



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 18 April, 2018

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ADOPTION OF RETURNS FROM STATES ASSEMBLY

Adoption of returns from the State Houses of Assembly on the Constitution Alteration Bills, 2018:

Hon. Sulaimon Lasun Yussuf and 53 others:

The House:

Aware of the provisions of Section 9 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) on the procedure of Constitution alteration;

Also aware that Thirty-three (33) Bills seeking to alter various provisions of the Constitution were presented at the Senate and the House of Representatives on Wednesday 26th July and Thursday 27th July, 2017 respectively;

Recalls that the Senate had passed Twenty-nine (29) Bills with the required 2/3 majority of Members while the House of Representatives had passed Twenty-one (21) Bills with the required 2/3 majority of the Members;

Notes that the two Houses passed Fifteen (15) of the Bills without any difference and have since transmitted same to the State Houses of Assembly for their resolution while 4 (Four) of the Bills were passed with differences and have been committed to a Conference Committee for further legislative action;

Acknowledges that thirty-five State Houses of Assembly – Abia, Adamawa, Akwa-Ibom, Anambra, Bayelsa, Bauchi, Benue, Borno, Cross-River, Delta, Ebonyi, Edo, Ekiti, Enugu, Gombe, Imo, Jigawa, Kaduna, Kano, Katsina, Kebbi, Kogi, Kwara, Nasarawa, Niger, Ogun, Ondo, Osun, Oyo, Plateau, Rivers, Sokoto, Taraba, Yobe and Zamfara, have forwarded their resolutions on the Bills transmitted to them;

Convinced that the following Constitution Alteration Bills have satisfied the provisions of Section 9(2) of the 1999 Constitution for their passage into law:

- (i) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 2 (Authorization of Expenditure in absence of Appropriation); Yes: 28 States, No: 6 States, Abstain: 1 State;
- (ii) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 4 (Financial Autonomy of State legislatures); Yes: 33 States, No: 1 State, Abstain: 1 State;
- (iii) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 8 (The Legislature); Yes: 34 States, No: 1 State;
- (iv) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 9 (Political parties and Electoral Matters); Yes: 32 States, No: 1 State, Abstain: 2 States;
- (v) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 15 (The Nigeria Police Force); Yes: 34 States, No: 1 State;
- (vi) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 16 (Restriction of Tenure of President and Governor); Yes: 32 States, No: 2 State, Abstain: 1 State;
- (vii) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 20 (Submission from the Judiciary); Yes: 29 States, No: 2 State, Abstain: 4 States;
- (viii) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 21 (Determination of Pre-Election Matters); Yes: 33 States, Abstain: 2 State;
- (ix) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 22 (Consequential Amendment on Civil Defence); Yes: 27 States, No: 1 State, Abstain: 7 State;
- (x) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 24 (Procedure for Overriding Presidential Veto in Constitutional Alteration); Yes: 24 States, No: 8 States, Abstain: 3 States;
- (xi) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 27 (Reduction of Age for Election); Yes: 33 States, Abstain: 2 States;
- (xii) Constitution (Fourth Alteration) Bill No 28 (Time Line for the Presentation of Appropriations Bill); Yes: 27 States, No: 6 States, Abstain: 2 States;

Resolves to:

Adopt the returns of the State Houses of Assembly on the Constitution Alteration Bills, 2018, having met the requirements of the provisions of Section 9 of the 1999 Constitution and be

processed in line with the Acts Authentication Act and be transmitted to the President for his

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Committee on Works:

Hon. Toby Okechukwu:

“That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Works on 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 2018 (HB. 1092)(*Referred: 1/11/2018*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigeria Industrial Development Bank (Guarantee) Act, Cap. N111, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for Related Matters (HB. 1155) (*Hon. Dozie Ferdinand Nwankwo*) – *Second Reading*.
2. A Bill for an Act to Establish Critical National Assets and Infrastructure Centre to be saddled with the Responsibility of Identification, Prioritizing, Coordinating and Policy Development for Protection of Infrastructure; and for Related Matters (HB.1181) (*Hon. Aminu Sani Jaji*) – *Second Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the provisions of the Electoral Act, No. 6, 2010 to further Improve the Electoral Process and for Related Matters (HB.1425) (*Hon. Aishatu Jibril Dukku and 7 Others*) – *Second Reading*.
4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the provisions of the Electoral Act, No. 6, 2010 to make Provision for sequence of Elections in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB.1426) (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok and 7 Others*) – *Second Reading*.
5. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Council for the Regulation of Travel Agents in Nigeria; Provide for the Registration of Persons who by way of Business, Negotiate for or otherwise Act in Relation to Selling of Travel Services on behalf of Transport Carriers to facilitate Carriage by Air, Rail or Road of Passengers and for the Control, Regulation and Orderly Development of Passengers Travel Distribution in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 1321) (*Hon. Nkeiruka C. Onyejeocha*) – *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

