



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

FIRST VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 20 December, 2018

1. The House met at 11.25 a.m. Mr Speaker read the Prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings**

Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the *Votes and Proceedings* of Wednesday, 19 December, 2018.

The Votes and Proceedings was adopted by unanimous consent.

3. **Message**

Mr Speaker read the following messages from the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:

(i) (INSERT)

(ii) (INSERT)

(iii) (INSERT)

4. **Announcement**

(a) **Bereavement:**

Mr Speaker read the following communications from:

(i) Hon. Ezekiel A. Adaji (*Otukpo/Ohimini Federal Constituency*), announcing the death of a former member, Hon. Vincent Garuba O'kwu (*Otukpo Federal Constituency*, 1979 - 1983) on Thursday, 4 October, 2018.

(ii) Hon. Linus Okorie (*Ohaozara/Onicha/Ivo Federal Constituency*), announcing the death of his mother, Evangelist Odinakachukwu Okorie, on Wednesday, 12 December, 2018 at the age of 78.

A minute silence observed in honour of the deceased.

(b) **Conference Committee on the Report of the Implementation of the New Condition of Service for Staff of National Assembly:**

Mr Speaker announced the Membership of the Committee as follows:

1.	Hon. Simon Arabo	—	Chairman
2.	Hon. Chika Abubakar Adamu	—	Member
3.	Hon. Mohammed Sani Abdu	—	Member
4.	Hon. Daniel Reyenieju	—	Member

5.	Hon. Nkem-Abonta Uzoma	—	Member
6.	Hon. Bashir Baballe	—	Member
7.	Hon. Sunday Adepoju	—	Member

5. Matters of Urgent Public Importance (Standing Order Eight, Rule 4)

(i) *Killing of Air Chief Marshal Alex Sabundu Badeh (Rtd):*

Hon. Abdulrahman Shuaibu Abubakar (*Mubi North/Mubi South/Maiha Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) *suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.*

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Killing of Air Chief Marshal Alex Sabundu Badeh (Rtd):

The House:

Notes the killing of Air Chief Marshal Alex Badeh (Rtd) on Tuesday, 18 December, 2018, along Keffi - Abuja road while returning from his farm;

Aware that the Late Air Chief Marshal Badeh (Rtd) was an exceptional officer who distinguished himself during his career in the Nigerian Air Force as evidenced in his attainment of the highest rank in the Force, and ended up as the Chief of Defence Staff of the Nigerian Air Force;

Also notes that the late Air Chief Marshal Badeh, who was born on January 10, 1957, in Vimtim, Mubi North Local Government Area of Adamawa State, graduated from the Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna as a member of Regular Course 21, on 3rd January, 1977, and was commissioned as a Pilot Officer on 3rd January, 1979;

Also aware that the late Air Chief Marshal Badeh was the 15th Chief of Defence Staff of the Armed Forces of Nigeria, having earlier been appointed as the Chief of Air Staff;

Observes that the death of the late Air Chief Marshal Badeh is a great loss to the people of Mubi North/Mubi South/Maiha Federal Constituency, and indeed the entire country;

Concerned that the apparent ease with which the killing was carried out brings to the fore the seeming lack of security for the lives of the ordinary Nigerian;

Conscious of the need for the Government of Nigeria to ensure the protection of lives in accordance with Section 14 (2)(b) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 which provides that the security and welfare of the people shall be the primary purpose of Government.

