SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 22nd September, 2011

1. The Senate met at 10:51 a.m. The Senate President read prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate President announced that he had examined the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 21st September, 2011 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Motion:**
Cholera: A Recurring Epidemic:
Motion made: The Senate notes with concern the recurrent annual outbreak of cholera in different parts of the country causing deaths and hospitalization of many on a yearly basis;

Worried that this year, there have been more than 22 reported cases of cholera outbreak in 15 States of the Federation with 2,135 infections and a total casualty in excess of 234 lives;

Further notes that:

(i) In Adamawa State, in June this year there were about 230 reported cases in Mubi South and Maiha Local Government Areas and more than 30 people succumbed to the disease;

(ii) In Abia State in May 2011, the cholera scourge hit Umuahia - Ezeukwu Community in Bende Local Government Area claiming 30 lives;

(iii) In Sokoto State, between 2,000 and 3,000 people were infected in ten out of the 23 Local Government Areas out of which 120 died between August - September;

(iv) In Gombe, 5 people died while 104 were hospitalised in June 2011;

(v) In Benue, 45 cases were reported in August 2011 with 5 deaths;

(vi) In Nasarawa State, 11 deaths were recorded while 189 people were hospitalized in August, 2011;

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(vii) In Oyo State, Ibadan North Local Government Area recorded 20 cases and 4 deaths in August 2011;

(viii) Osun State recorded 28 cases in Ede North and South Local Government Areas with 8 deaths in August 2011;

(ix) Bauchi State had 38 reported cases recorded and 18 deaths Warji Council Area;

(x) Kano State recorded 46 deaths while Yobe State had 33 deaths and cumulative 690 infections as at August 2011;

(xi) Kogi, Plateau, Jigawa and other States recorded varying degrees of infection and casualty.

Further notes that cholera outbreaks perennially occur during the rainy season.

Worried that while cholera is no longer an issue in countries where minimum hygiene standards are met, it remains a threat in Nigeria and authorities are always caught napping each time there is an outbreak;

The Senate accordingly resolves to:
mandate its Committee on Health to investigate the matter and make appropriate recommendations to the Senate on containing the scourge (*Senator Olabunmi A. Adetunbi — Ekiti North*).

Debate:

Proposed Resolution (i):
Question: That the Senate do mandate the its Committee on Health to investigate the matter and make appropriate recommendations to the Senate on containing the scourge — *Agreed to.*

Resolved:
That the Senate do mandate its Committee on Health to investigate the matter and make appropriate recommendations to the Senate on containing the scourge (***S/Res/012/01/11***).

Matter referred to the Committee on Health to report within two weeks.

4. Chartered Institute of Stock Brokers Act. Cap C9 LFN 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill 2011 (SB. 06):
Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to repeal the Chartered Institute of Stock Brokers Act. Cap C9 LFN 2004 and Provide for the Establishment of the Chartered Institute of Securities and Investment to regulate and control the practice of Securities Dealings and Investment Profession and for Related Matters 2011 be read the Second Time (*Senator Ganiyu O. Solomon — Lagos West*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to Committee on Capital Market to report within four weeks.

5. Adjournment:

Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Tuesday, 27th September, 2011 at 10.00 a.m.(*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 12:35 *p.m.*

Dr. David A. B. Mark, GCON, fnim
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.