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ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 31 January, 2013

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2. Legislative Powers and Privileges Act (Repeal and Re-Enactment) Bill, 2013 (HB. 429) (*Hon. Ali Ahmad and Hon. Gambo Musa Dan-Musa*) — *First Reading*.

3. Constitution Alteration Act (Amendment) Bill, 2013 (HB. 430) (*Hon. Raphael Nnanna Igbokwe*) — *First Reading*.

4. Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2013 (HB. 431) (*Hon. Raphael Nnanna Igbokwe*) — *First Reading*.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. **Committee on Banking and Currency:**
   Hon. Jones C. Onyereri:
   "That this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Banking and Currency on the Planned Restructuring of the Nigerian Currency by the Central Bank of Nigeria — A Cash Policy Somersault" (*Referred*: 18/9/2012) (**HR. 149/2012**).

2. **Committee on Banking and Currency:**
   Hon. Jones C. Onyereri:
   "That this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Banking and Currency on the Expenditure of Public Funds by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and the Asset Management Corporation of Nigeria (AMCON) without approval" (*Referred*: 2/11/2011) (**HR. 60/2011**).

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3. **Committee on Banking and Currency:**
Hon. Jones C. Onyereri:
"That this House do Receive the Report of the Committee on Banking and Currency on the Misus e of Public Funds by Central Bank of Nigeria and the need to Urgently Establish a Pool of Fund for Provision of Relief to Victims of Natural Disaster and some Specified Crimes" (*Referred*: 7/3/2012) (**HR. 54/2012**).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. **Need for Waiver of Tuition Fee for Prison Inmates Attending the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN):**

Hon. Rotimi Makinde	**Hon. Beni Lar**	**Hon. Michael A. Ogunnusi**
Hon. Ismail Ahmed Gadaka	**Hon. Umaru Halilu Aliero**	**Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila**
Hon. Yusuf Lasun	**Hon. Abimbola Daramola**	**Hon. Peter Akpatason**
Hon. Zakari Tom	**Hon. Adeyinka Ajayi**	**Hon. Famurewa Ajibola**
Hon. Gafaru Amere	**Hon. Ayo Omidiran**	**Hon. Sunday Adepoju**
Hon. Busari Olayemi	**Hon. Kehinde Odeneye**	**Hon. Abegunde Ifedayo**
Hon. Faleke James	**Hon. Abayomi Ayeola**	**Hon. Babatunde Adejare**
Hon. Johnson Adeoba	**Hon. Akintoye Albert**	

The House:

Notes that in all societies, prisons are places of rehabilitation, reformation and transformation of prisoners;

Further notes that the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN) was established in 1983 to aid open and distance teaching and learning by providing wider access to education generally through the use of information and communication technology to all desiring Nigerians;

Concerned that Prison inmates within the country that signify interest in any vocational training are encouraged without any financial obligation from them whereas their counterparts attending the National Open University of Nigeria located within the prison environment pay tuition fee;

Worried that most developed countries spend huge sums of money on corrections of prison inmates each year with the cost of providing education and training opportunities to further their education through in-prison programmes which is free to inmate-participants;

Further worried that prisoners in Nigeria are usually subjected only to total punitive measures without reformative measures which could make them easily overcome their prison records, trauma, awaken their creativity and stay out of crime when they are released or have completed their jail terms.

Resolves to:

Call on the Federal Government to waive and make tuition fee free for prison inmates attending the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN).

2. **Urgent Need to Conduct a Referendum in Bakassi Peninsula:**
Hon. Ekpenyong Ayi:

The House:

Notes that in October 2002, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) passed a judgment in the matter between the Federal Republic of Nigeria and the Republic of Cameroon resulting in the ceding of the Bakassi Peninsula to the Republic of Cameroon;

Appreciates the right of people to self-determination by virtue of which they determine their political status and freely pursue their economic, social and cultural development. Bakassi people deserve to be given a platform to exercise their right to self-determination which is an inalienable right provided in Article 1 of the 1966 International Convention on Civil and Political Rights;