Resolves to:

- (i) condemn the dastardly act;
- (ii) urge the Inspector-General of Police and other Security Agencies to investigate the incident with a view to unraveling the killers of late Air Chief Marshal Badeh;
- (iii) observe a minute silence in honour of the deceased (*Hon. Abdulrahman Shuaibu Abubakar — Mubi North/Mubi South/Maiha Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Noted the killing of Air Chief Marshal Alex Badeh (Rtd) on Tuesday, 18 December, 2018, along Keffi - Abuja road while returning from his farm;

Aware that the Late Air Chief Marshal Badeh (Rtd) was an exceptional officer who distinguished himself during his career in the Nigerian Air Force as evidenced in his attainment of the highest rank in the Force, and ended up as the Chief of Defence Staff of the Nigerian Air Force;

Also noted that the late Air Chief Marshal Badeh, who was born on January 10, 1957, in Vintim, Mubi North Local Government Area of Adamawa State, graduated from the Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna as a member of Regular Course 21, on 3rd January, 1977, and was commissioned as a Pilot Officer on 3rd January, 1979;

Also aware that the late Air Chief Marshal Badeh was the 15th Chief of Defence Staff of the Armed Forces of Nigeria, having earlier been appointed as the Chief of Air Staff;

Observed that the death of the late Air Chief Marshal Badeh is a great loss to the people of Mubi North/Mubi South/Maiha Federal Constituency, and indeed the entire country;

Concerned that the apparent ease with which the killing was carried out brings to the fore the seeming lack of security for the lives of the ordinary Nigerian;

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Resolved to:

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- (ii) urge the Inspector-General of Police and other Security Agencies to investigate the incident with a view to unraveling the killers of late Air Chief Marshal Badeh;
- (iii) observe a minute silence in honour of the deceased (HR../2018).

A minute silence observed in honour of the deceased.

- (ii) *Need to Address Security Breakdown, the Killing of 36 Police Officers and Incessant Killings in Zamfara State:*

Hon. Aminu Sani Jaji (Kaura-Namoda/Birnin-Magaji Federal Constituency) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) *suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.*

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Need to Address Security Breakdown, the Killing of 36 Police Officers and Incessant Killings in Zamfara State:

The House:

Notes that in the last one month or thereabouts, more than 100 people have been killed in different parts of Zamfara State by gun men and other undersirable elements;

Also notes with dismay that kidnapping has been rampant as many people are kidnapped on daily basis and released on payment of ransom;

Worried that in Birnin-Magaji alone, 50 people and 36 Policemen were brutally killed recently;

Disturbed that in Maradun Shinkafi and Gusau 30, 12 and 13 people were also killed respectively by gun men while several others were injured;

Also disturbed that many villages and towns especially in Birnin Magaji, Maradun, Zurmi, Askeg and Shinkafi were burnt while many residents were displaced;

Concerned that many more lives would be lost if urgent action is not taken to address the breakdown of law and order in the State;

Resolves to:

Urge the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, Federal Republic of Nigeria to direct the immediate relocation of tactical Commands of security agencies to Zamfara State to restore law, order and normalcy (*Hon. Aminu Sani Jaji — Kaura-Namoda/Birnin-Magaji Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Noted that in the last one month or thereabouts, more than 100 people have been killed in different parts of Zamfara State by gun men and other undersirable elements;

Also noted with dismay that kidnapping has been rampant as many people are kidnapped on daily basis and released on payment of ransom;

Worried that in Birnin-Magaji alone, 50 people and 36 Policemen were brutally killed recently;

Disturbed that in Maradun Shinkafi and Gusau 30, 12 and 13 people were also killed respectively by gun men while several others were injured;

Also disturbed that many villages and towns especially in Birnin Magaji, Maradun, Zurmi, Askeg and Shinkafi were burnt while many residents were displaced;

Concerned that many more lives would be lost if urgent action is not taken to address the breakdown of law and order in the State;

Resolved to:

Urge the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, Federal Republic of Nigeria to direct the immediate relocation of tactical Commands of security agencies to

Zamfara State to restore law, order and normalcy (HR../2018).

A minute silence observed in honour of the deceased.

6. Presentation of Bills

The following Bills were read the *First Time*:

- (1) Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery, Azare, Bauchi State Bill, 2018 (HB. 1595).
- (2) Federal University of Science and Technology, Mbaise Bill, 2018 (HB. 1596).

