SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 20th May, 2014

1. The Senate met at 1:06 p.m. The Senate President read prayers.

2. **Closed Session:**
Closed Session — 1:08 p.m.

Extension of Time:
Motion made: That the Senate do sit this day beyond the time appointed for the termination of the Sitting of the Senate (Rule 13) (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Open Session — 1:51 p.m.

The Senate President reported that the Senate in a Closed Session deliberated on the Motion for an extension of the State of Emergency in Adamawa, Borno and Yobe States and agreed to approve the extension of State of Emergency in Adamawa, Borno and Yobe States in the Plenary.

3. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 15th May, 2014.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

4. **Announcement:**
Acknowledgment:
The Senate President acknowledged the presence of the following who were in the gallery to observe Senate Proceedings:

(*i*) Staff and Students of Doveland International School, Wuse 2, Abuja;

(*ii*) Staff and Students of Madonna Girls' Secondary School, Lafia, Nasarawa State;

(*iii*) Members of the National Association of Ondo State Students, University of Abuja, Abuja; and

(*iv*) Staff and Students of Knaps Academy, Lugbe, Abuja.

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5. Presentation of Bills:

(*i*) Transferred Officers and Pension Liability etc Act Cap T17 LFN 2011 (Repeal) Bill 2014 (SB. 478) — *Read the First Time.*

(*ii*) Servicom Office (Establishment, etc.) Bill 2014(SB. 479) — *Read the First Time.*

6. Motion:

***Extension of State of Emergency in Adamawa, Borno and Yobe States*:**

Motion made: That the Senate recalls that on Thursday, 7th November, 2013, the Senate considered and approved the extension of the period of the State of Emergency in Adamawa, Borno and Yobe States;

aware that by virtue of the provisions of Section 305 (6) (c) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), the proclamation will elapse after a period of six months from the date of approval, except the period is extended by the National Assembly;

further aware that the President, in a letter of 13th May, 2014, requested for a further extension of the period of the State of Emergency in Adamawa, Borno and Yobe States;

recognizing that the security situation in the three States remains daunting in the face of persistent attacks by members of the Boko Haram Sect on civilian and military targets with alarming casualty rates;

cognizant of the provision of Section 305 (6) (c) which states, inter alia:
"*Provided that the National Assembly may, before the expiration of the period of six months aforesaid, extend the period for the proclamation of the State of Emergency to remain in force from time-to-time for a further period of six months by resolution passed in like manner*"; and

recalled that the Service Chiefs; Director-General, State Security Service; and the Inspector-General of Police had briefed the Senate on the state of security in the affected States.

Accordingly resolved to:

(*i*) approve the extension of the Proclamation of a State of Emergency as contained in the Emergency Powers (General) Regulations, 2013 effective in Adamawa, Borno and Yobe States to remain in force for a further period of six months in accordance with the terms, conditions, content and context as earlier passed by the National Assembly;

(*ii*) welcome and endorse the support of the International Community in respect of efforts to rescue the abducted Chibok students and urge Mr. President to expand the co-operation and collaboration to the overall arrest of the ugly incidence of terrorism in Nigeria;

(*iii*) calls for proper kitting and arming of our Armed Forces deployed to arrest the insurgency and adequate welfare for troops;

(*iv*) urge that full military operation be undertaken on sustained basis to rout the insurgents;

(*v*) urge special recruitments into Armed Forces of screened and vetted youths particularly those in the Civilian JTF who will receive emergency training and deployed in the troubled zone in order to beef up the strength of our troops and win hearts and minds of the locals;

(*vi*) urge the Federal Government in conjunction with the State Governments to come up with an Economic Marshal Plan to revive the economies of the affected States. Federal Government to seek and secure Multi-lateral support for such Marshal Plan;

(*vii*) urge Mr President to direct the Ministers of Defence and Police Affairs; Service Chiefs; National Security Adviser; and Director-General, State Security Service to report to the Senate on monthly basis progress made in combating the insurgency on the basis of which Senate can take any decision it considers necessary including but not limited to the revocation of the declaration of State of Emergency;

(*viii*) urge Mr. President to prepare and submit to the National Assembly Supplementary Budget to meet any established financial requirements needed to combat the insurgency; and

(*ix*) urge Mr. President to approve immediate Emergency Intervention Fund to the affected States (*Senate Leader*).

