1. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Capital Market Registrars: to Regulate and Control the practice of Registration; and for related matters, 2016 (SB. 25) - Second Reading.
   Sen. Francis Alimikhen (Edo North)

2. A Bill for an Act to amend the Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund Act CAP N88, LFN, 2004, to provide Social Security/Protection to serve as a cushion to all working class citizens both in Private and Public Sector, unemployed and aged without discrimination and other related matters, 2016 (SB. 159) - Second Reading.
   Sen. Suleiman Nazif (Bauchi North)

3. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerian Airforce Institute of Technology to provide technical training to personnel of the Nigeria Air Force and other services of the Nigerian Armed Forces and for other connected purposes, 2016 (SB. 180) - Second Reading.
   Sen. Duro Faseyi (Ekiti North)


5. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Commission for conciliation and Arbitration, National Labour Council, the Office of the Registrar of Trade Unions, etc. to administer the provisions of Labour Laws in Nigeria and for matters connected therewith, 2016 (SB. 161) - Second Reading
   Sen. Suleiman Nazif (Bauchi North)

6. A Bill for an Act to Provide for measures to address climate change with a view to assisting to achieve a sustainable future for the country; to set targets to achieve a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions within Nigeria to promote the use of renewable sources of energy; to promote business and community understanding about issues surrounding climate change; to facilitate the early development of policies and programmes to address climate change; and for other purposes, 2016. (SB. 108) - Second Reading.
   Sen. Ishah Hamma Misau (Bauchi Central)

7. Report of the Committee on Petroleum Downstream
   Fuel Scarcity around the Country.
   Sen. Jibrin I. Barau (Kano North)
   "That the Senate do consider the Report of the Committee on Petroleum Downstream in respect of the motion on the Fuel Scarcity around the Country and the need to urgently resolve the crises".

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**Thursday, 17th March, 2016**

1. The Need for Effective and Efficient Pipeline Protection and Surveillance by The Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC).
   Sen. Bassey Albert Akpan (Akwa Ibom North-East)
   Co-sponsors: All members of Senate Committee on Gas

The Senate:
Recalls that Gunmen suspected to be militants on January 28, 2016 attacked a pipeline belonging to Nigeria Agip Oil Company (NAOC), located at Brass Local Government Area (LGA) of Bayelsa State;

Also recalls that the 24 inch Escaros to Warri Gas pipeline belonging to Nigerian Gas Company (NGC) as well as pipelines belonging to Chevron Nigeria Limited (CNL) and Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) were bombed a few weeks ago by oil pipeline vandals within Delta State in the Niger-Delta region;

Further recalls that a few months ago, suspected oil pipeline vandals blew up a high pressure gas pipeline belonging to the Nigerian Petroleum Development Company (NPDC), a subsidiary of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) in the same Delta state;

Concerned that this gas supply pipeline supplies gas from Escaros to Lagos - Olorobun, Ibeshi - Omotosho - Egbin - Obajana industrial locations, Ikorodu, agbara Industrial Layout as well as the West African Gas pipeline to Ghana;

Deeply concerned that this incident has led to the loss of over 300 mmscf of gas daily and a related loss of over 600 – 800 MW of the nation’s electricity generation capacity which has resulted in a drastic power supply from 4,883.9 MW to 2,665.90 MW currently;

Disturbed that this renewed vandalisation of pipelines have a tremendous and devastating impact on domestic oil and gas supply in the country and a major threat to government efforts towards industrialisation and creation of employment;

Wonders why the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) has expended Billions of public funds on several pipeline protection and surveillance activities across the country without reducing the menace of pipeline vandalisation in the country;

Worried that the Petroleum Production and Distribution (Anti -Sabotage) Act Cap 353 L.F.N. 1990, Act Cap. P12 L.F.N. 2004 enacted to curb this menace has not been effectively enforced by the various government agencies to curb this menace;

Persuaded that this renewed activities of pipeline vandals and miscreants will if not checked reduce the industrial output of the country which might in the long run affect the revenue projection of the Federal government and the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the Economy;

Convinced that the huge funds expended by the Federal government on Niger-Delta Amnesty programme is justified and wonders the reason for this renewed agitation;

Deeply worried that the resuscitation of militancy in the Niger-Delta region, considering its negative impact on the economy of the country in the past, will worsen the already dwindling current economic situation faced by the country;