7. Presentation of Reports

(i) Committee on Finance:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Finance on the Need to Ensure Implementation of the National Assembly Budget Particularly, on Staff Matters (HR. 99/12/2018)" (Hon. Babangida Ibrahim — Kafur/Malumfashi Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(ii) Report of Conference Committee:

That the House do receive the Report of the Conference Committee on a Bill for an Act to Establish the National Roads Fund for the Purpose of Financing Routine and Periodic Maintenance of National Roads; and for Related Matters.

Order read; deferred by leave of the House.

(iii) Report of Conference Committee:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Conference Committee on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Agency for National Ethics and Values, to Provide for the Functions and Powers of the Agency, the Qualifications and Procedures for the Appointment of the Chairman and Members; and for Related Matters" (Hon. Odebunmi Olusegun Dokun — Ogo-Oluwa/Surulere Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(iv) Committee on Telecommunications:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Telecommunications on the issue from the Statutory Revenue Fund of the Nigerian Communications Commission, the Total Sum of N161, 775, 850, 000. (One Hundred and Sixty-One Billion, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Five Million, Eight Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira) only out of which the sum of N36, 056, 268, 000. 00 (Thirty-Six Billion, Fifty-Six Million, Two Hundred and Sixty-Eight Thousand Naira) only is for Recurrent Expenditure, the sum of N30, 424, 143, 000. 00 (Thirty Billion, Four Hundred and Twenty-Four Million, One Hundred and Forty-Three Thousand Naira) only is for Capital Expenditure, the sum of N15, 235, 258, 000.00 (Fifteen Billion, Two Hundred and Thirty-Five Million, Two Hundred and Fifty-Eight Thousand Naira) only is for Special Projects while the sum of N56,832,464,000.00 (Fifty-Six Billion, Eight Hundred and Thirty-Two Million, Four Hundred and Sixty-Four Thousand Naira) only will be transferred to the Federal Government of Nigeria and the sum of N9,030,000.00 (Nine Billion, and Thirty Million Naira) only is for the Budget of the Universal Service Provision Fund (USPF), and the sum of N14, 197, 716,000. 00 (Fourteen Billion, One Hundred and Ninety-Seven Million, Seven Hundred and Sixteen Thousand Naira) only is surplus for the period ending on 31 December, 2018" (Hon. Saheed Akinade-Fijabi — Ibadan Southwest/Ibadan Northwest Federal

Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(v) ***Committee on Aids, Loans and Debt Management:***

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Interim Report of the Committee on Aids, Loans and Debt Management on the Request for Establishment of a Promissory Note Programme and a Bond Issuance to Settle Inherited Local Debt and Contractual Obligations" (Hon. Adeyinka Ajayi — Odo-Otin/Ifelodun/Boripe Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

8. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of the National Institute for Security Studies, Abuja; and for Related Matters (HB. 1583) — Second Reading**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of the National Institute for Security Studies, Abuja; and for Related Matters (HB. 1583) be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Edward Gyang Pwajok — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee of the Whole.

9. **A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Citizenship and Leadership Training Centre Act, Cap. C12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the National Centre for Citizenship and Leadership Training; and for Related Matters (HB. 1354) — Second Reading**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Citizenship and Leadership Training Centre Act, Cap. C12, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the National Centre for Citizenship and Leadership Training; and for Related Matters (HB. 1354) be now read a Second Time" (Hon. Segun Adekola Alexander — Ekiti South West/Ikere/Ise/Orun Federal Constituency).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee on Youth Development.

