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Wednesday, 27 January, 2016

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1. Nigerian Petroleum Industry Bill, 2015 (HB. 336) (*Hon. Daniel Reyenieju and* 14 *Others*) — *First Reading*.

2. National Programme on Immunization Act (Repeal) Bill, 2016 (HB. 362) (*Hon. Dickson Tarkighir*) — *First Reading*.

3. Pre-Shipment Inspection of Export Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 363) (*Hon. Abdullahi Umar Faruk*) — *First Reading*.

4. Pharmacists Council of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 364) (*Hon. Ahman Pategi*) — *First Reading*.

5. Casino Taxation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 365) (*Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok*) — *First Reading*.

6. Survey Co-ordination Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 366) (*Hon. Muhammed Usman*) — *First Reading*.

7. Surveyors Registration Council of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 367) (*Hon. Gyang Istifanus Dung*) — *First Reading*.

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8. Trade Malpractices Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 368) (*Hon. Elijah Olu Adekunle*) — *First Reading*.

9. Harmful Waste (Special Criminal Provisions, etc.) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 369) (*Hon. Razak Atunwa*) — *First Reading*.

10. Teachers Registration Council Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 370) (*Hon. Michael Effiong*) — *First Reading*.

11. Sales of Goods Act (Repeal) Bill, 2016 (HB. 371) (*Hon. Lawal Abubakar Garba*) — *First Reading*.

12. National Postgraduate College of Physiotherapy (Establishment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 372) (*Hon. Abubakar Ahmad Yunusa*) — *First Reading*.

13. Examination Malpractices Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 373) (*Hon. Aminu Suleiman*) — *First Reading*.

14. Electronic Transactions Bill, 2016 (HB. 374) (*Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta*) — *First Reading*.

15. Chartered Institute of Management Accountants of Nigeria Bill, 2016 (HB. 375) (*Hon. Yusuf Ayo Tajudeen*) — *First Reading*.

16. Federal Capital Territory Education Resources Center Bill, 2016 (HB. 376) (*Hon. Zephaniah Jisalo*) — *First Reading*.

17. National Assembly Budget and Research Office (Establishment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 377) (*Hon. GoluTimothy and 22 Others*) — *First Reading*.

18. Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2016 (HB. 378) (*Hon. Omoregie Ogbeide-Ihama*) — *First Reading*.

19. Explosives Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 379) (*Hon. Gideon Gwani*) — *First Reading*.

20. Nigerian Social Insurance Trust Fund Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (HB. 380) (*Hon. Ekpenyong Essien Ayi*) — *First Reading*.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Committees on Diaspora, and Foreign Affairs:
Hon. Rita Orji:
"That the House do receive the Report of the Committees on Diaspora, and Foreign Affairs on the Issues and Challenges Surrounding 29,000 Nigerians Tagged for Deportation from the United Kingdom (**HR. 159/2015**) (*Referred*: 29/10/2015).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. ***Ad-hoc* Committee on the Looming Dispute in the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment:**
Hon. Aminu Suleiman:
"That the House do consider the Report of the *Ad-hoc* Committee on the Looming Dispute in the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 17/12/2015):

That the Looming dispute has been resolved and the impending strike action averted.

2. Committee on Public Petitions:
Report on the Petition byAugustine Martins Okolie:
Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Augustine Martins Okolie against the National Pension Commission (PENCOM) and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid* 17/12/2015):

That the Prayer of the petitioner be discountenanced for lack of merit.

3. Committee on Public Petitions:
Report on the Petition byWudil S. S.:
Hon. Uzoma Nkem-Abonta:
"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Wudil S. S. on alleged unlawful dismissal from the services of the Nigerian Customs Service and approve the recommendation therein" (*Laid*: 9/12/2015):

That the dismissal of the petitioner be upheld as his petition lacks merit.

MOTIONS

4. Call for Rehabilitation of Rumukwurushi/Igboh Etche/Chokoche/Uzuzu Road:
Hon. Jerome Amadi Eke:

The House:

Notes that the Rumukwurushi/Igboh Etche/Chokoche Road, which is of vital economic and social importance to the people of Rivers State and Nigerians in general, has been in a state of disrepair on account of failure of successive governments to carry out rehabilitation works on it;

Cognizant that the Road harbours over 80 gas and oil wells, non-associated gas gathering plant, a flow Station and the waste management site of Shell Petroleum Development Company;

Worried that the present condition of the road is of serious concern to commuters and communities along the highway;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committees on Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC), and the Niger Delta Ministry to liaise with the Commission/Ministry with a view to taking over the rehabilitation of the road in view of its economic importance to the people of Rivers State.

5. Call for Reconstruction of Nsukka-Adani-Onitsha Federal Road:
Hon. Stella Ngwu:

The House:

Notes that the Nsukka-Adani-Onitsha Road which links many Communities in Enugu and Anambra States is very strategic for the agro-economic activities of the people of the States;

Also notes that Adani Community in Uzo-Uwani Local Government Area of Enugu State and other Communities in Ayamelum Local government Area of Anambra State are reputed for rice and other food and economic crops cultivation;

Aware that the road is the only access road through which traders from Onitsha and their counterparts from Nsukka and Enugu access the Ada Rice Farm and other small holder farmers to purchase rice and other food crops in commercial quantities;

Concerned that for over two decades, the road has remained in a state of disrepair, thus making it very difficult for movement of commuters and conveyance of agricultural goods;

Also concerned that the numerous potholes and gully sites along the road have occasioned road mishaps resulting in loss of lives and properties, and many large private farm settlements which hitherto engaged in commercial farming along the road have been forced to close down, resulting in loss of gainful employments;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Mandate the Committees on Works, Federal Road Maintenance Agency (FERMA) and Appropriations to ensure that money for the reconstruction and/or rehabilitation of the road is captured in the 2016 Budget; and

(*ii*) mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance.

6. **Urgent Need for Construction of a Dual Carriageway along Aba-Ikot Ekpene-Calabar Road: Hon. Emmanuel S. Akpan:**

The House:

Notes that the Aba-Ikot Ekpene-Calabar Road links Abia, Akwa Ibom and Cross River States, which are part of the commercial nerve centre of the nation;

Also notes that the Ikot Ekpene-Calabar axis has heavy vehicular movements as granites, stone dust and rocks are moved from bases in Cross River State through the road to different locations in the country;

Concerned that this major road network is still a single lane road and is in a very deplorable state, as a result of neglect by successive Administrations;

Also concerned about the hardships being experienced by commuters and entrepreneurson the road which have grave negative effects on the economic lives of the people;

Disturbed by the loss of lives on the road as a result of high rate of accidents coupled with the incessant attacks on commuters by armed robbers;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Mandate the Committee on Works to include the dualization of the road in the 2016 Budget in order to ameliorate the sufferings of the people and enhance the economies of the States; and

(*ii*) mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure compliance.

7. **Urgent Need for the Completion of the Okeagbe 2x60 MVA, 132/33Kv Substation with 2x132Kv Line Bays Extension at Obajana:**
Hon. Stephen Friday Olemija:

The House:

Notes the immense hardships being experienced by the people of Okeagbe-Akoko and other communities across Akoko in Ondo, Kogi and Ekiti States, who have been living in darkness for years owing to perennial outage;

Also notes that the overloaded 33KV feeder Station from Okene is the only source of electricity supply to the four Local Government Areas of Akoko North-East, North-West, South-East and South-West of Ondo State with a population of over 700,000 people;

Further notes that the overloading of the feeder station is the major reason for the constant outage owing to frequent breakdowns which have adversely affected the socio-economic activities of the areas as people now wholly depend on generators to run their businesses and homes at exorbitant costs;

Aware that the Transmission Company of Nigeria, in December 2011, awarded a contract to Power Company and Appliances Limited for the sum of US$5,612,652.66 (₦483,563,307.70) for the construction of 2x60 MVA, 132/33KV substation at Okeagbe with 2x132KV line Bays extension at Obajana and then construction work commenced on 15th of March, 2012;

Also aware that the total amount paid to date in respect of the project is US$5,612,652.66 (₦110,875,019.10) with just ₦327,200,524.90 as outstanding balance to be paid for a contract that was scheduled to be completed within twenty four months;

Further aware that the project is 70% completed and its final completion would provide stable electricity to more than fifty (50) communities spread across Ondo, Ekitiand Kogi States;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Urge the Federal Ministry of Works, Power and Housing to direct the Contractor (Power Company and Appliances Limited) to return to site and complete the project in accordance with the terms of the contract;

(*ii*) mandate the Committees on Power, and Appropriations to include money for the completion of the project in the 2016 Appropriations proposals.

