HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 8 July, 2014

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PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Committees on Rules and Business and Justice:
Hon. A. T. Sam-Tsokwa:
"That the House do receive the Report on the Advice of the Committees on Rules and Business, and Justice on a Matter of Privilege raised by Hon. Leo Ogor on the issue of Minority Leadership in the House" (*Referred*: 3/ 6/2014).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. **Institutionalization of the African Legislative Forum:**
Hon. Albert T. Sam-Tsokwa **Hon. Sunday Adepoju** **Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta**
Hon. Ismail Ina Hassan **Hon. David E. Ombugadu** **Hon. Murtala K. A. Busari**
Hon. Kenneth Chikere **Hon. Gambo M. Dan-Musa** **Hon. Ajibola Muraina**
Hon. Aminu Musa Koko **Hon. Ali Ahmad** **Hon. Aiyedun Akeem Olayinka**
Hon. Yusuf Sale Dinari **Hon. Mahmud Abubakar** **Hon. Baba Bukur Machina**
Hon. Monguno Mohammed **Hon. Moshood Bakare** **Hon. Jide Akinloye**
Hon. Patrick Ikhariale **Hon. Ben Nwankwo** **Hon. Linus Okorie**
Hon. Emmanuel Udende:

The House:

Recalls that the 1st African Legislative Summit which was held at the International Conference Centre, Abuja from 10th - 13th November, 2013 was a huge success;

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Observes that the main objective of the Summit is to create an opportunity for participants to share practical experiences and brainstorm on new ideas, concepts, techniques and tools of modern management and administration of legislative institutions and practices;

Concerned that the laudable gains of the Summit may fizzle out if concrete structures are not put in place to build on the successes, hence the Special Meeting of the Heads of Delegation and Summit participants endorsed the proposal to institutionalize the Summit as a "Forum";

Acknowledges the existence of legally constituted parliamentary bodies in Africa but identifies a gap in the extent of interactions with governance actors, hence the need for a platform whose focus, methodology and participation will widen and enhance the scope of interaction among parliaments and other governance actors through an agreed collaborative framework that will compliment the work of other parliamentary bodies with the overall objective of deepening democracy in the continent;

Notes that the National Institute for Legislative Studies (NILS), Abuja was mandated by the Meeting of Heads of Delegation to coordinate and facilitate the national level consultations with all African Inter-parliamentary organizations at the continental, regional and sub-regional levels and to prepare a detailed conceptual note on institutionalization of the proposed African Legislative Forum;

Further notes that a memorandum on the institutionalization of the Forum with a permanent secretariat at the National Institute for Legislative Studies (NILS), Abuja has been forwarded to Heads of African Parliaments to secure the endorsement of the plan by respective National Parliaments;

Mindful of the existence of other parliamentary bodies in the continent, the proposed institutionalization of the Summit does not seek to rival any existing parliamentary body in Africa or create any legal framework for the establishment of any such body, but only seeks to put measures in place to ensure continued organization of the Forum to sustain its laudable goals and to synergize with other parliamentary bodies;

Convinced that institutionalization of the Forum is a potential platform for regular interaction and exchange of ideas at the continental level and will create an enabling environment for African legislatures to engage other stakeholders in order to enhance, on a sustained basis, the capacity of legislators to take leadership role in deepening democracy and good governance in Africa;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Receive the memorandum forwarded to the Heads of African Parliaments on the institutionalization of the African Legislative Forum;

(*ii*) Support the institutionalization of the Forum and its structures to ensure its continuous existence and organization to enable the Forum complement the activities of existing parliamentary bodies by enhancing parliament-civil society engagement through agreed collaborative frame work; and

(*iii*) Urge the House to consider and approve the memorandum.

2. Need for Proactive Measures by the Nigerian Customs Service (NCS) to check the activities of Economic Saboteurs in the Country:
Hon. Odebunmi Olusegun Dokun:

The House:

Notes that the Transformation Agenda of the Federal Government includes the optimization of the production level of local industries by prohibiting the importation of certain categories of products that compete with those of local industries producing similar products;

Further notes that this Policy is meant to strengthen the nation's economy in line with global economic practices and the Nigerian Customs Service has a major role to play in the enforcement of the Policy;

Aware that the Federal Government had rejected an offer from the Government of Malaysia to allow the country export palm oil to Nigeria;

Disturbed that Nigeria's borders have become so porous that palm oil and other consumables are easily smuggled into Nigeria through the neighboring countries, thus affecting the marketability of locally produced palm oil and other consumables;

Further disturbed that the rate at which rice and other food items are being smuggled into the country through various borders is so high that Nigeria has lost much revenue as a result of the compromising activities of certain Customs Officers;

Worried that not much is being done by the Nigerian Customs Service to curb the activities of the smugglers and the sale of prohibited goods within the country;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Customs to liaise with the Nigerian Customs Service (NCS), to work out modalities to curb the activities of smugglers and report back to the House within 4 weeks.

BILLS

3. A Bill for an Act to Provide a Framework for the Regulation, Development and Management of a National Health System and set Standards for rendering Health Services in the Federation and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB.301) — *Third Reading*.