Debate:

Proposed Resolution (i):
Question: That the Senate do approve the extension of the Proclamation of a State of Emergency as contained in the Emergency Powers (General) Regulations, 2013 effective in Adamawa, Borno and Yobe States to remain in force for a further period of six months in accordance with the terms, conditions, content and context as earlier passed by the National Assembly — *Agreed to, nemine contradicente (unanimous).*

Proposed Resolution (ii):
Question: That the Senate do welcome and endorse the support of the International Community in respect of efforts to rescue the abducted Chibok students and urge Mr. President to expand the co-operation and collaboration to the overall arrest of the ugly incidence of terrorism in Nigeria — *Agreed to, nemine contradicente (unanimous).*

Proposed Resolution (iii):
Question: That the Senate do calls for proper kitting and arming of our Armed Forces deployed to arrest the insurgency and adequate welfare for troops — *Agreed to, nemine contradicente (unanimous).*

Proposed Resolution (iv):
Question: That the Senate do urge that full military operation be undertaken on sustained basis to rout the insurgents — *Agreed to, nemine contradicente (unanimous).*

Proposed Resolution (v):
Question: That the Senate do urge special recruitments into Armed Forces of screened and vetted youths particularly those in the Civilian JTF who will receive emergency training and deployed in the troubled zone in order to beef up the strength of our troops and win hearts and minds of the locals — *Agreed to, nemine contradicente (unanimous).*

Proposed Resolution (vi):
Question: That the Senate do urge the Federal Government in conjunction with the State Governments to come up with an Economic Marshal Plan to revive the economies of the affected States. Federal Government to seek and secure Multi-lateral support for such Marshal Plan — *Agreed to, nemine contradicente (unanimous).*

Proposed Resolution (vii):
Question: That the Senate do urge Mr President to direct the Ministers of Defence and Police Affairs; Service Chiefs; National Security Adviser; and Director-General, State Security Service to report to the Senate on monthly basis progress made in combating the insurgency on the basis of which Senate can take any decision it considers necessary including but not limited to the revocation of the declaration of State of Emergency — *Agreed to, nemine contradicente (unanimous).*

Proposed Resolution (viii):
Question: That the Senate do urge Mr. President to prepare and submit to the National Assembly Supplementary Budget to meet any established financial requirements needed to combat the insurgency — *Agreed to, nemine contradicente (unanimous).*

Proposed Resolution (ix):
Question: That the Senate do urge Mr. President to approve immediate Emergency Intervention Fund to the affected States — *Agreed to, nemine contradicente (unanimous).*

SENATORS PRESENT

1. Abaribe, Enyinnaya Harcourt
2. Abatemi-Usman, Nurudeen
3. Abe, Magnus Ngei
4. Abu, Ibrahim
5. Adamu, Abdullahi
6. Adeniyi, Anthony A.
7. Adeseun, Ayoade Ademola
8. Adeyemi, Smart
9. Adeyeye, Olusola
10. Adokwe, Suleiman A.
11. Agboola, Hosea Ayoola
12. Ahmed, Barata Hassan
13. Ahmed, Mohammed Makarfi
14. Ahmed, Ningi Abdul
15. Akinyelure, Ayo P.
16. Akume, George
17. Alhassan, Aisha Jummai
18. Alkali, Saidu Ahmed
19. Anyanwu, Chris N. D.
20. Ayade, Benedict B.
21. Bagudu, Abubakar Atiku
22. Boroffice, Robert A.
23. Bwacha, Emmanuel G.
24. Chuba-Okadigbo Margery
25. Chukwumerije, Uche
26. Dahiru, Umaru
27. Dariye, Joshua Chibi
28. Ekweremadu, Ike
29. Emmanuel, Paulker I.
30. Enang, Ita Solomon J.
31. Etok, Aloysius Akpan
32. Ewuga, S. A. Solomon
33. Galaudu, Isa Mohammed
34. Gaya, Kabiru
35. Gemade, Barnabas A. I.
36. Gobir, Ibrahim Abdullahi
37. Goje, Mohammed D.
38. Gwarzo, Bello Hayatu
39. Hassan, Abdulmumini M.
40. Husain, Mudashiru Oyetunde
41. Igwe, Nwagu P.
42. Ikisikpo, Clever
43. Jajere, Alkali Abdulkadir

48. Kuta, Dahiru Awaisu
49. Lafiagi, Mohammed Shaaba
50. Lanlehin, Olufemi Akinola
51. Lar, Victor
52. Lawan, Ahmad Ibrahim
53. Lawan, manina Ma'agi
54. Lidani, Joshua M.
55. Lokpobiri, Heineken
56. Magoro, Mohammed
57. Manager, James Ebiowou
58. Marafa, Kabir Garba
59. Mohammed, Basheer Garba
60. Musa, Ibrahim
61. Ndoma-Egba, Victor
62. Ndume, Mohammed Ali
63. Ngige, Chris N.
64. Nnaji, Gilbert
65. Nwagwu, Matthew Ifeanyi
66. Nwankwo, Christopher C.
67. Nwaogu, Nkechi J.
68. Obende, Domingo A.
69. Ogbuoji, Sunny O.
70. Ojudu, Babafemi
71. Okowa, Ifeanyi Arthur
72. Omoworare, Babajide C.
73. Otu, Bassey Edet
74. Sankara Danladi Abdullahi
75. Saraki, Abubakar O.
76. Sekibo, George Thompson
77. Sirika, Hadi Abubakar
78. Solomon, Ganiyu Olanrewaju
79. Tanimu, Philip Aduda
80. Tinubu, Oluremi
81. Tukur, Bello Mohammad
82. Uba, Andy E.
83. Ugbesia, Odion M.
84. Usman, Abdul'aziz
85. Uzamere, Ehigie E.
86. Uzodimma, Hope O.
87. Yar'adua A. Sadiq
88. Zanna, Ahmed

ABSENT

1. Adetumbi, Olubunmi A.
2. Aguariavwodo Edesiri Emmanuel
3. Ajibola, Simeon S.
4. Ake, Wilson Asinobi
5. Ali, Aidoko Atai
6. Ashafa, Bareehu Olugbenga

7. Esuene, Helen U.
8. Eze, Ayogu
9. Garba, Gamawa Babayo
10. Gumba, Adamu I.
11. Ibrahim, Bukar Abba
12. Maccido, Muhammad Ahmad
13. Obadara, Olugbenga Onaolapo
14. Odunsi, Kamar Akin Babalola
15. Pwajok, Gyang Nyam Shom
16. Saleh, Mohammed Sani
17. Sani, Ahmad Rufa'i
18. Umar, Abubakar Tutare
19. Usman, Nenadi Esther
20. Ya'u, Sahabi Alhaji

Present — 88

Absent — 20

Total — 108

Resolved.
That the Senate do:

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(iii) urge Mr. President to approve immediate Emergency Intervention Fund to the affected States ***(S/Res/043/03/14)***.

7. Chemical Weapons Authority Bill 2014 (SB. 287):

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

8. Committee on Federal Character and Inter-Governmental Affairs:
Report on the screening of nominee:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

9. Committee on Capital Market:
Report on the Chartered Institute of Securities and Investment Bill 2014 (SB. 06):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

10. Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development:
Report on the Animal Health and Husbandry Technologists (Registration, etc) Bill 2014 (SB.161):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

11. Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters:
Report on the Corporate Manslaughter Bill 2014 (SB. 206):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

12. Committee on Drugs, Narcotics, Financial Crimes and Anti-Corruption:
Report on the Nigeria Financial Intelligence Centre Bill 2014 (SB. 292 and SB. 358):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

13. Adjournment:
And it being 2:12 p.m. the Senate President adjourned the Senate till Wednesday, 21st May, 2014 at 10.00 a.m.

Adjourned accordingly at 2:12 p.m.

Dr. David A. B. Mark, GCON, fnim
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.