8. Need for Completion of the Rehabilitation/Expansion Work on the Lagos-Ibadan Expressway:
Hon. Oladipupo Adebutu Hon. Mukaila Olayiwola Kazeem:

The House:

Notes that the Sagamu-Ogijo-Mosimi-Ikorodu Road is a 25km Road linking Ogun and Lagos States;

Also notes that the Road serves as an alternative route through Sagamu, Ogijo and Mosimi in Ogun State to Ikorodu in Lagos State and hosts several strategic installations and industrial plants;

Aware that in 2011, the Federal Government budgeted ₦150m for the rehabilitation of the road, while N600m was appropriated in 2012 for similar purpose, and again in the 2013 Budget, the sum of ₦1.5bn was budgeted in order to accommodate access roads to the NNPC Depot at Mosimi, however till date the road remains largely impassable;

Also aware that in December 2014, the Independent Petroleum Marketers Association of Nigeria (IPMAN), Mosimi Chapter, highlighted the deplorable condition of the Sagamu-Mosimi section of the road, as posing great danger to lives and properties, and as a consequence, threatened to call for a strike action, if the Federal Government failed to reconstruct the Road;

Concerned that the strategic nature of this petroleum distribution network route, necessitates heavy volume of vehicular traffic, mainly of petrol tankers and other haulage vehicles, servicing the industries in the axis; which poses a continuous hazard to motorists and the surrounding communities, in the process, causing fatal crashes, creating gridlock and providing opportunities for armed robbery attacks on commuters and residents alike;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Works to include money for the reconstruction of the road in the 2016 budget proposal.

9. Need to Ensure the Completion of the Contract for the Dredging of Calabar Port Channel: Hon. Daniel Effiong Asuquo:

The House:

Notes that the Federal Government had, in 1996, awarded the contract for the dredging of the Calabar Port Channel for the sum of ₦3,000,000,000 (Three Billion Naira) and later in 2006 re-awarded it for the sum of $56,000,000 (Fifty- Six Million Dollars);

Aware that due to the non-completion of the dredging contract, the Federal Government awarded another contract in November 2014 for the sum of ₦20,000,000,000 (Twenty Billion Naira) for the completion of the project:

Conscious that by the contract signed by the Nigerian Ports Authority, the Bureau of Public Enterprises and the concessionaire, the Calabar Channel Management, the Port ought to be dredged to a depth of 9.8 metres:

Concerned that although the depth of 9.8 metres has not been attained even though the Calabar Channel Management duly deployed its equipment to the water channel, the Nigerian Ports Authority has already paid the full contract sum of ₦20,000,000,000 (Twenty Billion Naira) to the contractor who is no longer on site:

Also aware that the Calabar Port Channel has the potential to boost economic activities in the South-South, South-East and North-Central geopolitical zones of Nigeria and become an oil and gas hub for West and Central African countries;

Worried that due to the non-completion of the dredging contract for about two decades now, the zones that it was designed to serve have continued to be denied the benefits while the Calabar Processing Zone, which would have benefitted tremendously from it, has been crippled, with the country unable to leverage on the economic activities that a fully dredged and functional Calabar Port Channel would have spawned:

Disturbed that the non-completion of the project is also putting great pressure on Lagos Ports as well as throwing up huge logistical challenges and needless costs as cargoes meant for the Calabar Port are ro uted through the already congested Lagos Ports, to their various destinations in the South-South, South-Eastern and North-Central States;

Resolves to:
Mandate the Committee on Ports, Habours and Waterways to investigate the processes that led to the award of the dredging contract to a company that does not seem to have the competence and equipment to properly execute the contract, and also evaluate the work so far done by the contractor in the light of the amount so far paid under the contract, and report back to the House within six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

**10. Call for Caution in the Implementation of the Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) Between the European Union (EU) and Nigeria:
Hon. Segun Adekola:**

The House:

Notes that the trade volume between Nigeria and the European Union as at 2014 stood at 40 billion Euros with the size of the European Union foreign direct investments growing from 25 billion Euros in 2011 to 30 billion Euros in 2013;