6. **Need to Reconstruct the Ulakwo-Imerienwe-Ozuzu-Etche Road:**
Hon. Bede Eke:

The House:

Notes that Ulakwo-Imerienwe-Ozuzu-Etche Road is a Federal road connecting Imo State to Rivers and other States;

Also notes that due to the deplorable condition of the road, the indigenes of Imo State and residents in those areas have been cut off from both the State Capital and neighbouring States;

Dismayed that the deplorable condition of the road is one of many reasons for accidents and proliferation of criminal activities in those areas, and has consequently stalled economic activities in the affected communities;

Cognizant of the need for the Federal Government to reconstruct the road to enhance commercial activities as well as security of lives and properties in the eastern and southern parts of the country;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) to commence reconstruction of the Ulakwo-Imerienwe-Ozuzu-Etche Road and ensure that money is provided for in the NDDC 2018 budget estimates;
- (ii) Mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance.

7. **Need to Review the Ban and Restriction on Motorcycle Operators within the Federal Capital City:**
Hon. Fredrick Agbedi:

The House:

Notes that the Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA), on October 1, 2006, introduced the ban on the operation of commercial motorcycles, popularly known as okada, as a means of transportation in the Federal Capital City;

Concerned that in a bid to enforce the ban, the task force has resorted to seizing the motorcycles and, rather than impose a fine, burn the motorcycles including those owned by individuals for their personal use;

Aware that some areas in the satellite towns of the Federal Capital Territory can only be accessed by motorcycles, being the sole means of transportation in those areas;

Also aware that some security personnel and courier service operators use motorcycles in the discharge of their duties;

Also concerned that as noble as the ban policy is, there are no clear means of identifying and/or differentiating a commercial motorcycle from a private one, hence private motorcyclists have suffered unduly from the enforcement of the ban;

Resolves to:

Urge the Minister of the Federal Capital Territory to:

- (i) direct the task force to immediately release all seized motorcycles not used for commercial purposes;
- (ii) work out modalities for differentiating between private and commercial motorcycle operators; and
- (iii) issue a directive to the effect that, rather than burn confiscated motorcycles, a punitive fine should be imposed to serve as a deterrent.

8. Need to Stop the Illegal Mining Activities that Polluted Uke–Karshi River in Karu Local Government Area of Nasarawa State.

Hon. Gaza Jonathan Gbefwi:

The House:

Notes that natural resources and the environment at large especially Rivers are meant for enjoyment of all citizenry within the vicinity;

Also notes that pollution of all kinds is prohibited under the law and this has led to establishment of the National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency (NESREA);

Worried that due to mining activities around Uke-Kashi River, the river that hitherto served as a source of drinking water, irrigation and contained aquatic life has become polluted by the waste from the illegal mining activities;

Further worried that the pollution has led to the death of all aquatic life in the river which if not checked could have an effect on the eco system as well as people in the area who suffer from acute shortage of drinking water and can no longer have access to the river as an alternative source.

Resolves to:

- (i) mandate the Committee on Environment and Habitat to liaise with NESREA, in line with the statutory duties of NESREA, to end the pollution of the Uke-Karshi River;
- (ii) also mandate the Committee on Solid Minerals to liaise with the Ministry of Mines and Steel Development to verify the status of the miners and if found to be mining illegally, they should be apprehended and the necessary punitive action be taken against them, and report back to the house within 8 weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

9. Hon. Yusuf Ayo Tajudeen:

“That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Capital Market and Institutions on Need to Intervene in the Conflict between the Minister of Finance and the Suspended Director-General, Securities and Exchange Commission and approve the recommendations therein”
(Laid: 29/3/2018) (Committee of the Whole)

- (i) that based on the Constitutional Provisions and other extant laws, as well as relevant provisions of the Public Service Rules cited and referred to, the suspension of Mr. Munir Gwarzo, the former Director General of Securities and Exchange Commission by the Hon. Minister of Finance should stand;
- (ii) that based on the petitions by various Stakeholders of Oando, the Committee agreed to conduct investigation of Oando Plc;
- (iii) that based on the Public Service Rules and the Securities and Exchange Commission Staff Manual, the two Staff of Securities and Exchange Commission, Mrs. Anastacia O. Braimoh and Mr. Naif Abdulsalam should be recalled from suspension and report to duty immediately;

- (iv) that the case of Mrs. Anastasia Braimoh and Mr. Naif Abdulsalam should be referred to the Management of the Securities and Exchange Commission for disciplinary action in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission Staff Manual.

