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ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 22 January, 2014

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1. National Anthem Bill, 2014 (HB. 610) (*Hon. Ben Nwankwo*) — *First Reading*.

2. Code of Conduct Bureau and Tribunal Act (Amendment) Bill, 2014 (HB. 615) (*Hon. James Abiodun Faleke*) — *First Reading*.

3. National Productivity Centre Act (Amendment) Bill, 2014 (HB. 623) (*Hon. Warman W. Ogoriba*) — *First Reading*.

4. Federal Highway Act (Amendment) Bill, 2014 (HB. 625) (*Hon. Nosakhare I. Osahon*) — *First Reading*.

5. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Amendment) Bill, 2014 (HB. 627) (*Hon. Rotimi Mikail Makinde and Three Others*) — *First Reading*.

6. Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2014 (HB. 636) (*Hon. Abdulrahman Abba Terab*) — *First Reading*.

7. Capital Project Mandatory Report Bill, 2014 (HB. 638) (*Hon. Akpatason Ohiozojeh Peter*) — *First Reading*.

8. Criminal Procedure Act (Amendment) Bill, 2014 (HB. 661) (*Hon. Daniel Effiong Asuquo*) — *First Reading*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

1. **Urgent Need for the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to Intervene in the Incessant Conflicts between Herdsmen and Local Farmers in Various Parts of Nigeria:**
Hon. Sunday Karimi:

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The House:

Notes with sadness, the continued attacks on communities across the country by herdsmen and the counter attacks that often result therefrom which have become almost a daily occurrence;

Also notes that these attacks have assumed a dangerous trend, as they have become more rampant in the recent times without any sign of their going down;

Further notes that one in the series of such conflicts occurred on 3 January, 2014 during which the Emir of Jere in Kaduna State, Dr Usman Sa'had who is also the husband of Senator Nenadi Usman almost lost his life and now lies critically ill in a hospital after he was brutalized while trying to mediate between the warring parties;

Again notes that within the last 30 days, over 100 innocent lives have been lost on account of these needless attacks and counter attacks;

Sadly notes that on January 6, 2014, more than thirty (30) people were killed and many more were injured in an attack in Riyom Local Government Area of Plateau State alleged to have been carried out by gunmen believed to be herdsmen;

Recalls that on January 8, 2014, a similar crisis broke out in Ketu community of Yewa Local government Area of Ogun State which led to loss of lives and properties; equally, in Yaba-East Federal Constituency, hardly a day passes without reports being received of attacks or threats of attacks between herdsmen and local farmers;

Worried that on January 13, 2014, herdsmen riding on about one hundred (100) horses raided the border towns and villages in Guma Local Government Area of Benue State killing two (2) soldiers and eighteen (18) farmers; the conflict which lasted for about three (3) days left over three thousand (3,000) people internally displaced and are now living in various camps in Daudu, Ortese and Yelwatta areas of Benue State, far away from their ancestral homes; equally, the Daily Sun newspaper of Monday, January 2, 2014 reported that about thirty (30) people were killed in an attack on Agatu community of Benue State;

Concerned about a related report in the Daily Independent newspaper of Tuesday, January 14, 2014 where a person was killed by herdsmen in a village in Ughelli North Local Government Area of Delta State when he resisted their cattle grazing on his farmland;

Cognizant that the most sacred duty of any Government, as enshrined in Section 14 (2) (*b*) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 is to guarantee the security and welfare of the people as the primary purpose of government, therefore, the Federal Government of Nigeria has a duty to preserve the lives and property of Nigerian citizens;

Conscious of our roles as representatives of our people, we must demonstrate courage in addressing this ugly trend and not to fold our arms and watch our people being maimed or killed needlessly;

Aware that the Senate and the House of Representatives, in carrying out the powers conferred on them by Sections 4 (1) and (2) and 11 of the 1999 Constitution, initiated the National Grazing Routes and Reserves Bill aimed at stemming the conflicts between herdsmen and local farmers and the Bill has passed Second Reading and undergone public hearings in both Chambers;

Resolves to:

(*i*) condemn unequivocally these killings by herdsmen and local farmers;

(*ii*) urge the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to convene a meeting of Stakeholders and Leaders of concerned ethnic groups on how to put an end to these killings.

BILLS

2. A Bill for an Act to Alter the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999, to Provide for the Office of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor for the Federal Capital City, Abuja and to Further Provide for Additional National Assembly Seats for the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja and for Matters Connected Thereto (HB. 188) and a Bill for an Act to Alter the Provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999, to Provide for the Office of Mayor of the Federal Capital Territory Administration, Abuja and for Other Matters Related Thereto (HB. 590) — *Second Reading*.

3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Limitation Act, Cap. L 522 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 in Relation to Litigations and Arbitrations that are instituted within the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 551) — *Second Reading*.

4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Universities Commission Act to make mandatory for immediate Issuance and Release of Certificates to Graduating Students in all Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria and for Other Matters Related Therewith (HB. 658) — *Second Reading*.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

5. **Committee on Justice:**
Hon. Ali Ahmad:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Justice on a Bill for an Act to Provide for the manner in which Individuals may in the Public Interest disclose Information that relates to Unlawful or Other Illegal Conduct or Corrupt Practices of Others; to Provide for Protection against Victimization of Persons who make these Disclosures, to Provide for a Fund to Reward Individuals who make the Disclosures and to Provide for Other Related Matters (HB. 82) and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid*: 22/5/2013).

6. **Committee on Housing and Habitat:**
Hon. Usman Adamu Mohammed:
"That this House do consider the Report of the Committee on Housing and Habitat on a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Enforcement of the National Building Code within the Federal Capital Territory; Provide for Punishment for Non-Compliance with the Code and for Related Matters (HB. 96) and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid*: 20/2/2013).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 22 January, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Petroleum Resources (Downstream)	Wednesday, 22 January, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 107 New Building (House) Assembly Complex