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ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 10 July, 2013

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. **Major Landslide Disaster in Oron Local Government Area and its Impact on the People: Hon. Robinson Uwak:**

The House:

Notes that the heavy rainfall of 23 June 2013 caused a major landslide which destroyed and cut off the very important Oron road by Isangedighi road in Oron Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State;

Further notes that as a result of the landslide over 200 persons have been displaced and rendered homeless, several houses collapsed, business locations damaged, and goods worth millions of naira destroyed. The situation has constituted a grave danger to the health, security and economic conditions of the Local Government;

Concerned that more houses are at the brink of collapse, seeing that the area is erosion prone coupled with the heavy amounts of rainfall during this period. If no immediate steps are taken to remedy the situation, the adjoining areas would be adversely affected;

Aware that Oron road, which is a Federal Road, has been totally neglected by the Federal Government for over 40 years, and has remained in a bad condition for the last 15 years, making it scarcely motorable despite its huge economic importance to the region. At present, several large haulage vehicles are unable to move to their destinations due to the road being totally cut off by the massive ravine-caused landslide;

Worried that despite consistent and persistent cries from the residents in the past 10 years, nothing has been done by the government to repair the road and dangerous ravines that threaten the area;

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Further worried that the residents of the area are suffering untold hardship as there is a breakdown in gainful commercial activities and rise in insecurity.

Further aware that economic activities in the region is currently nonexistent due to the fact that the affected road is the central nerve through which five other Local Government Areas are accessed, as well as Cities such as Uyo, Eket, Calabar, Port Harcourt, Northern Nigeria and even Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, and Gabon.

Resolves to:

(*i*) Urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to immediately send emergency rescue and relief materials to the over 200 persons, and assess the level of damage and destruction for the purposes of compensation;

(*ii*) further urge the Honourable Minister of Works to immediately mobilize resources towards:

(*a*) a temporary solution to repair the cut-off portion of the road to enable vehicular movement and resumption of commercial activities;

(*b*) commencing immediate repair works on the Oron Road and Isangedighi Road.

2. **Establishment of a Recreation Centre for National Assembly Members: Hon. Peter Biye Gumtha:**

The House:

Notes that since the inauguration of the National Assembly in 1999, no conscious and deliberate efforts have been made to inculcate and imbibe in Members and former Members the culture of recreation and leisure;

Observes that in consideration of the place of regular physical exercise in the National Assembly, the total well being of National Assembly members, a recreation centre ought to have been provided for them at a most suitable site in the Federal Capital City;

Further notes that the seeming failure of the Federal Government to provide a recreation centre for the National Assembly is a grave oversight and a negation of International best practices, as Legislators in most democracies around the world are provided with resort and recreation centres;

Conscious of the fact that the beneficial outcomes of recreational facilities for Members of the National Assembly should be leveraged upon by immediately authorising the establishment of a resort and recreation centre at an appropriate and suitable location in the Federal Capital City.

Resolves to:

(*i*) Establish a resort and recreation centre for the use of Members of the National Assembly and former Members;

(*ii*) mandate the Committees on Sports, Finance, the Federal Capital Territory and House Services to examine in details and analyse of the desirability and cost implications for the establishment of a resort/recreation centre for Members of the House of Representatives and report back to the House within 4 weeks.

3. **Extension of Time sought Pursuant to Rule 109 (*a*) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives: Hon. Christopher S. Eta:**

The House:

Notes that the House on 7th May, 2013 passed a Resolution constituting an *Ad-hoc* Committee to within 4 weeks; determine the total amount that has been generated under the Cabotage Vessel Financing Fund from inception to date, level of utilization of the fund and those firms and individuals who have benefited from the fund;

Further determine the banks that are keeping those funds and the level of their participation in the scheme;

Recommend how the Cabotage Vessel Financing Fund can be judiciously put into transparent use for the benefit of all indigenous firms in the maritime sector;

Urge the *Ad-hoc* Committee to further determine the level of indigenous participation as required by the Cabotage Act, 2003;

Aware that the four (4) weeks earlier given by the House for the *Ad-hoc* Committee to complete work on the assignment had since lapsed creating problem of validity of the recommendation(s) of the *Ad-hoc* Committee to the House;

Disturbed that if the time is not extended for the *Ad-hoc* Committee, the recommendation(s) of the *Ad-hoc* Committee may jeopardize or encumbered as these would have been belated.

