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ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 23 April, 2013

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PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Chemical Weapons (Prohibition) Bill, 2013 (HB. 488) (*Executive*) — *First Reading*.
2. Pension Reform Bill, 2013 (HB. 487) (*Executive*) — *First Reading*.
3. Vocational Schools (Establishment) Bill, 2013 (HB. 471) (*Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila*) — *First Reading*.
4. Oral and Written Communication Tracking Bill, 2013 (HB. 485) (*Hon. Dakuku A. Peterside*) — *First Reading*.
5. Sales of Goods Bill, 2013 (HB. 486) (*Hon. Ali Ahmad and 5 Others*) — *First Reading*.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Committee on Governmental Affairs:
Hon. Peter Oge Ali:
"That this House do receive the Report of the Committee on Governmental Affairs on Re-naming the National Museum Centre, Benin City, Edo State, after Chief Anthony Eromosele Enahoro (**HR. 205/2012**)" (*Referred*:18/3/202013).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. **Need to Reappraise the Poverty Alleviation Strategies of the National Poverty Eradication Programme (NAPEP) in Nigeria:**
Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

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The House:

Notes that the National Poverty Eradication Programme (NAPEP) was established in 2001 by the federal government to address poverty and its related issues in Nigeria;

Further notes that an effective poverty alleviation strategy involves a combination of macroeconomic, structural and social forces or policies and programmes that are vigorously pursued over several years;

Aware that the target of the National Poverty Eradication programme was to completely wipe out poverty from Nigeria in 2010;

Cognizant of the fact that the 2010 target of eradicating poverty was not realized due to ineffective strategies and poor implementation of the National Poverty Eradication Programme (NAPEP);

Worried that some of the strategies adopted by the National Poverty Eradication programme (NAPEP) in fighting poverty in Nigeria are not transformational enough to stand the test of socio-economic and political time;

Further worried that the tricycle popularly known as Keke NAPEP are usually released to beneficiaries of the programmes at a very high rate;

Concerned by the rampant cases of mechanical breakdown of these tricycle and its attendant economic and psychological frustration and drain on the beneficiaries of the programme;

Further concerned that the National Poverty Eradication programme presently being executed does not encompass the various socio-economic and political factors listed above.

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committees on Poverty Alleviation, Labour, Employment and Productivity and National Planning and Economic Development to conduct a Public Hearing on the National Poverty Eradication Program (NAPEP) to capture the view of relevant stakeholders and experts on the best strategies to effectively reform the National Poverty Eradication Programme (NAPEP) towards alleviating poverty in Nigeria, and report back to the House within 4 weeks.

2. Need to Replace 45,000 Nigerian Unemployed Youths with the 45,000 Ghost Workers Uncovered by the Federal Government Across the Country:
Hon. Saviour F. Udoh:

The House:

Notes with deep concern the discovery of 45,000 ghost workers in Federal Establishments across the country;

Further notes that the scrutiny of the various accounts of the Federal Ministries, Departments, Agencies of Government and Parastatals between October 2006 and this year 2013 has saved the Federal Government of Nigeria more than ₦100 billion;

Also notes that this achievement was made through the deployment of the Integrated Payroll and Personal Information System (IPPIS) in 215 Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs);

Worried that the first deployment of the Integrated Payroll and Personal Information System (IPPIS) which started in October 2006 only covered 7 pilot Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs), namely the Federal Ministry of Education, Federal Ministry of Information and National Orientation, Federal Ministry of Finance, Federal Ministry of Works, Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs, National Planning Commission and Budget Office of the Federation;

Further worried that by the time a comprehensive audit is conducted in 320 Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) that have not been covered, it may reveal that the Federal Government of Nigeria has been paying over 100,000 ghost workers at the federal level alone every month not to mention the 774 Local Government Councils nationwide;

Concerned that the ghost workers syndrome has permeated other strata of Government, for example — in December 2012, the Akwa Ibom State Government uncovered 2,561 ghost workers through its compulsory biometric data. In November 2012, Kogi State verification Committee on Local Government Staff uncovered 9,258 "ghost workers" in 21 Local Councils; in December, 2012 the Abia State Government discovered 1,727 ghost workers on the payroll of its 17 Local Government Councils through its biometric data implementation committee set up by the State Government to find out why the council's wage bill had steadily been on the increase; In February 2013, the Plateau State Government revealed that it discovered not less than 6,000 ghost workers after a biometric verification exercise was carried out by the State Government. And in July 2011, the Director-General, National Identity Management Commission Mr Chris Onyemenam disclosed that the Commission discovered 4,000 ghost workers from the biometric data captured for the employees of the Commission;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Urge the various Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) through the Ministry of Labour and Productivity to employ or facilitate the employment of qualified Nigerian youths and persons to replace the vacancies wherever the ghost workers were detected;

(*ii*) further urge the President to direct the Governors in their respective states, and, the Governors to direct the Local Government Councils in their respective states to replace the Ghost Workers as in (1) above to reflect the Federal Character principle.