Accordingly resolves to:

i. Commend the prompt response by the relevant security agencies at the various explosion sites to avert a more devastating environmental situation in the affected areas;

ii. Strongly condemn the vandalisation of oil and gas pipelines and other facilities in the Niger-Delta region by miscreants and vandals;

iii. Call on all relevant security agencies as well as the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), to ensure and intensify surveillance on all oil and gas facilities and bring to justice anyone or group involved in this act of economic sabotage;

iv. Urge the relevant Senate Committees to review the existing Petroleum Production and Distribution (Anti - Sabotage) Act with a view to bringing into effect a detailed prescription of the law on pipeline vandalism as an act of economic sabotage;

v. Mandate the Senate Committee on Gas to carry out a thorough investigation into the pipeline protection and surveillance activities of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC).
2. The Rising Cases of insecurity and Sea Piracy along our nation’s Water Ways.
Sen. Nelson Effiong (Akwa-Ibom South)

The Senate;

Notes with serious concern the level of insecurity that has engulfed our water ways in this country; our water ways and canals have become escape routes for armed robbers after their robbery attack whilst our fishermen daily pass through terrible ordeal in the hands of sea robbers along the water ways in this country;

Aware that our water ways play major role in the sustenance of the economic development of our nation as they serve as economic gateway for traders who engage in maritime trading with countries like Cameroun, Gabon, Equatorial Guinea, Sao Tome and Principe;

Further Aware that these water ways are used by various multinationals for their off-shore operations;

Disturbed that traders and fishermen are daily being dispossessed of their wares, money and outboard engines in broad daylight along the water ways without any Federal Security presence to protect them;

Further disturbed that on July 2, 2015, the pirates seized five boats loaded with crayfish worth millions of naira, forcefully collected large sums of money from fishermen and raped the women who were on the boat, some in the presence of their husbands, in Effiat Community of Mbo Local Government Area in Akwa-Ibom State;

Shocked that in the same month of July, while searching the traders in a boat, the pirates discovered money which a woman had hidden inside her baby’s pampers on sighting them, they removed the money from the baby and threw the child into the sea to drown, in the presence of the mother;

Concerned that even with the Nigerian Navy’s forward operations Base stationed in Ibaka, a coastal town along the water ways, the nefarious activities of these criminals have gone unchallenged;

Worried that the current trend now in Lagos State is a situation where dare devil armed robbers make do with our water ways and canals as escape routes after carrying out their dastard and nefarious robbery activities;

Further worried that on the 14th day of October, 2015 in Lagos suburb of Festac Town at a simultaneous raid on 2 banks, robbers claimed the lives of an infant Baby Nmesoma, 14 months old; and her mother Jane, such brazen daylight robbery scenario was repeated at a bank along Admiralty Way, Lekki, Lagos and at the Ikorodu axis of the state.

Sadly notes that Ogun state is not also spared from the attacks, that on Thursday, 19th November, 2015 in Agbara, Ogun State about 40 dare devil armed robbers stormed a new generation bank, carted away millions of naira, killed 2 police officers and a nursing mother and escaped via the water ways around the areas;

Concerned that even with the Nigerian Navy’s forward operations base I stationed in Ibaka, a coastal town along these water ways, the nefarious activities of these criminals have gone unchallenged;

Worried that if a strong and urgent action is not taken against these robbers, the economic activities along these water ways will grind to a halt, the consequences of which are better imagined.

Accordingly resolves to:

i. Urge the Nigerian Navy, Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA), Nigeria Police (Marine Police Command), State governments and all other relevant agencies to collaborate, tighten the security along our water ways and canals to prevent armed robbers from turning our water ways as escape route after robbery incidents; and put in place a practice strategy of tackling Sea Piracy and armed robbery on our water ways, creeks and canals.
Observes that the existing maritime ports in Lagos, Port-harcourt and Calabar are being over stretched and that the congestion of these ports constitutes serious security threat to lives and property, especially now that there is heightened security concern at crowded locations;

Regrets that due to over congestion in the existing maritime ports and the bureaucracy associated with the clearing of goods, a lot of precious time which would otherwise have been committed to other productive economic engagements is often wasted;