Aware that Nigeria is not only the most populous nation in Africa, but also its biggest economy, thus necessitating the current drive by the European Union to do business with Nigeria;

Also notes that a recent push by the European Union to further expand the frontiers of its economic relations with Nigeria through the implementation of the Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) is being resisted by the real sector operators of the Nigerian economy, particularly the manufacturers;

Also aware that under the Agreement, the European Union would offer the 15 members of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) full access to its markets in return for which Members of ECOWAS would open up 75% of their markets, with over 300 million consumers, to Europe, over a 20 year period;

Further aware that Nigeria has a weak manufacturing base occasioned by infrastructural deficit and environmental factors, and thus is not on the same economic pedestal with any European Country to warrant such a reciprocal trade relationship as envisaged in the trade Agreement;

Concerned that a full implementation of the Agreement may amount to economic suicide on the part of Nigeria as many industries will close down while locally made products would not be able to compete with goods from Europe and other developed economies;

Also concerned that the Agreement would lead to stunting of the growth of industries in West Africa, with serious economic and employment consequences for Nigeria which controls 60% share of the regional market;

Cognizant of the fact that the Economic Partnership Agreement will, in the long run, confine Nigeria's economy to a mere extension of the markets of the European Union;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Urge the Federal Government to exercise caution in the implementation of the Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) with the European Union (EU) until Nigeria has adequately industrialized to be able to trade competitively in finished products; and

(*ii*) mandate the Committees on Commerce, and Industry to ascertain the true nature of the Agreement, and report back to the House within four (4) weeks.

11. Call for Establishment of a Pacifist Nigerian Civil War Memorial in Gakem, Cross River State: Hon. Ochiglegor Idagbo:

The House:

Recalls that the first gun shot that heralded the Nigerian CivilWar which started on 6 July 1967, was fired in Gakem in the present day Bekwarra Local Government Area of Cross River State;

Notes that the war marked the darkest years in Nigeria's 55 years of existence where a total of about 2million people lost their lives but today, Gakem has no monument toshow for the bruises inflicted on it by the CivilWar;

Recognizes that the Soviet War Memorial in Berlin which opened on May 8, 1949 was built to commemorate about 5,000 of the over 80,000 Soviet soldiers who fell in the Battle of Berlin between April-May 1945 and is now a major tourist destination;

Also recognizes that the World War II Memorial which was commissioned in 1993 acknowledges Americans who served in the War, honors those who fell and commemorates the Allied victory that restored freedom and ended tyranny around the globe;

Further recognizes that the Japanese War Memorial in China which was opened on 7 July, 1987, on the 50th Anniversary of the outbreak of the Second Sino-Japanese War, is a museum and memorial about the Sino-Japanese War;

Conscious of the need to build a Pacifist CivilWar Memorial in Gakem which will not only commemorate the nation's fallen heroes but also serveas a reminder of the ills and destructiveeffects of War;

Resolves to:
Urge the Federal Government to establish a Pacifist War Memorial in Gakem, Cross River State.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Banking and Currency (*Interactive session with CBN Governor*)	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
2.	Petroleum Resources (Downstream) (*Investigative Hearing*)	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 0.28 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Foreign Affairs (*with the Nigerian Consular General in South Africa/Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs*)	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 456 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Drug and Narcotics	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 345 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Treaties, Protocols and Agreements (*with stakeholders*)	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 468 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	Gas Resources	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 460 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
7.	Environment and Habitat (*Joint meeting with Senate Committee on Ecology and Climate Change*)	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 204 New Building (Senate) Assembly Complex
8.	Federal Character (*with FERMA and National Bureau of Statistics*)	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
9.	Works	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 348 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
10.	*Ad-hoc* Committee Investigating Huge debts and Alleged Fraudulent Sale of Banks by AMCON (*Interactive hearing with Officials of AMCON*)	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 436 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
11.	*Ad-hoc* Committee on Alleged Fraudulent Practices in the Collection and Management of Non-Oil Revenue Remittance (*Investigative Hearing with FAAN, NAMA, NCAA, NPA, NIWA, etc.*)	Wednesday, 27 January, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 231 New Building (House) Assembly Complex