Resolves to:

Extend the time for the submission of the Report of the Committee to the House by six (6) weeks.

BILLS

4. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of a Palm Oil Cocoa and Groundnut Development Fund, which shall be responsible for the Development, Co-ordinating and Encouraging the Cultivation, Exportation and Utilization of these Economic Products in Nigeria and for Connected Purposes (HB. 516) — *Second Reading*.

5. A Bill for an Act to Regulate all forms of Subsidiary Legislation otherwise known as Delegated Legislation, which include Regulations, Orders, Rules, Notices, Bye-Laws Etc. to ensure that the Subsidiary Legislation is made consistent with the objectives of the enabling Law and for Other Related Matters (HB. 508) — *Second Reading*.

6. A Bill for an Act for the Designation and Establishment of Oil and Gas Free Zones and Special Investment Areas in Nigeria, Establishment of the Oil and Gas Investment and Free Zones Authority and for Related Matters (HB. 282) — *Second Reading*.

7. A Bill for an Act to Make it Compulsory for all Schools to Teach Nigerian Constitution as a Subject in Schools and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 398) — *Second Reading*.

8. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Microfinance Management Institute of Nigeria (Chartered) to Regulate and Control Entrance into the Industry and Profession, Setting Standard for Microfinance Institutions to Comply with and Promote Adherence to Professional Ethics Among Microfinance Institutions and for Related Matters (HB. 421) and a Bill for an Act to Establish National Institute of Microfinance Bankers charged, among other things, with the responsibilities of Stimulating an Innovative and Sustainable Microfinance practices that guarantees Wealth Creation and determining the Knowledge and Skill required of persons seeking to become members and Other Related Matters (HB. 535) — *Second Reading*.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

9. **Committee on Labour Employment and Productivity:**
Hon. Essien Ekepenyong Ayi:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Labour Employment and Productivity on a Bill for an Act to Amend the NSITF Act, Cap. N88, LFN, 2004 to Provide Social Security to all Eligible Citizens of Nigeria who are Ordinarily Resident in Nigeria whether Employed in the Private or Public Sector, Unemployed and Aged without Discrimination and Related Matters (HB.286) and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid*: 27/ 6/2013).

10. **Committees on Privatizationand Commercialization, Finance, Communications, Public Procurement and Information Technology:**
Hon. Khadijat Bukar Abba Ibrahim:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committees on Privatizationand Commercialization, Finance, Communications, Public Procurement and Information Technology on the Need to stop planned Liquidation of Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTEL) and approve the Recommendations therein:

(*i*) that the National Council on Privatization (NCP) should immediately direct the Bureau for Public Enterprise (BPE) to stop the on-going process of liquidation of Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTEL)under the circumstances;

(*ii*) that the National Council on Privatization (NCP) direct Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTEL) to commence the process of conducting technical and financial audit of the two companies as approved by the Board;

(*iii*) that the National Council on Privatization (NCP) should direct their records office to eliminate the existing over ₦170 billion variance under the supervision of the office of the Auditor General of the Federation;

(*iv*) that the National Council on Privatization (NCP) should direct the Bureau for Public Enterprise (BPE) to comply with Federal High Court judgments in favour of the3000 ex-staff of Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTEL) treated as casuals and the other one in favour of Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTEL) pensioners;

(*v*) that the National Council on Privatization (NCP) should consider the proposal for revamping the companies while Privatization process is as submitted by the ex-staff, consultants and others as an alternative to outright liquidation of Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTEL);

(*vi*) that the National Council on Privatization (NCP) should consider Public Private Partnership (PPP) as a privatization strategy of the companies and maintain the National Carrier status for security reasons;

(*vii*) that the Federal Government should direct Ministry of Finance to comply with the agreement between Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and the Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs) to deduct from source the reconciled ₦6.2 billion and remit to Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) for immediate settlement of outstanding staff salary arrears/other fringe benefits and resuscitation of the company ;

(*viii*) that the Federal Government should plead with the State Governors to reconcile the ₦4billion NITEL debt and pay accordingly;

(*ix*) that the Federal Government should direct Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) and Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) Management to determine the fees due to the new regime from single to double tandem that was unfair to Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL);

(*x*) that the Federal Government should direct Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) to include the present management of Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTEL) in the National Broadband Implementation Roadmap;

(*xi*) that the Federal Government should direct Ministry of Finance to comply with the agreement between the Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and the Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDAs) to deduct from source the reconciled ₦6.2 billion and remit to the Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) for immediate settlement of outstanding staff salary arrears/other fringe benefits and resuscitation of the company;

(*xii*) that the Reverse the sales of NECOM House a core assets sold as non-core assets as it is critical to Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTEL) operations;

(*xiii*) National Council on Privatization (NCP) to recommend to Federal Government to include Nigeria Telecommunications Limited (NITEL) and Mobile Telecommunications Limited (MTEL) in Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) bailout intervention fund with a total sum equivalent to $1 billion USD to be refunded with interest over a period of five (5) years.

