THE SENATE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 28th March 2012

1. Prayers

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Nigerian Apparel Industry Development Commission (Est. etc) Bill 2012 (SB. 97) – *First Reading*
Sen. Enyinnaya Abaribe *(Abia South)*

2. National Football Association Act (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill 2012 (SB. 138) – *First Reading*
Sen. Adamu Gumba *(Bauchi South)*

3. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (As Amended) (Further Alteration) Bill 2012 (SB. 139) – *First Reading*
Sen. Pius Ewherido *(Delta Central)*

4. National Poverty Eradication Commission (Est. etc) Bill 2012 (SB. 140) – *First Reading*
Sen. Zainab A. Kure *(Niger South)*

5. National Council of Traditional Rulers (Est. etc) Bill 2012 (SB. 141) – *First Reading*
Sen. Abdullahi Adamu *(Nasarawa North) and 36Others*

6. Welding Standards Regulatory Council of Nigeria (Est. etc) Bill 2012 (SB. 142) – *First Reading*
Sen. Pius Ewherido *(Delta Central)*

7. Border Communities Development Agency Act 2003 (Amendment) Bill 2012 (SB. 143) – *First Reading*
Sen. Olufemi Lanlehin *(Oyo South)*

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service:
Screening of Nominees:
Sen. Aloysius A. Etok *(Akwa Ibom North West)*
"That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service, on the screening of Nominees for appointment as Chairman and Members of the Federal Civil Service Commission (FCSC) *(To be laid)*".

2. Report of the Committee on Education
Federal University of Uyo (Est. etc) Bill 2012 (SB. 58)
Sen. Uche Chukwumerije *(Abia North)*
"That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Education, on the Federal University of Uyo (Est. etc) Bill 2012 (SB. 58)" *(To be laid)*.

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3. **Report of the Committee on Education:**
Federal Universities of (Dutsin-ma, Kashere, Lafia, Lokoja, Ndufu-Alike Ikwo, Otuoke, Oye-Ekiti, Dutse, Wukari) (Ests. etc) Bills 2012
Sen. Uche Chukwumerije *(Abia North)*
"That the Senate do receive the Report of the Committee on Education, on the Federal Universities of (Dutsin-ma, Kashere, Lafia, Lokoja, Ndufu-Alike Ikwo, Otuoke, Oye-Ekiti, Dutse, Wukari) (Ests. etc) Bills 2012 (*To be laid).*

4. **Report of the Joint Committee on Federal Capital Territory and Appropriations:**
Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Bill 2012 (SB. 134)
Sen. Smart Adeyemi, CON *(Kogi West)*
"That the Senate do receive the Report of the Joint Committee on Federal Capital Territory and Appropriations, on the Federal Capital Territory Appropriation Bill 2012 (SB. 134) *(To be laid)*".

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. Violation of Aviation Laws and Practice by Foreign Airlines in Nigeria:
Sen. Hope Uzodinma *(Imo West)*

Sen. Nkechi J. Nwaogu
Sen. Babayo G. Gamawa
Sen. Mohammed Ali Ndume
Sen. Igwe P. Nwagu
Sen. Gilbert Nnaji
Sen. Smart Adeyemi, CON
Sen. Victor Lar
Sen. Abubakar U. Tutare
Sen. Atiku A. Bagudu
Sen. Hadi Simka
Sen. Abubakar O. Saraki
Sen. Enyinnaya H. Abaribe
Sen. Emmanuel Paulker
Sen. Ifeanyi A. Okowa
Sen. Sonni O. Ogbuoji
Sen. Ayogu Eze
Sen. Mohammed S. Lafiagi
Sen. Gyang Dantong
Sen. Ahmed I. Lawan
Sen. Abdullahi Adamu
Sen. Mohammed B. Jibrilla
Sen. Helen Essuene
Sen. Lokpobiri Heineken
Sen. James E. Manager
Sen. Domingo A. Obende
Sen. Mathew I. Nwagwu
Sen. Babalola A. Odunsi
Sen. Magnus Abbey
Sen. Philip T. Aduda
Sen. Ibrahim A. Gobri
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THE SENATE
NOTES with concern that the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority recently investigated and indicted British Airways and Virgin Atlantic Airways for collusion, unfair and deceptive anti competitive practices within the Nigerian Aviation airspace;