BILLS

3. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Regulation of Location of Telecommunications Masts and Associated Facilities; Co- Location and Infrastructure Sharing for the P urposes of Ensuring Human Safety and Environmental Sustainability; and for Other Matters (HB. 141) — *Second Reading*.

4. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Provision of Section 147 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 to allow each State of the Federation to have at least a Substantive Minister in the Federal Executive Council (HB. 453) — *Second Reading*.

5. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Financial Controllers to Regulate and Control the Chartered Institute and for Other Matters Connected Thereto (HB. 213) — *Second Reading*.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

6. **Committee on Foreign Affairs:**
Hon. Nnenna Ijeoma Elendu-Ukeje
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on the Violent attack on the Nigerian Embassy in Dakar, Senegal on Monday in which the building, vehicle and equipment were vandalized and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid*: 27 /3/2013).

(*i*) That the unfortunate and unprovoked attack on the Chancery in Dakar, Senegal is condemned in totality; that those Nigerians who participated in this act of vandalism be identified and brought to book as a deterrent to all other Nigerians who may harbor the desire to engage in such acts;

(*ii*) that the Committee proposes a piece of legislation on protection of our sovereign symbols at home and abroad and proffer penalties for desecrating same;

(*iii*) that the Chancery should be relocated to a safer location as the present location could have been a major contributing factor to the ease with which it was invaded;

(*iv*) that the Ministry in collaboration with the missions, the Office of the National Security Adviser and the National Intelligence Agency should undertake an assessment of the security situation in our Missions in West Africa;

(*v*) that the missions through engagement with the Nigerian communities should outline with clarity their functions and limitations in the execution of their duties as diplomats;

(*vi*) that Adequate funding should be made available for the running of all our missions abroad to enable them meet up to the overwhelming consular demands;

(*vii*) that Nigerians should respect the laws of their host countries as they are our primary Ambassadors in such countries.

7. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report of the Petition by C. O. Edezie*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by C. O. Edezie on behalf of Occupants of No. 41 Kingsway Road and 25 Illabere Street, Ikoyi, Lagos against the Federal Government on Alleged Re-Development and Threat of Ejection of Occupants therein and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 14/3/2013).

Urge the House to approve the amicable resolution of the matter by the parties involved and direct that the offer letter be delivered to the real Civil Servants/sitting tenants of the plots in issue, in the presence of their counsel who represented them at all times in pursing this matter before the implementation Committee and this Committee.

8. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report of the Petition by Mr Tamuno Inabiebu Taylor*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Mr Tamuno Inabiebu Taylor (a Distance Learning Student) on his Alleged Expulsion by the University of Abuja Authorities and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 14/3/2013).

Urge University of Abuja to absolve the petitioner, Inabiebu Taylor of the alleged offence of examination malpractices and the consequent punishment, and release petitioner's Degree Result and Certificate.

9. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report of the Petition by Okrika Timmy Okeoghene, Mateme Prince Gilbert and Omodaye Godwin Bafor*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Okirka Timmy Okeoghene, Mateme Prince Gilbert and Omodaye Godwin Bafor against Chevron Nigeria Limited (CNL) on Alleged Unlawful Termination of Appointment and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 27/3/2013).

***Recommendation*:**

Urge the Management of Chevron Nigeria Limited (CNL) to tamper justice with mercy and reconsider the case, as Dateme Prince Gilbert had no fraudulent intent.

10. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report of the Petition by L/CPL Sidimon Emmanuel*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by L/CPL Sidimon Emmanuel on Alleged Malicious Prosecution and Unlawful Dismissal from the Nigerian Army and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 27/3/2013).

***Recommendation*:**

Urge the Chief of Army Staff to review the petitioner's case and consider converting the dismissal of the petitioner from the Nigerian Army to retirement with effect from the date of dismissal with full benefits of retirement.

11. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report of the Petition by SPR Tuku Paul*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by SPR Tuku Paul against the Nigerian Army on Alleged Non Re-instatement into the Nigerian Army and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 27/3/2013).

***Recommendation*:**

The House discountenances the petition for lack of merit, since it was clearly established that the petitioner was on AWOL/desertion from the Army for over three months and other acts of indiscipline while in the service.

12. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report of the Petition by Ex-Cpl Maria Ikhimi*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Ex-Cpl Maria Ikhimi against the Nigerian Army on Alleged Dismissal from the Services of Nigerian Army and approve the Recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 27/3/2013).

***Recommendation*:**

Urge the Chief of Army Staff to review the case of the Ex-Cpl Maria Ikhimi.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 23 April, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Federal Capital Territory	Tuesday, 23 April, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Aviation	Tuesday, 23 April, 2013	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 437 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Climate Change	Tuesday, 23 April, 2013	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 144 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Police Affairs	Tuesday, 23 April, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	Anti-Corruption	Tuesday, 23 April, 2013	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 107 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	Public Safety and National Security	Tuesday, 23 April, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 356 New Building (House) Assembly Complex