HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 14 January, 2015

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PRESENTATION OF BILL

Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) Statutory Appropriation Bill, 2015 (HB. 766) (*Executive*) — *First Reading*.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Report on the Petition by "Say No" Campaign Organization:
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by "Say No" Campaign Organization against the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) on alleged extortion of ₦4,000 from Prospective Corps Members" (*Referred*: 24/9/2014)

2. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Report on the Petition by Tornado International Associates Limited:
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Tornado International Associates Limited against Nigerian Agip Oil Company Limited on alleged illegal termination of contract" (*Referred*: 16/7/2013).

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3. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
Report on the Petition by Jibril Usman (SO) JSO 0831:
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Jibril Usman (SO) JSO 0831 against the Director-General of the State Security Service on alleged exclusion from reinstatement" (*Referred*: 12/12/2012).

4. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report on the Petition by Prof. Chibuike Uche*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Prof. Chibuike Uche against the University of Nigeria, Nsukka on alleged attempt by the University to subvert justice" (*Referred*: 10/7/2014).

5. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report on the Petition by RC Dunah Ali Istifanus*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by RC Dunah Ali Istifanus against the Federal Road Safety Commission on alleged wrongful termination of appointment" (*Referred*: 6/11/2013).

6. **Committee on Public Petitions:**
***Report on the Petition by Asoloko Jonathan*:**
Hon. Uzo Azubuike:
"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Asoloko Jonathan against the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) on alleged wrongful retirement from service" (*Referred*: 31/10/2013).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

1. **Receipt and Adoption of the Conference Committee Report on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Act, Cap. N88, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide Social Security to all Eligible Citizens of Nigeria who are Ordinarily Resident in Nigeria, whether Employed in the Private or Public Sector, Unemployed and Aged Without Discrimination and for Other Related Matters (HB. 286):**
Hon. Essien Ekpenyong Ayi:

The House:

Notes that the Nigerian Social Insurance Trust Fund (Social Security Amendment) Bill, 2012, was passed by the House on Thursday, 31 October, 2013 and transmitted to the Senate for concurrence;

The Senate passed same with some differences;

The two Chambers met in Conference on Wednesday, 19 November, 2014 and adopted a harmonized version of the Bill;

A clean copy of the Conference Report is ready for receipt and adoption;

And in view of the importance of this Bill to the provision of Social Security in Nigeria;

Resolves to:

Receive and Adopt the Conference Report on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Act, Cap N88, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide Social Security to all Eligible Citizens of Nigeria who are Ordinarily Resident in Nigeria, whether Employed in the Private or Public Sector, Unemployed and Aged without Discrimination and for Other Related Matters (HB. 286).

2. **Receipt and Adoption of the Conference Committee Report on a Bill for an Act to provide for the Establishment of the Federal Capital Territory Internal Revenue Service charged with powers of assessment, collection of and accounting for revenues accruable to the Federal Capital Territory; and for Other related Matters:**

Hon. Emmanuel Jime:

The House:

Notes that the Federal Capital Territory Board of Internal Revenue Bill, 2014 was passed by the House on Thursday, 18 September, 2014 and transmitted to the Senate for concurrence;

The Senate passed same with some differences;

The two Chambers met in Conference on Thursday, 20 November, 2014 and adopted a harmonized version of the Bill;

A clean copy of the Conference Report is ready for receipt and adoption;

And in view of the importance of this Bill to the enhancement of the Internal Revenue Service of the Federal Capital Territory;

Resolves to:

Receive and Adopt the Conference Report on a Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the Federal Capital Territory Internal Revenue Service charged with powers of assessment, collection of and accounting for revenues accruable to the Federal Capital Territory; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 147).

3. **Urgent Need for the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to ensure that all Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) exercise their Franchise in the 2015 General Elections:**
Hon. Mohammed Tahir Munguno:

The House:

Notes the on-going activities of the Boko Haram sect in the North East, the Ombatse uprising in Nasarawa State, other uprisings of various kinds in some parts of Nigeria and the 2013 flooding which rendered many Nigerians homeless. Consequently, a great number of the voting population were displaced and are being accommodated in various refugee camps across the country;

Aware that the 2015 general elections are around the corner as the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) had fixed the 14th and 28th of February, 2015 for the elections to the Office of President and Members of the National Assembly and, Governors and Members of the State Houses of Assembly respectively;

Concerned that if the 2015 elections are to be conducted in the North East and other areas affected by one communal uprising or the other, many voters would be disenfranchised because the affected areas have been deserted as the people have spread across the country in different refugee camps as Internally Displaced Persons (IPDs);

Cognizant of the provisions of section 15 (*a*), item F of the Third Schedule to the 1999 Constitution (as amended), which empowers the Independent National Electoral Commission to —

> "*Organize, undertake and supervise all elections to the offices of the President and Vice President, the Governor and Deputy Governor, and to the membership of the Senate, the House of Representatives and the House of Assembly of each State of the Federation*";

Convinced that, by virtue of section 15 (*a*), item F of the third Schedule to the 1999 Constitution (as amended), the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) must ensure that every registered voter in Nigeria exercises his or her franchise, including the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs);

Resolves to:

Concur with the Senate Resolution No: (S/Res/013/04/14) dated 16 December, 2014 to wit: Urge the Independent National Electoral Commission(INEC) to employ all administrative means to ensure that all Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) exercise their franchise.

