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FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 28 May, 2014

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PRESENTATION OF BILL

Electoral Act (Amendment) Bill, 2014 (HB. 718) (*Hon. Daniel Reyenieju and 5 Others*) — *First Reading*.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. **Alleged Dumping of 469 Tons of Toxic Waste Materials by Nigerian Agip Oil Company (NAOC) in Ndokwa East Local Government Area of Delta State:**
Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai:

The House:

Notes the reported dumping of about 469 tons of toxic waste materials by Nigerian Agip Oil Company (NAOC) along the roads and residential areas in Aboh, Oloa-Ogwashi, Ukwu-Oba, Isheagu, Ossissa, Obikwele and Igbuku communities of Delta State;

Recalls a similar incident in October 2012, when Nigerian Agip Oil Company (NAOC) dumped 30 drums of toxic crude oil sludge into the mangrove of Sabatoru-Etiama axis in Nembe kingdom of Bayelsa State while carrying out the replacement of its obsolete pipelines;

Also recalls that in January 2009, some drums of harmful wastes were discovered by the police in Ikorodu, a suburb of Lagos, and no fewer than 8 persons involved in the evacuation of the deadly wastes were hospitalized after inhaling it;

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Further recalls the 1988 case of one Sunday Nana of Iruekpen Construction Company in Koko, near Warri, Delta State, who reportedly died as a result of the health hazards he and others suffered from a consignment of 18,000 drums (3,500 tons) of toxic wastes shipped to him for a paltry reward of $100 a month;

Observes that the Nigerian Agip Oil Company (NAOC) and other International Oil Companies (IOCs) operating in the country appear to have developed the practice of dumping toxic waste materials in remote communities and swamps, thereby endangering human health and the environment;

Aware that toxic waste materials are harmful to human health, fauna and flora, cause cancer, abortion, kidney failure, deformities, distortions in body chemistry, blindness and gastro-intestinal imbalance, amongst other diseases and problems associated with toxic waste and radioactive materials which result in slow death;

Worried that the practice of dumping toxic waste materials in Nigeria is in violation of the Harmful Wastes (Special Criminal Provisions) Act, 1988 as well as the National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency (NESREA) Act of 2007, and more importantly, sections 33 (1) and 34 (1) (*a*) of the 1999 Constitution (as amended) which, respectively guarantees the rights to life and the dignity of the human person;

Resolves to:

Constitute an *Ad-hoc* Committee to investigate the alleged dumping of toxic waste materials by the Nigerian Agip Oil Company and its business Associates, in Aboh, Oloa-Ogwashi, Ukwu-Oba, Isheagu, Ossissa, Obikwele, Igbuku and some other communities in Delta State, and report back to the House within two (2) weeks.

2. Need to Investigate the Issue of Nigerian Children who are not Attending School:

Hon. Beni Lar
Hon. Simon Yakubu Arabo
Hon. Emmanuel Goar
Hon. Innocent Tirsel
Hon. Suleiman Kwande
Hon. Uche Ekwunife
Hon. Rose Oko Okoji
Hon. Nnenna Elendu-Ukeje
Hon. Jonathan Aminu
Hon. Mwadkwon Simon Davou
Hon. Ismail Ahmed Gadaka
Hon. Ahmed Idris
Hon. Bitrus Kaze

The House:

Notes that education is the basic right of all children given that section 18 (3) of the 1999 Constitution enjoins Government to eradicate illiteracy and when practicable, provide:

(*a*) Free, compulsory and universal primary education,

(*b*) Free secondary education,

(*c*) Free university education, and

(*d*) Free adult literacy programme;

Also notes that the number of Nigerian children who are not attending school is increasing at an alarming rate;

Further notes a report in the Daily Trust Newspaper of June 12, 2013 where the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) asserted that Nigeria has 10.5 million children who are not attending school, which amounts to 47% of such children globally;

Concerned that the report is an indictment on the political leadership of the country as there has not been any improvement in the enrolment of children into schools despite the huge sums allocated annually to education; even the Hon. Minister of Education recently admitted that one out of every three children in the Northern part of the country is not attending school;

Worried that this huge number of children not attending school portends a grave danger to the growth prospects of the country and if the trend is not urgently reversed, would jeopardize the future of these children who could thereby resort to crime;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Education to investigate the matter and report back to the House within one month.

BILLS

3. A Bill for an Act to make Health care Services Free for all Children in Nigeria and for Other Matters Connected Thereto (HB. 644) (*Hon. Sunday Adeyemi Adepoju*) — *Second Reading*.

4. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal Capital Territory Security Trust Fund to provide adequate Funding for Security of lives and Property in the Federal Capital Territory and for Other Connected Purposes (HB. 533) (*Hon. Tajudeen Ayo Yusuf*) — *Second Reading*.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 28 May, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Banking and Currency (*Investigative Hearing on Discriminatory Policy of certain Commercial Banks on Real Estate/Assets located in selected cities/towns and locations as acceptable Collateral* (***HR.* 61/2013**))	Wednesday, 28 May, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 107 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Power	Wednesday, 28 May, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 019 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Control (*HIV/AIDS Anti-Discrimination Bill*)	Wednesday, 28 May, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 224 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Public Petitions (*Investigative Hearing*)	Wednesday, 28 May, 2014	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 New Building (House) Assembly Complex