10. **Rescission of Clause 4 of the Conference Committee Report on the Nigeria Maritime University, Okerenkoko Bill, 2018(Pursuant to Order Nine, Rule 1(6) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives)**

Motion made and Question proposed:

The House:

Notes that Clause 4 of the Conference Committee Report on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Maritime University, Okerenkoko in Delta State and for Related matters 2018 (HB.1033) was considered in the Committee of the Whole on Thursday 18 October 2018 and rejected;

Aware that the Conference Committee recommended the adoption of the House version on Clause 4 of the Bill dealing with sources of funding for the University;

Conscious of the outcome of further consultations on the Bill and the need to again adopt the House version on Clause 4 of the Bill;

Resolves to:

Rescind its decision of Thursday 18 October, 2018 on the Bill and recommit same to the Committee of the Whole for reconsideration (*Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai — Ndokwa East/Ndokwa West/Ukwuani Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

11. Need to Relocate back the Federal Training Centre from Kaduna to Maiduguri, Borno State
Motion made and Question proposed:

The House:

Notes that the Federal Training Center Maiduguri, Borno State, which was originally designed to be in Maiduguri, was moved to Kaduna State in February, 2012 as a result of the insurgency activities in Maiduguri with a view to returning it to Maiduguri whenever security and peace returned to Maiduguri;

Also notes that since relative peace has returned to Maiduguri, it is surprising why the Center alone was moved to Kaduna in the first instance, since all other tertiary institutions in Maiduguri such as University of Maiduguri, Ramat Polytechnic, Kashim Ibrahim College of Education, Lake Chad Research Institute etc. remained in Maiduguri and have been carrying out their normal duties effectively even though there were incessant attacks across Maiduguri by members of the Boko Haram Sect;

Aware that security agencies have given positive Reports and Assurances of safety and their full support, in response to a letter of 10 January, 2017, written to the Director of State Security Service and also during a courtesy call to Military Formations, Department of State Services (DSS), National Security and Civil Defense Corps, theater Commander and Nigeria Air Force Base also in January, 2017;

Concerned that most staff of the Centre have constantly been shuttling between Kaduna Road and Maiduguri to see their families, thereby exposing them to dangers inherent in being on transit virtually every week;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Head of Civil Service of the Federation to direct the relocation of the Center back to Maiduguri;
- (ii) Mandate the Committee on Special Duties to investigate the continued stay of the Federal Training Center, Maiduguri, in Kaduna despite the return of peace to Maiduguri as well as investigate the performances of all the Six Federal Training Centers, and report back within Six weeks for further legislative action (*Hon. Abdulrahman Shuaibu Abubakar — Mubi North/Mubi South/Maiha Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Noted that the Federal Training Center Maiduguri, Borno State, which was originally designed to be in Maiduguri, was moved to Kaduna State in February, 2012 as a result of the insurgency activities in Maiduguri with a view to returning it to Maiduguri whenever security and peace returned to Maiduguri;

Also noted that since relative peace has returned to Maiduguri, it is surprising why the Center alone was moved to Kaduna in the first instance, since all other tertiary institutions in Maiduguri such as University of Maiduguri, Ramat Polytechnic, Kashim Ibrahim College of Education, Lake Chad Research Institute etc. remained in Maiduguri and have been carrying out their normal duties effectively even though there were incessant attacks across Maiduguri by members of the Boko Haram Sect;

Aware that security agencies have given positive Reports and Assurances of safety and their full support, in response to a letter of 10 January, 2017, written to the Director of State Security Service and also during a courtesy call to Military Formations, Department of State Services (DSS), National Security and Civil Defense Corps, theater Commander and Nigeria Air Force Base also in January, 2017;

Concerned that most staff of the Centre have constantly been shuttling between Kaduna Road and Maiduguri to see their families, thereby exposing them to dangers inherent in being on transit virtually every week;

Resolved to:

- (i) urge the Head of Civil Service of the Federation to direct the relocation of the Center back to Maiduguri;
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12. Need to Investigate Nigeria's Alarming Debt Profile

Motion made and Question proposed:

The House:

Notes with concern the alarming rise of Nigeria's debt profile which has led to growing economic instability, stifled growth and stunted development, as well as impacting negatively on various sectors of the economy;

Also notes that there have been continued controversies about the true state of the Nation's debt profile, such that there is glaring disparity in the figures given by the Federal Government and some Fiscal Policy Monitoring Organizations;

Aware that while the Vice President, Prof. Yemi Osibanjo, who is the Chairman of Nigerian Economic Council stated that the Nation's debt profile stood at \$10billion in the last three years, the figures given by Economic and Budget Experts as well as Economic Policy Monitoring Bodies range between \$13billion and \$47billion, from May 2015 to June 2018;

Also aware of further analysis of Nigeria's external and domestic debt which reveals that the external debt grew to \$17.83billion in June 2018 from \$10.49billion in 2015, while domestic debt which was N8.39trillion in June 2015 has risen to N12.15 trillion as at June 2018; (representing an increase of N7.6 trillion in 3 years);

Concerned that aside the rising national debt profile, there is a sharp increase in sub-national borrowing in the last three years, such that the domestic debts of States Governments rose from N1.69trillion in

June 2015 to N3.4trillion in June 2018;

Also concerned that though borrowing (external and /or domestic) is an important and necessary strategy to reflate the economy and stimulate national growth and development, the positive impact of Nigeria's borrowing since June 2015 is yet to be seen;

Further concerned that unlike global practices where borrowing are tied to specific projects mutually agreed by respective organs of government, various borrowing by the Federal Government since June 2015, have not been transparent, a situation which gives room for doubts, misconception and prone to manipulations;

Further aware that Nigeria's revenues are sharply declining, which makes it increasingly difficult to attract and sustain higher debts, ultimately portending micro and macro dangers to the national economy amidst numerous developmental challenges;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committees on Aids, Loans and Debt Management, Capital Market and Institutions, and Banking and Currency to carry out investigation into the matter and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action (*Hon. Yusuf Tajudeen — Ijumu/Kabba-Bunu Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Noted with concern the alarming rise of Nigeria's debt profile which has led to growing economic instability, stifled growth and stunted development, as well as impacting negatively on various sectors of the economy;

Also noted that there have been continued controversies about the true state of the Nation's debt profile, such that there is glaring disparity in the figures given by the Federal Government and some Fiscal Policy Monitoring Organizations;

Aware that while the Vice President, Prof. Yemi Osibanjo, who is the Chairman of Nigerian Economic Council stated that the Nation's debt profile stood at \$10billion in the last three years, the figures given by Economic and Budget Experts as well as Economic Policy Monitoring Bodies range between \$13billion and \$47billion, from May 2015 to June 2018;

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Concerned that aside the rising national debt profile, there is a sharp increase in sub-national borrowing in the last three years, such that the domestic debts of States Governments rose from N1.69trillion in June 2015 to N3.4trillion in June 2018;

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to manipulations;

Further aware that Nigeria's revenues are sharply declining, which makes it increasingly difficult to attract and sustain higher debts, ultimately portending micro and macro dangers to the national economy amidst numerous developmental challenges;

Resolved to:

Mandate the Committees on Aids, Loans and Debt Management, Capital Market and Institutions, and Banking and Currency to carry out investigation into the matter and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action (HR.../2018).

13. Closed Session

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do resolve into a Closed Session" (Hon. Ahmed Idris — Deputy House Leader) — *Agreed to.*

House in Closed Session — 1. 34 p. m.

House in Open Session — 2. 54 p.m.

14. Rescission of the Resolution of the House to Set-up an Ad-hoc Committee to Investigate the Activities of the National Pension Commission from April 2017 Till Date

Order deferred by leave of the House.

15. Rescission of the Long Title and Clause 14 (3) of the Bill for an Act to Establish the Office of the Auditor-General for the Federation, Provide for Additional Powers and Functions to the Office, Establish the Federal Audit Service Commission, Repeal the Public Accounts Committees Act, Cap. P35, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, and Public Accounts Implementations Tribunal Act, Cap. P36, Laws of the of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (Pursuant to Order Nine, Rule 1(6) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives)

Motion made and Question proposed:

The House:

Notes that the Bill was passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives and forwarded to the Clerk, National Assembly for onward transmission to the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation for Assent;

observes that after critical examination of the Bill, the Directorate of Legal Services of the National Assembly observed some fundamental issues which required fresh legislative action;

Resolves to:

Rescind its decision on the Long Title and Clause 14(3) of the Bill as passed and re-commit same to the Committee of the Whole for re-consideration and passage (Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

16. Consideration of Reports

(i) Committee on Telecommunications:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Telecommunications on the issue from the Statutory Revenue Fund of the Nigerian Communications Commission, the Total Sum of ₦161,775,850,000.00 (One Hundred and Sixty-One Billion, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Five Million, Eight Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira) only out of which the sum of ₦36,056,268,000.00 (Thirty-Six Billion, Fifty-Six Million, Two Hundred and Sixty-Eight Thousand Naira) only is for Recurrent

Expenditure, the sum of ₦30,424,143,000.00 (Thirty Billion, Four Hundred and Twenty-Four Million, One Hundred and Forty-Three Thousand Naira) only is for Capital Expenditure, the sum of ₦15,235,258,000.00 (Fifteen Billion, Two Hundred and Thirty-Five Million, Two Hundred and Fifty-Eight Thousand Naira) only is for Special Projects while the sum of ₦56,832,464,000.00 (Fifty-Six Billion, Eight Hundred and Thirty-Two Million, Four Hundred and Sixty-Four Thousand Naira) only will be transferred to the Federal Government of Nigeria and the sum of ₦9,030,000.00 (Nine Billion, and Thirty Million Naira) only is for the Budget of the Universal Service Provision Fund (USPF), and the sum of ₦14,197,716,000.00 (Fourteen Billion, One Hundred and Ninety-Seven Million, Seven Hundred and Sixteen Thousand Naira) only is surplus for the period ending on 31 December, 2018" (Hon. Saheed Akinade-Fijabi — Ibadan Southwest/Ibadan Northwest Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Supply to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

(Mr Speaker in the Chair)

ISSUE FROM THE STATUTORY REVENUE FUND OF THE NIGERIAN COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, THE TOTAL SUM OF ₦161,775,850,000.00 (ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-ONE BILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND NAIRA) ONLY OUT OF WHICH THE SUM OF ₦36,056,268,000.00 (THIRTY-SIX BILLION, FIFTY-SIX MILLION, TWO HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHT THOUSAND NAIRA) ONLY IS FOR RECURRENT EXPENDITURE, THE SUM OF ₦30,424,143,000.00 (THIRTY BILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOUR MILLION, ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-THREE THOUSAND NAIRA) ONLY IS FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, THE SUM OF ₦15,235,258,000.00 (FIFTEEN BILLION, TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIVE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHT THOUSAND NAIRA) ONLY IS FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS WHILE THE SUM OF ₦56,832,464,000.00 (FIFTY-SIX BILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTY-TWO MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND NAIRA) ONLY WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA AND THE SUM OF ₦9,030,000.00 (NINE BILLION, AND THIRTY MILLION NAIRA) ONLY IS FOR THE BUDGET OF THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE PROVISION FUND (USPF), AND THE SUM OF ₦14,197,716,000.00 (FOURTEEN BILLION, ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-SEVEN MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN THOUSAND NAIRA) ONLY IS SURPLUS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING ON 31 DECEMBER, 2018

