THE SENATE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 18th October, 2011

1. **Prayers**
2. **Approval of the Votes and Proceedings**
3. **Oaths**
4. **Announcements (if any)**
5. **Petitions**

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. **Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters:**
   Screening of Nominees:
   Sen. Umaru Dahiru *(Sokoto South)*
   "That the Senate do Receive the Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters, on the screening of HON. JUSTICE OLUKAYODE ARIWOOLA, JCA for appointment as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Nigeria".

2. **Report of the Joint Committee on Police Affairs and Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs:**
   Averting the Growing Danger of Night Movement of Commercial Buses on Nigerian Highways:
   Sen. Paulinus N. Igwe *(Ebonyi Central)*
   Sen. Dahiru A. Kuta *(Niger East)*
   "That the Senate do receive the Report of the Joint Committee on Police Affairs and Committee on Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs on the Urgent Need to Avert the Growing Danger of Night Movement of Commercial Buses on the Nigerian Highways".

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. Abuse of Expatriate Quota by Foreign Multinationals:
   Sen. Wilson A. Ake *(Rivers West)*

Sen. Oluremi S. Tinubu	Sen. Mohammed Maccido	Sen. Mohammed Ali Ndume
Sen. Dahiru Kuta	Sen. Mohammed M. Magoro	Sen. Adamu Gumba
Sen. Christopher Nwankwo	Sen. Suleiman A. Adokwe	Sen. Abdul Ningi
Sen. Hosea A. Agboola	Sen. Zainab A. Kure	Sen. Enyinnaya Abaribe
Sen. Sahabi Y'au Alh.	Sen. Clever M. Ikisikpo	Sen. Gyang D. Dantong
Sen. Ita Enang	Sen. Victor Lar	Sen. Gbenga Ashafa
Sen. Boluwaji Kunlere	Sen. Nkechi Nwaogu	Sen. Umaru Dahiru
Sen. Heineken Lokpobiri	Sen. Emmanuel Paulker	Sen. Aloysius A. Etok
Sen. George T. Sekibo		

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THE SENATE:
NOTES that the Immigration Act, Cap 11, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 conferred on the Nigeria Immigration Service and the Nigeria Investment Promotion Council delegated powers to grant expatriate quota to companies seeking to employ expatriates in Nigeria, among other functions;

NOTES also that the same Act mandates such operators to apply and receive approval from the Board of such multinational companies before making any application for expatriate's quota approvals to the Federal Ministry of Internal Affairs or any other agency of government charged with the responsibility;

NOTES further that such approvals are usually for 2-3 years renewable and limited to four (4) expatriates in the first instance;

AWARE that approvals are to be granted as a result of non availability of experts locally in the position to be occupied;

AWARE **also** that the objective is to fill up inadequate supply of manpower, train local manpower, attract foreign investments and transfer of technology;

OBSERVES that in recent times there have been avalanche of petitions, complaints and newspaper publications of improper application of the above stipulations;

ALARMED that the Federal Bureau of Statistics in their recent report put the unemployment ratio at 21.7% translating to 32.5 million Nigerians, where some outfits are alleged to have in their employment over 300 expatriate in positions that could be filled by Nigerians is to say the least, a gross abuse of our laws and disregard of the effort of government to provide employment for her teeming population of unemployed able bodied youths.

Accordingly resolve to:
i. *CONDEMN* in its entirety such abuses;

ii. *DIRECT* the Senate Committee on Employment, Labour & Productivity to investigate through a Public hearing all the allegations and report back in one month.

2. **U. N. Recommended FGN-Shell Fund For Clean-Up of Oil Spills in the Ogoni Land:**
Sen. Yusuf Datti Baba-Ahmed *(Kaduna North)*
Sen. Nenadi E. Usman *(Kaduna South)*
Sen. George T. Sekibo *(Rivers East)*
Sen. Magnus N. Abbe (*Rivers South East)*

THE SENATE,
APPRECIATES a Recommendation of the UN for a US$ 1.0 billion Fund to clean-up oil spills in the Ogoni Land;

EQUALLY welcomes the acceptance of responsibility for Oil Spills by Shell Petroleum;

CONSIDERS the amount of US $ 1.0 Billion as unrepresentative of the true situation in the Ogoni Land, and grossly inadequate for the enormous tasks; and

REGRETS that the proposed fund overlooks the issues of compensation to Communities, and rehabilitation of deprived, destabilized and displaced persons.

Accordingly resolves to:
i. *URGE* the Federal Government of Nigeria to review upwards the proposed fund in the light of true and present realities of environmental degradation, social deprivations and economic dislocation of the region.

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1. **A Bill for an Act for the Abolition of all Forms of Discrimination against Women in Nigeria and for Other Related Matters 2011 (SB. 39)** – *Second Reading*
Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba, OFR, SAN, *(Cross River Central)*

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2. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Prevention, Control, and Management of Sickle Cell Disease and for Other Purposes Connected Therewith 2011 (SB. 59)** - *Second Reading*
Sen. Ifeanyi A. Okowa *(Delta North)*

3. **A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Industrial Development Centres in the Country and Re-enact the Nigeria Industrial Development Authority which shall Provide Designated Areas for Industrial Estates, Parks, Clusters, Enterprises Zone and Incubators in each Zone of the Country; Provide for the Establishment, Development or Maintenance of Industrial Undertaking and Incentives to Industrialists and for Other Related Matters 2011 (SB. 48)** - *Second Reading*
Sen. Matthew Nwagwu *(Imo North)*

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	INEC	Tuesday, 18th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 324 Senate New Building
2.	Banking, Insurance & Other Financial Institutions	Tuesday, 18th October 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 305 Senate New Building
3.	Petroleum Resources (Downstream)	Tuesday, 18th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 120 Senate New Building
4.	Appropriation	Tuesday, 18th October, 2011	1.00 pm	Committee Room 304 Senate New Building
5.	Aviation	Tuesday, 18th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building
6.	Education	Tuesday, 18th October, 2011	2.30 pm	Committee Room 304 Senate New Building
7.	National Security and, Intelligence	Tuesday, 18th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 312 Senate New Building
8.	Establishment and, Public Service	Tuesday, 18th October, 2011	12.00 noon	Committee Room 427 Senate New Building
9.	Power, Steel Dev. and Metallurgy	18th & 19th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 323 Senate New Building
10.	Agriculture and Rural Development	18th - 20th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building
11.	Finance	Wednesday, 19th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 313 Senate New Building
12.	Marine Transport	Wednesday, 19th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Hearing Room 204 Senate New Building
13.	National Planning, Economic Affairs and Poverty Alleviation	Wednesday, 19th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 416 Senate New Building
14.	Niger-Delta	Wednesday, 19th October, 2011	1.30 pm	Committee Room 3.12 Senate New Building
15.	Ad hoc Committee on BPE	Thursday, 20th October, 2011	10.00 am	Committee Room 305 Senate New Building
16.	Solid Minerals	Thursday, 20th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 304 Senate New Building
17.	Immortalization of Senators	Thursday, 20th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 4.20 Senate New Building

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18.	Cooperation and Integration in Africa and NEPAD	Thursday, 20th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 4.26 Senate New Building
19.	Petroleum Resources (Downstream)	Thursday, 20th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 120 Senate New Building
20.	Banking, Insurance & Other Financial Institutions	25th - 27th October, 2011	2.00 pm	Committee Room 221 Senate New Building

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