7TH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION
NO. 105

THE SENATE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
ORDER PAPER

Wednesday 11th January 2012

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 National Identity and National Population Commission:**
Screening of Nominee
Sen. Maina M. Lawal *(Borno North)*
"That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on National Identity and National Population Commission on the screening of DR. AHIWE SAMUEL CHIBUNNA *(Abia State)* for appointment as a Member of the National Population Commission" *(To be laid).*

2. **Report of the Committee on Education:**
Investigation on Post UTME and JAMB Examinations:
Sen. Uche Chukwumerije *(Abia North)*
"That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Education, on the Investigation of the Illegality of Post UTME and the failure of JAMB to Conduct Examinations Acceptable by Universities" *(To be laid).*

3. **Report of the Committee on Education:**
Universities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 (Amendment) Bill 2012 (SB. 94) and the Retirement Age of Staff of Federal Polytechnics and Colleges of Education Bill 2012 *(SB. 74)*
Sen. Uche Chukwumerije *(Abia North)*
"That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Education, on the Universities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 (Amendment) Bill 2012 (SB. 94) and the Retirement Age of Staff of Federal Polytechnics and Colleges of Education Bill 2012 (SB. 74) - *(To be laid).*

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. **Proclamation of State of Emergency in certain Local Government Areas of the Country:**
Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba (SAN, OFR) *Senate Leader*

THE SENATE,
NOTES with serious concern that the country has been experiencing serious crises and disturbances which presently constitute grave threats to peace, order, good governance, security and safety to the nation and her citizenry;

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NOTES also that these crises and disturbance are currently predominant in certain parts of the Federation namely;

	STATE		LGA
1.	**BORNO**	1.	**Maiduguri Metropolitan**
		2.	**Gamboru Ngala**
		3.	**Banki Bama**
		4.	**Biu**
		5.	**Jere**
2.	**NIGER**	1.	**Suleja**
3.	**PLATEAU**	1.	**Jos North**
		2.	**Jos South**
		3.	**Barkin -Ladi**
		4.	**Riyom**
4.	**YOBE**	1.	**Damaturu**
		2.	**Giedam**
		3.	**Potiskum**
		4.	**Buniyadi - Gujba**
		5.	**Gasau - Barde**

OBSERVES that the present crises and disturbances transcend religious, political and ethnic divide with the perpetrators of the crises utilizing terrorist tactics thereby occasioning serious break down of law and order;

OBSERVES also that it is evident that the magnitude of the crises in the affected areas has overwhelmed the response capacities of the concerned state governments and Local Governments Councils who have accordingly not been able to manage, curtail or eradicate the situation leading to the total breakdown of public order and security in the affected areas;

WORRIED that there is a clear and present danger of the crises in the Local Government Areas of these states spreading beyond their boundaries to other areas of the Federation;

NOTES that there is the need to provide adequate and effective Security of the borders of the Local Government Areas and the States concerned by temporary closure of contiguous borders with neighboring countries to prevent such areas from being used as entry and escape routes by perpetrators of terrorists acts within Nigeria;

CONVINCED that extra ordinary measures are required to restore peace. security and order in the affected Local Government Areas within the States of the Federation;

AWARE that the President, Commander-in-Chief has published and transmitted copies of the official Gazette of the Government of the Federation containing the proclamation including the details of the emergency to the President of the Senate, in accordance with Section 305 of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (As Amended);

NOTES that this matter is of serious concern to the Senate and the generality of Nigerians.

Accordingly resolves to:

i. *INVOKE* the powers conferred on it by Section 305 (2) and (6b) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (As Amended) and approve the Proclamation of State of Emergency in the Affected Local Government Areas within the States of the Federation named above.

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2. General Insecurity in the Nation:

Sponsors:

Sen. Ike Ekeweremadu
Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba
Sen. Ayoola Hosea
Sen. Abu Ibrahim
Sen. Ayogu Eze
Sen. Enyinnaya Abaribe
Sen. Gilbert Nnaji
Sen. Chris Ngige
Sen. Heineken Lokpobiri
Sen. Bassey Otu
Sen. Odion Ugbesia
Sen. Magnus Abe
Sen. Helen Esuene
Sen. Gbenga Obadara
Sen. Nenadi Usman
Sen. Gbenga Kaka
Sen. Robert Boroffice
Sen. Olusola Adeyeye
Sen. Mudashiru Husain
Sen. Suleiman Adokwe
Sen. Ayoade Adeseun
Sen. Smart Adeyemi
Sen. Kabiru Gaya
Sen. Joshua Dariye
Sen. Zainab Kure
Sen. Hayatu Gwarzo
Sen. George Akume
Sen. Ahmed Rufa'I Sani
Sen. Chris Anyanwu
Sen. Hope Uzodinma
Sen. Mathew Nwagwu
Sen. Chris Nwankwo
Sen. Emmanuel Paulker
Sen. Clever Ikisikpo
Sen. Ehigie Uzamere
Sen. Benedict Ayade
Sen. Wilson Ake
Sen. Babalola Odunsi
Sen. Basheer Mohammed
Sen. Barnabas Gemade
Sen. Victor Lar
Sen. Pius Ewherido
Sen. Simeon Ajibola
Sen. Abubakar Bagudu
Sen. Atai Aidoko Ali
Sen. Philip Aduda
Sen. Isa Galaudu
Sen. George T. Sekibo
Sen. Sahabi Ya'u Alhaji
Sen. Ahmed Ningi
Sen. Ganiyu Solomon
Sen. Uche Chukwumerije
Sen. Nkechi Nwaogu
Sen. Igwe Nwagu
Sen. Sunny Ogbuoji
Sen. James Manager
Sen. Ita Enang
Sen. Domingo Obende
Sen. Ifeanyi Ogowa
Sen. Aloysius Etok
Sen. Nurudeen Abatemi
Sen. Femi Lanlehin
Sen. Ayo Akinyelure
Sen. Anthony Adeniyi
Sen. Olubunmi Adetunmbi
Sen. Aisha Alhassan
Sen. Gyang Daylop
Sen. Shaaba Lafiagi
Sen. Abdulaziz Usman
Sen. Kabir Marafa
Sen. Dahiru Kuta
Sen. Yusuf Baba-Ahmed
Sen. Ahmed Maccido

