



THE SENATE

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 24th April, 2018

1. The Senate met at 10:52 a.m. The Senate President read Prayers.

2. **Closed Session:**

Closed Session — 10:55 a.m.

Open Session — 1:32 p.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 and resolved as follows:

- (i) The Senate thanked the Sergeant-At-Arms and Chamber Staff for their gallantry during the invasion of the Senate on Wednesday, 18th April, 2018;
- (ii) The need to tighten security within the precinct of the National Assembly and call for cooperation from Members of the public;
- (iii) The constitution of the Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives to investigate the incident of the Senate Chamber invasion on Wednesday, 18th April, 2018; and
- (iv) Mandate its Committees on National Security and Intelligence; and Police Affairs were mandated to invite the Director-General, Directorate of State Security; and Inspector-General of Police over the invasion.

3. **Votes and Proceedings:**

The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 19th April, 2018.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

4. **Personal Explanation:**

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Kabir G. Marafa (*Zamfara Central*) drew the attention of the Senate to the killings at Maru Local Government Area of Zamfara State on Saturday, 21st April, 2018, where Thirty-Four (34) persons were killed, Sixty-Four (64) women turned widows and One Hundred and Thirteen (113) children orphaned. He stated that between February and April, 2018, over Two Hundred (200) lives were lost. He called for the immediate intervention of Security Agencies to stop the carnage and one minute silence to be observed for the victims.

By leave of the Senate, Security Agencies are to be invited to the Senate in Plenary over their challenges, in these unabated killings across Nigeria.

One minute silence accordingly observed in honour of the deceased.

5. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Mao A. Ohuabunwa (*Abia North*) drew the attention of the Senate to the invasion of Isu Community in Abia North Senatorial District by indigenes of Cross River State, where over fifty (50) persons massacred and several others injured. He urged the Senate to direct the deployment of Security Agencies to the Community; and National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to provide relief materials to the casualties.

By the leave of the Senate; he was requested to present a substantive Motion on the next Legislative Day.

6. Presentation of a Bill:

Federal Polytechnic Ikom, Cross River State (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 672).

Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

7. Committee on Establishment and Public Service:

Report on the Chartered Institute of Forensic and Investigative Auditors in Nigeria (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 584):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

8. Conference Committee:

Report on the Public Procurement Act 2007 (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 232):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

9. Committee on Trade and Investment:

Report on the Companies and Allied Matters Act CAP C20 LFN 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 355):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

10. Motions:

(a) *Need to address the low level of literacy amongst drivers in Nigeria:*

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(b) *Need to check Intrusive- and-Unsolicited Adverts by Telecom Companies and Service Providers:*

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(c) *Urgent call for the Speedy Resuscitation of the Osaraj Ekuku Dams in Kogi Central Senatorial District:*

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(d) *Urgent need to review the proposed Excise Tariff Increment in order to save Local Distillers of Beverages from looming extinction:*

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(e) *Proliferation of Dangerous Firearms in Nigeria:*

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

- (f) *The need to investigate the status of the Bilateral Cooperation Agreement between Nigeria and the Gambia and alleged ill Treatment of Nigerian Judicial Officers seconded to the Gambia under the agreement:*

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

11. Committee on Public Accounts:

Report on the Investigation of all Subsidy Monies spent by the NNPC without recourse to National Assembly:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

12. National Assembly Budget and Research Office Bill, 2018 (SB. 656) - Committee of the Whole:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

13. Corporate Manslaughter Bill, 2018 (SB. 657) - Committee of the Whole:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

14. Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria Bill, 2018 (SB. 658) - Committee of the Whole:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

15. National Post Graduate College of Medical Laboratory Science Bill, 2018 (SB. 659) - Committee of the Whole:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

16. Federal Capital Territory Civil Service Commission Bill, 2018 (SB. 660) - Committee of the Whole:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

17. Nigerian Academy of Sciences Bill, 2018 (SB. 662) - Committee of the Whole:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

18. Animal Health and Husbandry Technologist Registration Board of Nigeria Bill, 2018 (SB. 664) - Committee of the Whole:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

19. National Child Protection Bill, 2018 (SB. 665) - Committee of the Whole:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

20. Franchise Bill, 2018 (SB. 666) - Committee of the Whole:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

21. Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions:

That the Senate do consider the Reports of the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions in respect of:

- (a) Mrs. Maryam Danna Mohammed, against the Niger Delta Power Holding Company (NDPHC) for wrongful termination of her appointment;

- (b) Kalu Samuel and 348 Others, against Michael Okpara Federal University of Agriculture, Umudike, Abia State for unlawful suspension from office;
- (c) Tanzila Petroleum Company Limited, against Petroleum Products Pricing Regulatory Agency (PPPRA) for non-payment of subsidy on Premium Motor Spirit (PMS) imported;
- (d) Mr. Nnochiri Anosike Igbokaike, against the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA), over his wrongful dismissal from Service for alleged misconduct;
- (e) Agboola Olawale Matthew, against the Police Service Commission (PSC) for alleged denial of Police Training and eventual employment;
- (f) Lynda Orie Ukpo, against the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) for alleged unlawful termination of her appointment by the Corps;
- (g) P. C. Onang Inamang, against the Nigeria Police for inappropriate placement in the service;
- (h) Mr. Tochukwu Dunu, against the Nigeria Police for his unlawful arrest and detention; and fraudulent sale of his tanker truck loaded with petroleum product;
- (i) Eagle-Eyes Network Chambers on behalf of G. Cappa Plc., against the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) for refusal of the Corporation to effect payment of the outstanding financial claim for the construction and handing over of Blocks "B" and "C" of NNPC Towers, Abuja;
- (j) Mr. Donald E. Ovie, against the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) for alleged wrongful disengagement from the Corporation;
- (k) PC Ohadaka Ifeanyichukwu, against the Nigeria Police for alleged wrongful dismissal from the service;
- (l) Insp. Festus O. Mrakpor, against the Police Service Commission (PSC) for wrongful dismissal from Service over alleged misconduct;
- (m) Mr. Lawrence Opiti Ogbeni, against the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) for alleged wrongful dismissal from the Corporation;
- (n) Julex Associates, against the National Council for Arts and Culture (NCAC) for oppression, harassment and avoidable inferno at the Arts and Crafts Village, Abuja;
- (o) Livingstone Nseyo, against the Nigerian Railway Corporation for alleged Non-implementation of Ministerial Approval on promotions;
- (p) complaint from Senator Mallam A. Wakili, against Mr. Fred Itua of the Sun Newspaper for allegedly misleading the public, against the Senate in the Sunday Sun Newspaper Publication of 22nd October, 2017; and
- (q) I. J. Obiachu Esq. on behalf of the People of Eruete Village of Amaoforo Autonomous Community Ibeku, Umuahia North Local Government Area, Abia State, against Cocoa Research Institute of Nigeria, Ibadan, Oyo State for alleged non-compensation for land acquired.

Consideration of Reports deferred to another Legislative Day.

22. Adjournment:

Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Wednesday, 25th April, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 1:59 p.m.

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