Worried that there have been causes of avoidable loss of lives and destruction of goods due to movement by road of containers and heavy equipment carrying trucks;

Acknowledges that inland water transport not only reduces traffic jams on road transportation and the slowing down of economic activities, but also decreases the cost of transportation in the movement of oil, rice, sugar, cement, fertilizers and heavy equipment, thereby providing an alternative cheap and reliable means than other modes of transport;

Further acknowledges that inland water transport generates a lot of revenue for the Federal and State Governments, which revenue is channeled towards the development of other sectors, including health and education infrastructure and the creation of employment and job opportunities for Nigerians, thereby ensuring engagement of workers and reduction of social problems induced by unemployment.

Accordingly resolves to:

i. Urge the Federal Government through the Ministry of Transport to establish inland ports in Onitsha, Enugu and other lock states.

ii. Urge the Federal Government through the Nigerian Shippers Council to carryout appropriate feasibility studies for the purpose of establishing inland ports in Onitsha, Enugu and other lock States.

iii. Mandate the Committees on Transport and Works to ensure full compliance with prayers (i) and (ii) above.

Sen. Peter Nwaoboshi (Delta North)

The Senate:

Notes with serious concern the inefficient management and operation at the National Commission for Museum and Monuments in Abuja.

Notes also that Abuja, which is the capital of Nigeria and as such is supposed to lead the way in the management of national museum and monuments and it is appalling that presently, there is no National Museum exhibiting the nation’s arts and monuments in Abuja.
Observes that presently, the National Commission for Museum and Monuments is in the Federal Secretariat, CBD, Abuja, having moved from Cotonu Street, Wuse Zone 6, Abuja, and there is no national museum gallery exhibiting our national art works, thus denying citizens and others from visiting to learn more about our national arts and culture and this does not place the nation in good light at all.

Wonders where the Nation's rich art works are kept presently and the condition under which they are kept, as they may deteriorate or even be tampered with or stolen.

Accordingly resolves to:

1. Urge National Commission for Museum and Monuments to open without further delay, the National Arts Gallery for the exhibition of our national arts and monuments for people to visit for the purpose of learning and tourism.

2. Direct the Committee on Culture and Tourism to investigate the reason behind the closure of the National Arts Gallery in Abuja and find out the present location and condition of the art works and monuments and report back to the Senate within one month.

5. Cancer Treatment Infrastructure Crisis
   Sen. Duro Faseyi (Ekiti Central)

6. Desirability to conduct elections across all Local Governments in Nigeria to facilitate transparency, accountability and grassroots development.
   Sen. Umaru Ibrahim Kurfi (Katsina Central)

   Sen. Mustapha Bukar (Katsina North)

8. Motion: The difficulty and delay in processing land documents in Federal Capital Territory
   Sen. Peter Nwaoboshi (Delta North)

9. A Bill for an Act to repeat the NIPOST Act CAP N.127 LFN, 2004, to provide for the operation and development of postal services; the establishment of the Nigerian Postal Commission and for related matters, 2016 (SB. 106) - Second Reading.
   Sen. Gilbert Nnaji (Enugu East)

10. A Bill for an Act to Establish an Independent National Assembly Budget and Research Office, which shall provide the National Assembly with objective, timely and non-partisan analysis needed for Economic and Budget decisions and other related matters, 2016 (SB. 222) - Second Reading.
    Sen. Babajide Omoworare, CON (Osun East)

11. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Electoral Act No. 6 2010 and for other matters connected with, 2016 (SB. 231) - Second Reading.
    Sen. Tijani Y. Kaura (Zamfara North).

    Sen. Suleiman Nazif (Bauchi North)

13. A Bill for an Act to amend the Nigerian Law Reform Commission Act CAP N118 LFN 2004, to remove the bottle-neck to the Commission's Reform initiative, ensure its Autonomy and bring the Act in conformity with the provisions of 1999 Constitution (As Amended) and for other matters connected therewith, 2016 (SB. 27) - Second Reading.
    Sen. Babajide Omoworare (Osun East)

    Sen. Mohammed Ali Ndume (Senate Leader)

15. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the establishment of Defence Space Agency, and for other matters connected therewith, 2016 (SB. 166) - Second Reading.
    Sen. Ajayi Boroffice (Ondo North).