THE SENATE,

NOTES with a deep sense of grief the dastardly bombing of St. Theresa's Catholic Church, Madalla, Niger State on Christmas Day, December 25th, 2011;

ALSO notes with sadness the bombing spree at the Mountain of Fire and Miracles Church, Jos as well as several churches and the state security service office in Damaturu on the same date;

OBSERVES with serious concern the recent related episodes of bombing and indiscriminate shootings of worshippers in other parts of the country notably, Gombe, Mubi and Jimeta between Thursday, January 5th and Friday, January 6th, 2011 leading to loss of scores of lives;

ALSO observes that while violent attacks and bombing of any form is callous and condemnable, the new waves of attacks on innocent and unsuspecting worshippers and places of worship, be it a church or a mosque, are bizarre affronts on our collective cultural and religious values, the constitutionally guaranteed right to freedom of worship, and an outright offensive against the Almighty God Himself;

AWARE that the Madalla attack was not only a direct onslaught on a place of worship which should otherwise be held sacred, but a clear and grave assault on Nigerians of South East origin who obviously constitute both the majority of worshippers at the said church and most sadly, the overwhelming majority of both the dead and the wounded as the list of causalities published in national dailies such as the Sun and the Nation newspapers of Friday, December 30th, 2011 show;

AWARE that the singular Christmas Day Bomb attack on St. Theresa's Catholic Church, Madalla and other places of worship are capable of plunging the nation into ethno-religious crises and further aggravate the present security challenges in the nation; and

FURTHER aware that the Christmas Day bombing which, in some cases, literally consumed entire families and left many orphaned or widowed, has brought untold hardship on victims and their relatives.

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Accordingly resolves to:

i. *CONDEMN* the attacks in their entirety;

ii. *OBSERVE* a minute silence in honour of the dead victims;

iii. *COMMEND* President Goodluck Jonathan for declaring State of Emergency in some of the affected parts of the country;

iv. *CALL* on the Federal Government of Nigeria to pay adequate compensation to victims of the Madalla bomb blast and the bereaved, as well as those who suffered the same fate in other places; and

v. *INVITE* heads of Security agencies to update this Senate on their efforts at mitigating the worsening security challenges in the nation.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 11th January, 2012	2.00 pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building
2.	Defence & Army	Wednesday, 11th January, 2012	3.30 pm	Committee Room 324 Senate New Building
3.	Joint Committees on Health, Establishment and Public Service and Employment, Labour and Productivity	Wednesday, 11th January, 2012	2.00 pm	Committee Room 324 Senate New Building
4.	Joint Committee Investigating the Operations of the Fuel Subsidy	Thursday, 12th January, 2012	1.00 pm	Committee Room 120 Senate New Building

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Thursday, 12th January, 2012

1. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Lokoja and to make comprehensive provisions for its due management and administration and other related matters 2012(SB. 82)** – *Second Reading*
Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba, OFR, SAN, *(Cross River Central)*

2. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Ndufu-Alike Ikwo and to make comprehensive provisions for its due management and administration and other related matters 2012(SB. 83)** – *Second Reading*
Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba, OFR, SAN, *(Cross River Central)*

3. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Otuoke and to make comprehensive provisions for its due management and administration and other related matters 2012(SB. 84)** – *Second Reading*
Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba, OFR, SAN, *(Cross River Central)*

4. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Oye-Ekiti and to make comprehensive provisions for its due management and administration and other related matters 2012(SB. 80)** – *Second Reading*
Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba, OFR, SAN, *(Cross River Central)*

5. **Motion: Indiscriminate Parking of Trucks in Some Towns on Federal Highways**
Sen. Mudashiru O. Husain *(Osun West)*

6. **Motion: Use of School System to groom replacement for our Aged Farmers**
Sen. Adegbenga S. Kaka *(Ogun East)*

7. **Motion: Expansion, Provision of Facilities and Standardization of the Four International Airports of Abuja, Kano, Lagos and Port Harcourt.**
Sen. Dr. Ibrahim Gobir, *(Sokoto East)*

8. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Erosion Control and Prevention Commission and vest it with the Responsibility for the Prevention, Control, Management and Redress of Erosion and for other Related Purposes, 2012 (SB. 54)** – *Second Reading*
Sen. Hope Uzodinma *(Imo West)*

10. **A Bill for an Act to make Provision for the Maintenance of Public Safety and Order through Discouraging Membership of Criminal Gang and the Suppression of Criminal Activities and for Other Related Matters, 2012 (SB. 49)** - *Second Reading*
Sen. Ehigie E. Uzamere *(Edo South)*

11. **A Bill for an Act to Alter the Provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to provide for Financial Autonomy for Local Government Councils in Nigeria and for Matters Connected Thereto, 2012 (SB. 77)** - *Second Reading*
Sen. Nurudeen A. Usman *(Kogi Central)*

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