4. **Need to Investigate the Expenditure of a huge sum of ₦3.4 Billion Monthly on payment of Salaries to Staff of the Moribund Ajaokuta Steel Company:**
Hon. Abbas Tajuddeen:

The House:

Notes that Ajaokuta Steel Company which was commissioned in 1983, was billed to be the largest Steel Company in Africa accounting for 70 percent of the world Steel production;

Also notes with concern the report in the Daily Trust Newspaper of Monday, September 1, 2014 which quoted the Chairman of Assets Management Corporation of Nigeria (AMCON), Aliyu Kola Belgore, that the sum of ₦3.4 Billion is being spent monthly on payment of salaries to staff of the Moribund Company;

Further notes that despite the fact that the company was conceived and built with the aim of its facilitating the industrialization and economic transformation of the country, it has failed to fulfill that expectation, hence the engagement of consultants from the United States of America and India under technical management contracts for ten (10) years respectively;

Equally notes with surprise the report in Blue Print of September 5, 2014, where the Iron and Steel Senior Staff Association of Nigeria (ISSSAN), in conjunction with Engineering Workers Union of Nigeria (EWUN) addressed a press conference claiming that the monthly wage bill for the 2,900 staff of the Company is actually ₦288 Million and not the sum of ₦3.4 Billion as alleged;

Conscious of the provisions of section 88 (2) (*b*) of the 1999 Constitution which empowers the National Assembly to direct or cause to be directed an investigation aimed at exposing corruption, inefficiency or waste in the administration of funds appropriated by it;

Desirous of the need for legislative intervention to complement the efforts of the Federal Government to revive the Company and bring it back to a functional state.

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committees on Industry and Commerce to investigate the claim and the current developments in the company and report to the House within two weeks.

BILLS

5. A Bill for an Act to Authorize the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of ₦4,357,960,000,000 (Four Trillion, Three Hundred and Fifty Seven Billion, Nine Hundred and Sixty Million Naira) only, of which, ₦411,840,000,000 (Four Hundred and Eleven Billion, Eight Hundred and Forty Million Naira) only is for Statutory Transfers, ₦943,000,000,000 (Nine Hundred and Forty-Three Billion Naira) only is for Debt Service, ₦2,616,007,426,233 (Two Trillion, Six Hundred and Sixteen Billion, Seven Million, Four Hundred and Twenty-Six Thousand, Two Hundred and Thirty-Three Naira) only, is for Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the balance of ₦387,112,573.767 (Three Hundred and Eighty Seven Billion, One Hundred and Twelve Million, Five Hundred and Seventy-Three Thousand, Seven Hundred and Sixty-Seven Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for Capital Expenditure for the year ending on the 31st day of December, 2015 (HB. 765) (*Hon. Mulikat Akande- Adeola*) — *Second Reading* (*First Allotted Day*).

6. A Bill for an Act to Authorize the issue from the Statutory Revenue Fund of the Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) the total sum of ₦59,258,397,000 (Fifty-Nine Billion, Two Hundred and Fifty-Eight Million, Three Hundred and Ninety-Seven Thousand Naira) only, of which, ₦16,242,056,000 (Sixteen Billion, Two Hundred and Forty-Two Million, and Fifty-Six Thousand Naira) only, is for Recurrent Expenditure, ₦10,978,187,000 (Ten Billion, Nine Hundred and Seventy-Eight Million, One Hundred and Eighty-Seven Thousand Naira) only, is for Transfer to the Federal Government of Nigeria, ₦8,682,751,000 (Eight Billion, Six Hundred and Eighty-Two Million, Seven Hundred and Fifty-One Thousand Naira) only, is for Transfer to Universal Service Fund, while the Balance of ₦21,175,403,000 (Twenty-One Billion, One Hundred and Seventy-Five Million, Four Hundred and Three Thousand Naira) only, is for Capital and Special Projects for the Year Ending on the 31st Day of December, 2015 (*Hon. Mulikat Akande- Adeola*) — *Second Reading*.

7. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Miscellaneous Offences Act, Cap. M17, LFN, 2004 to make Comprehensive Provisions for Miscellaneous Offences, Abolish life Sentence for Miscellaneous Offences and for Other Related Matters (HB. 330) (*Hon. Aliyu Sani Madaki*); and a Bill for an Act to Amend the Miscellaneous Offences Act, Cap. M17, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to abolish life imprisonment and create more Offences to curb Oil Theft; and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 532) (*Hon. Tajudeen Ayo Yusuf*) — *Second Reading*.

8. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the Government Accountability Department and to Institutionalize Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement in Governance and Implementation of the policies of the Federal Government of Nigeria; and for Other Connected Purposes (HB. 611) (*Hon. Ben Nwankwo*) — *Second Reading*.

9. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigeria Sovereign Investment Authority (Establishment, etc.) Act, 2011 to align it with the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Restore the Sovereignty of the Naira as the National Currency, ensure transparency of its funding and entrench Parliamentary accountability and for Other Matters Connected Therewith (HB. 671) - (*Hon. Rose Oko*) — *Second Reading*.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

10. **Committee on Electoral Matters:**
Hon. Jerry Manwe:
"That the House do Resume consideration of the Report of the Committee on Electoral Matters on a Bill for an Act to further amend the Electoral Act, No. 6 of 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) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Adjourned Consideration*: 30/9/2014).

11. **Committee on Banking and Currency:**
Hon. Jones Onyereri:
"That the House do Resume Consideration of the Report of the Committee on Banking and Currency on a Bill for an Act to Amend Sections 2, 16 (5), 34 (1) and (2), 35, 46 (2), 48, 60, 61 and 62 of the Assets Management Corporation of Nigeria Act, 2010 (HB. 531) (*Adjourned consideration*: 23/10/2014).

12. **Committees on Commerce and Labour, Employment and Productivity:**
Hon. Sylvester Ogbaga:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committees on Commerce and Labor, 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).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Wednesday, 14 January, 2015	2.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 Assembly Complex
2.	Foreign Affairs (*with Hon. Minister of Foreign Affairs*)	Wednesday, 14 January, 2015	1.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex