SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 15th March, 2016

1. **Prayers**
2. **Approval of the Votes and Proceedings**
3. **Oaths**
4. **Announcements (if any)**
5. **Petitions**

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Nigerian Army Institute of Technology and Environmental Studies (Est. Etc.) Bill, 2016 (SB. 123) -*First Reading.*
   Sen. Kabir Marafa *(Zamfara Central).*

2. Whistle Blowers Protection Bill, 2016 (SB. 158) - *First Reading.*
   Sen. Biodun Olujimi *(Ekiti South)*

3. Public Officers Protection CAP P41 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 Act (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (SB. 209) -*First Reading.*
   Sen. Gilbert Nnaji *(Enugu East)*

4. National Roads Fund (Est. Etc.)Bill, 2016 (SB. 218) -*First Reading.*
   Sen. Kabiru Gaya *(Kano South).*

5. Federal Road Safety Corps Act No. 22, 2007 (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (SB. 221) -*First Reading.*
   Sen. Kashamu Buruji *(Ogun East).*

ORDERS OF THE DAY

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Incorporate and enforce certain provisions of the United Nations Convention on the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women, the protocol of the African Charter on Human and People's Rights on the rights of women in Africa, and other matters connected therewith, 2016 (SB. 116) - *Second Reading*
   Sen. Biodun Olujimi *(Ekiti South)*

2. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the establishment and operation of a program to enable certain persons to receive protection in relation to certain inquiries, investigations or prosecutions and for matters connected therewith, 2016 (SB. 157) - *Second Reading.*
   Sen. Isiaka Adeleke *(Osun West)*

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3. A Bill for an Act to amend the Public Officers Protection Act CAP P41 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and for other related matters, 2016 (SB. 156) – *Second Reading.*
Sen. Peter Nwaboshi *(Delta North)*

MOTION

1. Interim Financial and Material Support/Assistance to Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) Returnees in Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe States.
Sen. Mohammed Ali Ndume *(Senate Leader)*

Co-Sponsors:

Sen. Abubakar Kyari
Sen. Abdul Aziz Nyako
Sen. Bukar Abba
Sen. Baba Kaka Garba
Sen. Ahmad Abubakar
Senator Mohammed Hassan
Sen. Binta Masi Garba
Sen. Ahmed Lawan

The Senate:

Aware that the Federal Government is winning the War against insurgency in the North East particularly Borno, Adamawa and Yobe;

Notes that most of the Local Governments Towns and Villages hitherto occupied by the insurgents have been recaptured and secured by the Nigerian Security Forces particularly the Army;

Also aware that the highways leading to and from all the Local Governments from the State Headquarters of Borno, Adamawa and Yobe have been demined and opened commuters;

Worried that the Internally Displaced Persons from these state ran away from their various homes leaving everything they own behind with hope of returning in short-time but end up losing everything to the insurgents (Boko Haram);

Also note that significant number of the victims of insurgency around our borders towns ran to Niger, Chad and Cameroon;

Also worried that the Displaced Person's houses and other physical properties, like vehicles Machineries other buildings and almost everything have been destroyed or vandalized by the insurgents (Boko Haram);

Concerned that most or almost all the affected persons are relatively poor with no savings, source of income or gainful employment;

Also concerned that for two years consecutively the people in the affected states have not been able to farm;

Notes that many people especially children are dying because of hunger and sanitation related diseases;

Aware of the effort the federal government through NEMA, PINE, VSF and National Refugees commission to provide basic relief materials to the IDPs in the various camps;

Worried that the IDPs that are eager to return home or are been relocated have nothing to take home also have nothing to meet at home from what they left behind when they ran away;

Observed that for the IDPs to return home, they need immediate and interim financial and material assistance in term of cash transfer and food relief to start their lives all over in the short term before the intervention from proposed North East Development Commission, PINE, VSF, Save School Initiative or any form of intervention;

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Accordingly resolves to:

(i) Urge the Federal Government to release grains from the strategic grain reserve to the affected states of Borno, Adamawa and Yobe.

(ii) Direct the Senate Committee on Appropriation to allocate the sum of ₦10 billion under service Wide vote for relocation and resettlement of the IDPs returnees in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe.

(iii) Urge NEMA and Refugees Commission to make Special arrangement for repatriation and resettlement of Nigeria refugees in Cameroon, Niger and Chad.

(iv) Direct the appropriate Committees to write a letter of appreciation to the Embassies of the Host countries where the refugees are accommodated.

(v) Urge the Victim Support Fund to allocate reasonable amount from the fund for immediate relocation and resettlement of the IDPs pending the short and medium term plans, they might have.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1. Public Account	Tuesday, 15th March, 2016	2.00pm	Committee Room 231 Senate New Building
2. Diaspora & Non-Governmental Organisations	Tuesday, 15th March, 2016	2.00pm	Committee Room 2.01 Senate New Building
3. Import Duty Waivers, Concessions and Grants	Tuesday, 15th March, 2016	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building
4. Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters	Tuesday, 15th March, 2016	1.00pm	Committee Room 313 Senate New Building
5. Capital Market	Tuesday, 15th March, 2016	3.00pm	Committee Room 312 Senate New Building
6. Ecology and Climate Change	Wednesday, 16th March, 2016	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building

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