11. **Committees on Petroleum Resources (Upstream) and Navy:**
Hon. Muraina S. Ajibola:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committees on Petroleum Resources (Upstream) and Navy on the Unprecedented Upsurge of Illegal oil Bunkering activities in Nigeria's Coastal Region and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid*: 28/2/2013):

(*i*) That the installation of marine radar systems at various locations between Badagry and Bakassi which would provide uninterrupted surveillance of the entire coastline up to a distance of at least 40 nautical miles from the Shoreline. These radar stations should be connected to a central security office where all security agents like Navy NIMASA, Marine-Police, etc can have access for quick intervention when unauthorized movement of watercraft is detected;

(*ii*) that International Collaborative efforts through our various Embassies should be made to stop the activities of illegal bunkerers and oil thieves in Nigeria since one of the factors driving illegal bunkering is the international demand for stolen crude. Researches should be conducted towards establishing special scientific features of Nigeria's Crude to identify it specifically in the midst of others;

(*iii*) that the Nigerian Security outfits Navy, Air Force, Army, Police, Civil Defence, Immigration, Customs; etc. should be the ones making security arrangements with the various communities directly, rather, than the use of Private Security Outfit which end up using our officers and men. Sufficient funds should be made available by the Federal Government to enable the security outfits perform maximally. Indeed, community policing of the pipelines should be monitored directly by the said Federal Government Security Outfits;

(*iv*) creation of hot telephone lines for citizens to reach security agents and the telephone lines should be well publicized;

(*v*) enforcement of the appropriate laws enacted to stamp out insecurity;

(*vi*) provision of employment: Due to fact that most of the youths are not economically engaged, they find the act of vandalism/illegal bunkering economically viable;

(*vii*) that Inter Agency collaboration: The need to continue to strengthen robust strategy and synergy among security Agencies would go a long way to curbing the menace;

(*viii*) that adequate/Modern Equipment: The act of vandalisation/illegal bunkering is an organized crime that requires sophisticated equipment. Therefore, Security Agencies require adequate modern equipment including (monitoring devices) to nip the crime in the bud;

(*ix*) that the Federal Government should sustain its policy and programme to tackle militancy in the Niger Delta region;

(*x*) that all stakeholders in the maritime sector require collaboration to checkmate piracy and adequately monitor foreign nationals who come to trade on the Nigerian territorial waters;

(*xi*) recommendation of Citizenship training in the school curriculum as a foundation for national stability to inculcate the culture of patriotism and social discipline;

(*xii*) embark on more robust enlightenment campaign in the print and electronic media through the Agency of Government so empowered, to bring to the knowledge of the citizens the inherent dangers of illegal bunkering;

(*xiii*) effective supervision and monitoring of oil companies operating in Nigeria with the view to ensuring compliance with approved standards of practice;

(*xiv*) that based on its record of performance, Petroleum Products Monitoring Company Limited be re-engaged by the House of Representatives to work on the Prevention of Crude Oil theft from NNPC installations in the Country's Coastal Region.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 357 Assembly Complex
2.	Legislative Compliance (*with Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)*)	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 324 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Anti-Corruption, National Ethics and Values (*with Code of Conduct Tribunal*)	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 344 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Anti-Corruption, National Ethics and Values (*with ICPC*)	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 344 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Communications (*Budget defence with Executive Vice-Chairman, (NCC), Secretary, Universal Provision Fund (USPF)*)	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 144 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	Finance (*with NNPC and their Subsidiaries in respect of Independent Revenue*)	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 028 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	Health (*with CMDs, Mds and JOHESU*)	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
8.	Drugs, Narcotics and Financial Crimes	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 468 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
9.	Public Petitions (*Investigative Hearing*)	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
10.	*Ad-hoc* Committee on the Review of the Constitution	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	3.30 p.m.	Committee Room 447 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
11.	Local Content	Wednesday, 10 July, 2013	1.30 p.m.	Committee Room 456 New Building (House) Assembly Complex