NOTES with even greater concern that the investigation established that the two airlines colluded and cooperated in fixing, raising and maintaining the Passenger Fuel Surcharge (PFS) for travellers to and from Nigeria;

AWARE that following the indictment by Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority, British Airways and Virgin Atlantic Airways appealed against same to an administrative panel, which on February 9th , 2012 upheld the indictment and pronounced both airlines liable of illegality and violation of the Nation's Civil Aviation laws;

CONCERNED that the alleged conduct of British Airways and Virgin Atlantic Airways actually translates to colossal loss of revenue to the Federal Government accruable from the statutory 5% Ticket Sales Charge (TSC), to the magnitude of $235 Million (Two Hundred and Thirty Five Million Dollars) or about ₦3.7 Billion (Three Billion and Seven Hundred Million Naira) only, excluding heavy financial losses to travel agencies and Nigerian travellers;

WORRIED that foreign airlines charge arbitrary fees on Nigerian travellers over and above rates charged by them on routes of same or equal distance from other distances outside Nigeria to different parts of the world;

OBSERVES that the first class Lagos-London return fare is $10,816, Abuja-London return flight is $10,144 whereas the same booking for a passenger on the Accra-London route is $4,798. While business class Lagos-London return fare is $7,370. On Accra-London route it is $4,098;

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OBSERVES also that return Economy tickets from London - New York is $625, London-Dallas is $787, London - Florida is $730, London – Atlanta is $772. These routes are 9hours flight minimum while the cheapest Economy return ticket from Abuja – London which is 6hours amounts to $1200;

WORRIED that most Nigerian Passengers now travel to London through Accra Ghana, thereby denying Nigeria the chances of becoming the regional hub and the consequential colossal economic losses to the Country;

AWARE that under existing Civil Aviation Act 2006, NCAA has statutory limitations with respect to penalizing foreign airlines that violate our Civil Aviation rules or exploit the government and people of Nigeria therein;

WORRIED that arising from the NCAA report, other foreign airlines are neck deep in similar sharp practices that have continued to deny the nation of substantial revenue, even while exploiting Nigerians and Aviation related companies;

SATISFIED of the need to thoroughly investigate the activities of all foreign airlines to determine the extent of their compliance with, or breach of relevant Aviation laws, with a view also to amending the Aviation Act 2006 to plug necessary loopholes against future conspiracy and exploitation by foreign Airlines.

Accordingly resolves to:
MANDATE the Senate Committee on Aviation to investigate all issues relating to compliance or non-compliance with relevant aviation laws and all unwholesome activities by foreign airlines which undermine the growth of the Aviation industry in Nigeria.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. *Report of the Conference Committee on the Retirement Age of Staff of Polytechnics and Colleges of Education Bill, 2012 (SB. 74):*
Sen. Uche Chukwumerije *(Abia North)*
"That the Senate do consider and adopt the Report of the Conference Committee, on the Retirement Age of Staff of Polytechnics and Colleges of Education Bill, 2012 (SB. 74)".

2. *Report of the Conference Committee on the Universities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 (Amendment) Bill 2012 (SB. 94):*
Sen. Uche Chukwumerije *(Abia North)*
"That the Senate do consider and adopt the Report of the Conference Committee on the Universities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 (Amendment) Bill 2012 (SB. 94)".

3. Report of the Committee on National Planning, Economic Affairs and Poverty Alleviation:
Screening of Nominees:
Sen. Barnabas Gemade *(Benue North East)*
"That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on National Planning, Economic Affairs and Poverty Alleviation, on the screening of REV. AJIBOLA E. FAGBOYEGUN *(Ondo Sate)*, DR. RAFIQ OLAYIWOLA OGUNBAMBI, OON, mni *(Lagos State)* and ALHAJI BELLO USMAN MAITAMBARI, CON *(Kebbi State)* for appointment as Members of the Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission (RMAFC) and approve the recommendations therein".