10. Petition by Ordinary President (Dr.) Ahmed Isah:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

“That the House do resume consideration of the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Ordinary President (Dr.) Ahmed Isah on behalf of Samuel David and Eight others against the Chairman, Suleja Local Government Council of Niger State on the forceful Demolition of Houses belonging to Original Inhabitants of the Old Army Barracks Suleja, Niger State and approve the recommendation therein” (*Adjourned Consideration: 28/2/2018*);
Urge the Chairman, Suleja Local Government Council of Niger State to:

- (i) restore the displaced people back to their Land
- (ii) *plan* the Area and improve its sanitary conditions; and
- (iii) provide adequate infrastructure for the inhabitants.

11. Petition by Olumuyiwa Ogunlami and Co.:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

‘That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Olumuyiwa Ogunlami and Co. on behalf of Delfino Anthonia Mekanda and three other family Members against the Federal Government and the Vice-Chancellor, University of Lagos on the Refusal of the Federal Government to pay compensation on their Land acquired for Establishment of the University of Lagos, Akoka, Lagos State, also joined in the petition are the Attorney-General of the Federation, the Surveyor-General of the Federation and the Federal Ministry of Education and approve the recommendations therein” (*Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*)(*Adjourned Consideration: 28/2/2018*)(*Laid: 20/2/2018*);

- (i) Urge the University to vacate and desist from encroaching on the Area of Land not acquired vide Government Notice Number 2444 dated 12 December, 1962, published in the Federal Gazette Number 105 Volume 49 of 29 December 1962;
- (ii) that the Federal Ministry of Education, Federal Ministry of Works and the Attorney-General of the Federation should do the needful to determine the compensation payable to Delfino Anthonia Mekanda and three other family Members; and
- (iii) that the sum of N4, 000, 000, 000 (Four Billion Naira) only be provided in the 2018 budget, for the purpose of compensation to Delfino Anthonia Mekanda and three other family Members when determined.

12. Petition by Ahmed Tijani Yusuf Esq.:

Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

“That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Ahmed Tijani Yusuf Esq. against the Federal Road Safety Commission on fraudulent operation of private account and approve the recommendation therein” (*Laid: 21/11/2017*).

That the Federal Road Safety Commission be guided by the extant laws and regulation on procurement and the Internally Generated Revenues.

13. ***Petition by Sunday Williams:***
Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:

“That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Sunday Williams against the Nigeria Police Force on Unjustified retirement from Service and approve the recommendation therein” (*Laid: 21/11/2017*).

That Sunday Williams should go to his office, meet Commissioner of Police, Welfare and submit the necessary documents needed for him to be retired appropriately, and his pensions and gratuity paid to him.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1. Rules and Business	Wednesday, 18 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2. <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on the Investigation of the Non-Remittance of the Nigerian Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) contributions by the Federal, States and Local Government.	Wednesday, 18 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 236 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3. <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee to Investigate the Turn Around Maintenance (TAM) of the Nation’s Four Refineries	Wednesday, 18 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 120 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4. Agricultural Colleges and Institutions	Wednesday, 18 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 019 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5. Public Petitions (<i>Investigative Hearing</i>)	Wednesday, 18 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6. <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on Utilization of 350 Billion Naira Natural Resources Fund as a Financial Window for Development of the Solid Minerals Sector and the need to ascertain Federal Government Investments and Proceeds from Solid Minerals and Steel Development.	Wednesday, 18 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7. <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee to Investigate the Loss of Proceeds from the Sale of PHCN	Wednesday, 18 April, 2018	4.00 p.m.	Committee Room 468 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
8. <i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee to Investigate of Registration and Issuance of Permanent Voters Card to under aged Voters by Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC)	Wednesday, 18 April, 2018	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 231 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
