Senate President,

**REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF
ONE (1) NATIONAL COMMISSIONER FOR THE INDEPENDENT
NATIONAL ELECTORAL COMMISSION**

In accordance with the provision of Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal, Republic of Nigeria (as amended), I write to forward to the Distinguished Senate, the name of Barr. Festus Okoye, for confirmation as National Commissioner representing South East Geo-Political Zone.

While hoping that this request will receive the usual expeditious consideration of the Senate, please accept, Mr. Senate President, the assurances of my highest regards.

Yours Sincerely,
(Signed)
Muhammadu Buhari

(iv) **Confirmation of Appointment:**



**PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

27th March, 2018

*Distinguished Senator Abubakar Bukola Saraki
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.*

Dear Distinguished Senate President,

**APPOINTMENT OF TWO (2) NEW NON-LEGAL PRACTITIONERS AS
MEMBERS OF THE FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION**

In compliance with Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended), it is my pleasure to forward to the Distinguished Senate for confirmation, the underlisted nominees as Non-Legal Practitioner Members of the Federal Judicial Service Commission. Their CVs are herewith attached.

S/NO.	NAME	STATE	Geo-Political Zone
1.	Sen. Abba Ali	Katsina	North West.
2.	Mohammed Sagir	Niger	North Central

It is my hope that the Distinguished Senate will consider and confirm the nominees in the usual expeditious manner.

Please accept, Mr. Senate President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

*Yours Sincerely,
(Signed)
Muhammadu Buhari*

4. Announcement:

Re: Submission of Report on 2018 Appropriation Bill, 2018:

The Senate President read a letter from Senator Mohammed D. Goje (*Gombe Central*) as follows:



THE SENATE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY COMPLEX
THREE ARMS ZONE,
P. M. B. 141, GARKI, ABUJA-NIGERIA

10th April, 2018

*His Excellency,
The President of the Senate,
Sen. Abubakar Bukola Saraki, CON,
Senate Chamber.*

Your Excellency,

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Appropriations Sub-committees are hereby informed that the submission/defence of budget report has been extended to-

Date: Friday, 13th April, 2018.

Time: 12.00 noon - 6.00pm daily

Venue: Meeting Room 224, Senate Building.

Please note that there will be no further extension of time and the Committee will take appropriate decision on the budget of MDAs of defaulting Sub-committees.

*(Signed)
Sen. Mohammed Danjuma Goje
Chairman*

5. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Ahmad I. Lawan (*Yobe North*) drew the attention of the Senate to the demise of Senator Mustapha Bukar (*Katsina North*); Chairman, Committee on Capital Market and Vice Chairman, Power, Steel Development and Metallurgy who died on Wednesday, 4th April, 2018; and the demise of Hon. Umar Buba Jibrin (*Lokoja/Kogi/Koton Karfe Federal Constituency*), Deputy Majority Leader, House of Representatives who also died on Friday, 30th March, 2018. As a convention, he urged the Senate to observe a minute silence, suspend all other legislative activities and adjourn Plenary in their honour.

Question put and agreed to.

All legislative activities accordingly suspended and a minute silence observed in honour of the deceased.

6. Adjournment:

The Senate do adjourn in honour of late Senator Mustapha Bukar (*Katsina North*) and Hon. Umar Buba Jibrin (*Lokoja/Kogi/Koton Karfe Federal Constituency*) till Wednesday, 11th April, 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

Adjourned accordingly at 11:18 a.m.

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