SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 12th January, 2012

1. The Senate met at 10:30 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, 11th January, 2012 and approved same.

By unanimous consent, the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Message from Mr President:**
The Senate President announced that he had received a letter from the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation which he read as follows:
Request for the confirmation of Chairman, Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC):

PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

January 9, 2012

Distinguished Senator David B. Mark, GCON
Senate President,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Your Excellency,

APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CRIMES COMMISSION

The appointment of the Chairman and Members of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) is provided for in Section 2(1)(a) and (b) of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (Establishment) Act, 2004.

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By virtue of Section 2(3) of the EFCC Act which confers upon the President the powers to appoint the Chairman and Members of the Commission, other than Ex-officio Members, subject to confirmation by the Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, I hereby request the Senate to kindly consider and confirm the appointment of Mr. Ibrahim Lamorde as Chairman of the Commission.

His Curriculum Vitae is attached hereto.

While I thank the Distinguished Senate of the Federal Republic for your steadfast cooperation and understanding, please accept, Distinguished Senate President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,
(Signed)
GOODLUCK EBELE JONATHAN

4. **Confirmation of nomination:**
Motion made: That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, for the confirmation of the nomination of Hon. Omolola Abiola Edewor as the Executive Director (Corporate Services) of the Nigerian Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC) (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Request accordingly referred to the Committee on Banking, Insurance and Other Financial Institutions to report within one (1) week.

5. **Committee on Niger Delta:**
Report on the screening of nominee:
Motion made: That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on Niger Delta, on the screening of Mr. Henry Osamuede Okhuarobo (*Edo State*) for appointment as a Member of the Niger Delta Development Commission (*Senator James Manager — Delta South*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report presented.

Motion made: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report *(Senate Leader)*.

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Consideration of the Report of the Committee on Niger Delta, on the screening of Mr. Henry Osamuede Okhuarobo *(Edo State)* for appointment as a Member of the Niger Delta Development Commission.

Nominee recommended for confirmation:
Mr. Henry Osamuede Okhuarobo (*Edo State*) Member — *Agreed to.*

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Niger Delta, on the screening of Mr. Henry Osamuede Okhuarobo (*Edo State*) for appointment as a Member of the Niger Delta Development Commission and approved the nomination.

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Confirmation of nomination:

Question:
"Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Mr. Henry Osamuede Okhuarobo (*Edo State*), as a Member of the Niger Delta Development Commission?" — *Agreed to.*

Nomination of Mr. Henry Osamuede Okhuarobo (Edo State), as a Member of the Niger Delta Development Commission accordingly confirmed.

6. **Committee on Works:**
Report on the screening of nominees:
Motion made: That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on Works, on the screening of the following nominees for appointment as Chairman and Members of the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA):

S/N	NAME	DESIGNATION
(*i*)	Engr. Ezekiel Olajide Adeniyi	Chairman
(*ii*)	Alh. Ahmed Mohammed Gusau	Member
(*iii*)	Air Cmdr. Indongesit Nkanga (Rtd)	Member
(*iv*)	Amb. Jerry Ugokwe	Member
(*v*)	Barr. Ubah Maigari	Member
(*vi*)	Mr. Olatunji Shelle	Member
(*vii*)	Mr. Samuel Gwomna	Member

(*Senator Ayogu Eze — Enugu North*).

Question put and agreed to.

Report presented.

Motion made: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report *(Senate Leader).*

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Consideration of the Report of the Committee on Works, on the screening of nominees for appointment as Chairman and Members of the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA).

Debate:

Further consideration deferred to another Legislative Day.

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The Senate President reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Works, on the screening of nominees for appointment as Chairman and Members of the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) and deferred consideration of the Report to another Legislative Day.

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

7. **Committee on Education:**
Report on the Universities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 (Amendment) Bill 2012 (SB. 94):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

8. **Committee on Education:**
Report on the Retirement Age of Staff of Federal Polytechnics and Colleges of Education Bill 2012 (SB. 74):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

9. **Adjournment:**
Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Tuesday, 17th January, 2012 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 11:36 *a.m.*

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