SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 26th November, 2014

1. The Senate met at 10:54 a.m. The Senate President read prayers.

2. Votes and Proceedings:
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 25th November, 2014.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. Announcements:

(i) Birthday Invitation:

The 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

November 24, 2014.

His Excellency, Sen. David Mark GCON
Senate President
Federal Republic of Nigeria
Three Arms zone, Abuja.

My dear brother,

60th Birthday Celebration: Letter of Invitation.

December 1, 2014 will be the 60th Birthday of my wife, Her Excellency, Regina Akume, JP and I am so thankful to the Lord for giving her such a long and happy life.

To mark the joyous occasion, we have a schedule of events as follows:

Sunday, November 30, 2014: Thanksgiving Service at St. Dominic's Catholic Mission, Sachi, Terwase Agbadu Road, Judges Quarters, Makurdi by 8:30 a m. There will be reception after the Church service at College of Health Sciences Auditorium, Benue State University, Makurdi.

My family and I will be happy to see you and other Distinguished Senators at the celebration. Turning 60 is something that is not enjoyed by most people and we want to thank God for his abundant blessings, goodwill and protection in our lives.

I hope you will find time to attend the birthday celebration.

While counting on your kind consideration, do accept the assurances of my highest regards.

(Signed)
Senator George Akume
Senate Minority Leader

(ii) Acknowledgment:
The Senate President acknowledged the presence of the Staff and Students of Usiju International School, Mararaba Gurku, Nasarawa State who were in the gallery to observe Senate Proceedings.

4. Breach of Security at the National Assembly Complex:
Motion made: That the Senate do consider and condemn the breach of security, privilege and sanctity of the premises and precincts of the National Assembly on Thursday, 20th November, 2014 occasioned by the presence of heavy security operatives; and constitute an *Ad-Hoc* Committee to look into the matter and report to the Senate within one week (*Senate Leader*).

Debate:

Proposed Resolution:
Question: That the Senate do consider and condemn the breach of security, privilege and sanctity of the premises and precincts of the National Assembly on Thursday, 20th November, 2014 occasioned by the presence of heavy security operatives; and constitute an *Ad-Hoc* Committee to look into the matter and report to the Senate within one week — *Agreed to.*

Resolved:
That the Senate do consider and condemn the breach of security, privilege and sanctity of the premises and precincts of the National Assembly on Thursday, 20th November, 2014 occasioned by the presence of heavy security operatives; and constitute an *Ad-Hoc* Committee to look into the matter and report to the Senate within one week ***(S/Res/012/04/14).***

Ad-hoc Committee was accordingly constituted to investigate the matter.

The Senate President named the following Senators as members of the Ad-hoc Committee:

(*i*)	Senator Ahmed M. Makarfi	—	Chairman
(*ii*)	Senator Abubakar A. Bagudu	—	Member
(*iii*)	Senator Victor Lar	—	Member
(*iv*)	Senator Adegbenga S. Kaka	—	Member
(*v*)	Senator Paulinus N. Igwe	—	Member
(*vi*)	Senator Jibrila M. Bindowo	—	Member
(*vii*)	Senator Ehigie E. Uzamere	—	Member

5. Standards Organisation of Nigeria Act CAP S9 LFN 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill 2014 (HB. 153):

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

6. Standards Organisation of Nigeria Act CAP S9 LFN 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill 2014 (SB. 394):

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

7. Joint Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development; and Science and Technology: ***Report on the National Biosafety Management Agency (Establishment, etc.) Bill 2014 (SB. 308):***

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

8. Committee on Establishment and Public Services: ***Report on the Chartered Institute of Certified Secretaries and Reporters (Establishment, etc.) Bill 2014 (SB. 117):***

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

9. Adjournment:
Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Tuesday, 2nd December, 2014 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 12.56 *p.m.*

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