4. Report of the Committee on Niger Delta:
Screening of Nominee:
Sen. James E. Manager *(Delta South)*
"That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on Niger Delta, on the screening of BARRISTER PETER C. EZEOBI *(Imo State)* for appointment as a Member of the Niger Delta Development Commission and approve the recommendation therein".

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5. **Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters:**
Screening of Nominees:
Sen. Umaru Dahiru *(Sokoto South)*
"That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters on the screening of ALHAJI AYINLA OLOMODA, OON and LT. COL. DAUDU SULEIMAN (RTD) for appointment as Members of the Federal Judicial Service Commission and approve the recommendation therein".

6. **Report of the Joint Committee on Employment, Labour and Productivity, Heath and Establishment and Public Service:**
Institute of Safety Professionals and Occupational Safety and Health Bills 2012 (SB. 2 and 4)
Sen. Wilson Ake *(Rivers West)*
"That the Senate do consider the Report of the Joint Committee on Employment, Labour and Productivity Health and Establishment and Public Service on the Institute of Safety Professionals and Occupational Safety and Health Bills 2012 (SB. 2 and 4)".

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules & Business	Wednesday, 28th March, 2012	2.00pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building
2.	Public Accounts	Wednesday, 28th March, 2012 ***(Public Hearing)***	2.00pm	Hearing Room 4 White House
3.	Environment and Ecology	Wednesday, 28th March, 2012	2.00pm	Committee Room 313 Senate New Building
4.	Aviation	Thursday, 29th March, 2012	12.30pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building

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Thursday, 29th March, 2012

1. **Request of Mr. President, C-IN-C for the approval of US$7,905,690,000.00 for Pipeline Projects under the Medium Term (2012-2014) External Borrowing Plan.**
   Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba, OFR, SAN, *(Senate Leader)*

2. **Motion: Denial of funds to National Institute for Nigerian Languages by Federal Ministry of Education.**
   Sen. Enyinnaya Abaribe *(Abia South)*

3. Motion: Deployment of Recruits of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) Without Training:
   Sen. Heineken Lokpobiri *(Bayelsa West)*

4. **A BILL for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute for Certified Secretaries and Reporters of Nigeria, 2012 (SB. 107) –** *Second Reading*
   Sen. Ita Enang *(Akwa Ibom North East)*

5. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Public Management of Nigeria to Provide for the Control of its Membership and to Promote the Practice of Public Management in Nigeria and for Other Purposes Connected Therewith 2012 (SB. 95) –** *Second Reading*
   Sen. Aloysius A. Etok *(Akwa Ibom North West)*

6. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Alternative Dispute Resolution Regulatory Commission and for Other Matters Thereto 2012 (HB. 16) –** *Second Reading*
   Sen. Victor Ndoma-Egba, OFR, SAN, *(Senate Leader)*

7. **A Bill for an Act to amend the Energy Commission of Nigeria Act to Grant priority to the Development and Promotion of New and Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency and Conservation, and provide for other matters relating thereto. (SB. 65) -** *Second Reading*
   Sen. Dahiru Awaisu Kuta *(Niger East)*

8. **A Bill for an Act to Amend the Education (National Minimum Standards and Establishment of Institutions) Act Cap E3, LFN 2004 and for Other Related Matters 2012 (SB. 113) –** *Second Reading*
   Sen. Ike Ekweremadu *(Enugu West)*

9. **A Bill for an Act to Further Amend the Trade Unions Act, Cap. T14 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 as amended 2005 to make Provisions for Ballot as a Requirement before any Action Taken by Trade Unions and for Other Matters Connected Therewith 2012 (SB. 120) –** *Second Reading(Adjourned Debates – Tuesday, 13th March, 2012)*
   Sen. Heineken Lokpobiri *(Bayelsa West)*

10. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for Regular and Routine Maintenance of Public Infrastructures and for Other Matters Connected Therewith. (SB. 71) -** *Second Reading*
    Sen. Gilbert Nnaji *(Enugu East)*

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