4. A Bill for an Act to Authorize the issue from the Statutory Revenue Fund of the Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) the total sum of ₦54,443,067,000 (Fifty-Four Billion, Four Hundred and Forty-Three Million, and Sixty-Seven Thousand Naira) only, of which the sum of ₦14,823,226,000 (Fourteen Billion, Eight Hundred and Twenty-Three Million, Two Hundred and Twenty-Six Thousand Naira) only, is for Recurrent Expenditure, the sum of ₦7,359,320,000 (Seven Billion, Three Hundred and Fifty-Nine Million, Three Hundred and Twenty Thousand Naira) only, is for transfer to the Federal Government of Nigeria, the sum of ₦8,400,000,000 (Eight Billion, Four Hundred Million Naira) only, is for transfer to Universal Service Fund, an additional sum of ₦8,012,778,000 (Eight Billion, Twelve Million, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Eight Thousand Naira) only, is expected to be transferred from reserves, while the balance of ₦15,847,743,000 (Fifteen Billion, Eight Hundred and Forty-Seven Million, Seven Hundred and Forty-Three Thousand Naira) only, is for Capital and Special Projects for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2014 (HB. 734) 2014 (*Hon. Mulikat Akande -Adeola*) — *Second Reading*.

5. A Bill for an Act to Further Amend the Electoral Act, No. 6, 2010 to ensure a level playing field for all participants in the Electoral Process and for a more Transparent Process of conducting Elections in Nigeria and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 718) (*Hon. Daniel Reyenieju*) (*Adjourned Debate*: 3/7/2014) — *Second Reading*.

6. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Family Economic Advancement Programme Act, Cap. P3, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (HB. 708) (*Hon. Ali Ahmad*) — *Second Reading*.

7. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Family Support Trust Fund Act, Cap. F4, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (HB. 709) (*Hon. Ali Ahmad*) — *Second Reading*.

8. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the People's Bank of Nigeria Act, Cap. P7, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (HB. 710) (*Hon. Ali Ahmad*) — *Second Reading*.

9. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigerian Industrial Development Bank (Guarantee) Act, Cap. N111, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (HB. 711) (*Hon. Ali Ahmad*) — *Second Reading*.

10. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigerian Bank for Commerce and Industry Act, Cap. N92, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 (HB. 712) (*Hon. Ali Ahmad*) — *Second Reading*.

11. A Bill for an act to Amend the Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission Act, Cap. R7, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 by giving the Commission more power(s) to make its funding Independent in order to allow it perform its Statutory Function(s) as required by Law; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 636) (*Hon. Abdulrahman Abba Terab*), and a Bill for an Act to amend the Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission Act, Cap. R7, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make Provision for sanctions to punish erring Revenue Generating Agencies, to enhance the Revenue Profile and remittance into the Federation Account, to facilitate National Development and for Other Related Matters (HB. 704) (*Hon. Abbas Tajudeen*) — *Second Reading*.

12. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Capital Territory Act, Cap. F 6, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to amend the definition of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja (HB. 620) (*Hon. Onawo Mohammed Ogoshi*) — *Second Reading*.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

13. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Management of Biosafety and for Other Related Matters (*Committee of Whole*: 19/3/2014).

14. **Committees on Commerce and Labour, Employment and Productivity:**
Hon. Sylvester Ogbaga:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committees on Commerce and Labour, Employment and Productivity on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerian Institute of Social Work to Regulate the Practice of Professional Social Work in Nigeria; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 365) and approve the Recommendations therein" (*Laid*: 31/10/2013).

15. **Committee on Customs and Excise:**
Hon. Sabo Moh'd Nakudu:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Customs and Excise on the Urgent Need to call on the Federal Government to Implement the New Rice Duty Regime" (*Laid*: 4/6/2014):

(*i*) That the Agreement of November 21, 2013 between the Federal Government and the Rice Millers, Importers and Distributors Association of Nigeria (RIMIDAN) be implemented with review as agreed by the parties;

(*ii*) that the Federal Government should further stimulate local farming and local food production for socio-economic development of the nation;

(*iii*) that the Federal Ministry of Agriculture be allowed to control rice levy fund and same should be deployed strictly for development of rice infrastructure and improvement of local rice production;

(*iv*) that stable ground for rice investment be provided to grow local capacity to displace imports by eliminating tariff manipulations and other abuses, such as smuggling and corruption;

(*v*) that the Federal Government should allocate the short-fall of rice required to be imported to those who have made substantial investments on backward integration into local rice production.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 8 July, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Banking and Currency (*Public Hearing*)	Tuesday, 8 July, 2014	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 231 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Health	Tuesday, 8 July, 2014	1.30 p.m.	Committee Room 236 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	National Planning and Economic Development	Tuesday, 8 July, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 460 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Foreign Affairs	Tuesday, 8 July, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 411 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	Aviation	Tuesday, 8 July, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 028 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	Education	Tuesday, 8 July, 2014	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 019 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
8.	Federal Character (*with Federal Polytechnic, Ilaro, Federal Polytechnic, Birnin-Kebbi, Abuja Investment Company, Abuja Environmental Protection Board*)	Tuesday, 8 July, 2014	1.30 p.m.	Committee Room 247 New Building (House) Assembly Complex