SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 26th November, 2013

1. The Senate met at 10:55 a.m. The Deputy Senate President read prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 21st November, 2013.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Message from Mr President:**
The Deputy Senate President announced that he had received a letter from Mr President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, which he read as follows:

Confirmation of Appointment of Chairman and Members of the Niger Delta Development Commission:

PRESIDENT,
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

November 21, 2013

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

Your Excellency,

RE: REQUEST FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE NIGER DELTA DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Further to my letter of 19th November 2013 forwarding names of Chairman and Members of the Board of the Niger Delta Development Commission for confirmation by the Distinguished Members of the Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, I hereby write to formally request the withdrawal of the name of Enikuomehin BG Olorungbonju representing Ondo State (serial number 14 on the said letter).

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In his place, I forward the name of Barrister Amuwa Benson Adegbenro, whose Curriculum Vitae is attached herewith, as the nominee representing Ondo State.

While trusting that this exercise will receive the traditional prompt attention of the Senate, please accept, Distinguished Senate President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours Sincerely,
(Signed)
GOODLUCK EBELE JONATHAN

4. Announcement:
Meeting:
The Deputy Senate President read a letter from Senator George Akume (*Benue North-West*) as follows:

Senator George Akume
BENUE NORTH WEST SENATORIAL DISTRICT
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

25th November, 2013

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Distinguished Sen. David Mark, GCON
President of the Senate
Federal Republic of Nigeria
National Assembly, Abuja

Dear Sir,

Meeting of All Progressives Congress (APC) National Leadership.

This is to bring to the attention of all APC Distinguished Senators that a crucial National Leadership meeting of the party has been slated as follows:

Date/Day: *Tuesday, 26th November, 2013*

Venue: *APC National Headquarters, No. 40 Blantyre Street, Wuse II, Abuja.*

Time: *10 am*

All APC Senators are to attend unfailingly please.

Highest regards,

(Signed)
Sen. George Akume
Senate Minority Leader

5. Demise of Hon. Raphael Oloye Nomiye:
Motion made: That the Senate do suspend Plenary and also observe a minute silence in honour of Hon. Raphael Oloye Nomiye who died on Saturday, 23rd November, 2013(*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

One minute silence accordingly observed.

6. **Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions:**
Report on the wrongful termination of Mr. E. O. Agbo's appointment by the Nigeria Customs Service:

Presentation of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

7. **Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions:**
Report on the wrongful termination and dismissal of Mr. Alaowei Jumbo, JP:

Presentation of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

8. **Confirmation of Nomination:**

Consideration of Request deferred to another Legislative Day.

9. **Committee on Establishment and Public Services:**
Report on the National Assembly Service Commission Act Cap N7 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill 2013 (SB. 245):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

10. **Committee on Health, Primary Healthcare:**
Report on the National Health Bill 2013 (SB. 215):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

11. **Joint Committee on Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs; and Employment, Labour and Productivity:**
Report on the Employment Irregularities in Federal Establishments in Nigeria:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

12. **Federal Universities of Agriculture Act, Cap F22 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill 2013 (SB.179):**

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

13. **Federal Universities of Technology Act, Cap. F23, LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill 2013 (SB.181):**

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

14. **Special Funds Accounts of the Federation (Establishment, etc.) Bill 2013 (SB. 265):**

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

15. **Engineers (Registration, etc) Act CAP E11 LFN 2001 (Amendment) Bill 2013 (SB.211):**

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

16. Adjournment:

Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Wednesday, 27th November, 2013 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 11:18 *a.m.*

Ike Ekweremadu, CFR
Deputy Senate President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.