Aware that several referenda were held across the globe at different times for the purposes of protecting the Fundamental Human Rights of the Citizens involved, for example, a referendum was held from 9 -15 January, 2011 in Southern Sudan where the Republic of Southern Sudan opted out of the then Sudan, in Egypt a referendum was also held on 19 March, 2012 and same in Switzerland in June 2012 among others;

Recalls that Article (15) 2 of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted in 1948 states that "No one shall be arbitrarily deprived of Nationality or denied the right to change his Nationality". This guarantees Nigerian Nationals living in Bakassi the right to exercise their fundamental Rights and Freedom enshrined in the International Human Rights Law;

Further recalls that Article 3 of the Green Tree Agreement recognizes the rights of the Bakassi People when it says: "Cameroon after the transfer of authorities to it by Nigeria, guarantees to Nigerian Nationals living in Bakassi Peninsula the exercise of their Fundamental Rights and Freedoms as enshrined in the International Human Rights Law and other relevant provisions of the International law";

Disturbed that incessant and blatant violations, frequent extra-judicial killings and incarceration by the Cameroonian Authority calls for self-determination of the Bakassi people to ascertain their future.

Resolves to:

Urge the Federal Government of Nigeria to initiate the process of conducting a referendum in Bakassi Peninsula.

BILLS

3. Consolidation of Bills:

(*a*) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Companies and Allied Matters Act, Cap. C20 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 by making an upward Review of Penalties Prescribed for Foreign Companies doing Business in Nigeria for Non-Compliance with the Provisions of the Companies and Allied Matters Act and for Related Matters (HB. 275) — *Second Reading*.

(*b*) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2004 and for Other Related Matters (HB. 268) — *Second Reading*.

4. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Rehabilitation of Persons Convicted for Offences and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 395) — *Second Reading*.

5. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerian Institute of Agriculturists charged with the Responsibility for Regulating the Profession of Agriculturists by Prescribing the Standard of Academic Qualification and Practical Skills to be attained by Persons seeking to become Registered Members in Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB. 314) — *Second Reading*.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

6. A Bill for an Act to Eliminate Violence in Private and Public life, Prohibit all forms of Violence including Physical, Sexual, Psychological, Domestic, Harmful Traditional Practices; Discrimination against Persons and to Provide Maximum Protection and effective Remedies for Victims and Punishment of Offenders (HB. 191) — (*Committee of the Whole*) (*Adjourned Consideration*: 26/9/2012).

7. Committee on Public Petitions:

***Report on the Petition by the Managing Director, Globalnet Investment Resources Ltd*:**

Hon. Uzo Azubuike:

"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by the Managing Director, Globalnet Investment Resources Ltd against the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) on Alleged Misappropriation and Diversion of ₦28,250,000.00 and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid*: 5/7/2012).

(*i*) That the petition lack merit and should be dismissed;

(*ii*) urge the petitioner to tender apology to the Corps Marshal for false allegation and baseless incrimination in the petition.

8. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report on the Petition by Mr Rowland E. Akpabele*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Rowland E. Akpabele on his Premature Retirement from the Services of Nigerian Export-Import Bank (NEXIM) and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 5/7/2012).

That the House dismiss the petition by Mr Rowland Akpebele for his reinstatement into the Nigerian Export-Import Bank (NEXIM) as the Petitioner voluntarily resigned his appointment without attaining the minimum period of service for Pension.

9. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report on the Petition by F. Ogene and Sons*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by F. Ogene and Sons for claims of ₦5,360,238.40 in respect of Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC) contract duly executed by F. Ogene and Sons and handed over to Government in 2001 and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 5/7/2012).

Urge the Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC) to mandate the Edo State Primary Education Board to pay forthwith the sum of Six Hundred and Fifty-Four Thousand, Five Hundred and Sixty Naira only (₦654,560.00) to the Petitioner being value of work done at the old site before he was arbitrarily relocated to another site by Chairman Edo State Primary Education Board.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday, 31 January, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Local Content	Thursday, 31 January, 2013	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 456 New Building (House) Assembly Complex