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of Supply considered the Report of the Committee on Telecommunications on the issue from the Statutory Revenue Fund of the Nigerian Communications Commission, the Total Sum of ₦161,775,850,000.00 (One Hundred and Sixty-One Billion, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Five Million, Eight Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira) only out of which the sum of ₦36,056,268,000.00 (Thirty-Six Billion, Fifty-Six Million, Two Hundred and Sixty-Eight Thousand Naira) only is for Recurrent Expenditure, the sum of ₦30,424,143,000.00 (Thirty Billion, Four Hundred and Twenty-Four Million, One Hundred and Forty-Three Thousand Naira) only is for Capital Expenditure, the sum of ₦15,235,258,000.00 (Fifteen Billion, Two Hundred and Thirty-Five Million, Two Hundred and Fifty-Eight Thousand Naira) only is for Special Projects while the sum of ₦56,832,464,000.00 (Fifty-Six Billion, Eight Hundred and Thirty-Two Million, Four Hundred and Sixty-Four Thousand Naira) only will be transferred to the Federal Government of Nigeria and the sum of ₦9,030,000.00 (Nine Billion, and Thirty Million Naira) only is for the Budget of the Universal Service Provision Fund (USPF), and the sum of ₦14,197,716,000.00 (Fourteen Billion, One Hundred and Ninety-Seven Million, Seven Hundred and Sixteen Thousand Naira) only is surplus for the period ending on 31 December, 2018 and approved the provisions therein.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Supply — Agreed to.

(ii) **Committee on Aids, Loans and Debt Management:**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Interim Report of the Committee on Aids, Loans and Debt Management on the Request for Establishment of a Promissory Note Programme and a Bond Issuance to Settle Inherited Local Debt and Contractual Obligations and approve the only recommendation therein" (Hon. Adeyinka Ajayi — Odo-Otin/Ifelodun/Boripe Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of Supply to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY)

(Mr Speaker in the Chair)

Recommendation (i):

approves the issuance of Promissory note and Bonds in the sum of ₦90,236,461,031.69 (Ninety Billion, Two Hundred and Thirty-Six Million, Four Hundred and Sixty-One Thousand and Thirty-One Naira, Sixty-Nine Kobo) only as payment of refunds to the under listed State Governments for Federal Highway Projects executed on behalf of the Federal Government. (Hon. Adeyinka Ajayi — Odo-Otin/Ifelodun/Boripe Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Recommendation (ii):

approve the Issuance of Promissory Note Program and Bonds in the sum of ₦206,065,107,252. 69 (Two Hundred and Six Billion, Sixty-Five Million, One Hundred and Seven Thousand, Two Hundred and Fifty-Two Naira, Sixty-Nine Kobo) only as payment to contractors liabilities as details below: (Hon. Adeyinka Ajayi — Odo-Otin/Ifelodun/Boripe Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Chairman to report Proceedings.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of Supply considered the Interim Report of the Committee on Aids, Loans and Debt Management on the Request for Establishment of a Promissory Note Programme and a Bond Issuance to Settle Inherited Local Debt and Contractual Obligations and approved Recommendations (i) and (ii) of the Report.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of Supply — Agreed to.

Mr Speaker announced the Membership of the Conference Committee as follows:

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| 1. | Hon. Adeyinka Ajayi | — | Chairman |
| 2. | Hon. Hassan Saleh | — | Member |
| 3. | Hon. Magaji Dan Aliyu | — | Member |
| 4. | Hon. Johnson Oghuma | — | Member |
| 5. | Hon. Dennis Agbo | — | Member |
| 6. | Hon. Zakari Mohammed | — | Member |
| 7. | Hon. Hamman-Julde Garba Chede | — | Member |

(iii) Committee on Finance:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Finance on the Need to Ensure Implementation of the National Assembly Budget Particularly, on Staff Matters and approve the recommendations therein" (Hon. Babangida Ibrahim — Kafur/Malumfashi

Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

Recommendation (i):

urge the Hon Minister of Finance to release 100% on First Line Charge for both National Assembly and Judiciary as per 2018 Appropriation Act (*Hon. Babangida Ibrahim — Kafur/Malumfashi Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Recommendation (ii):

caution the Hon Minister of Finance to henceforth ensure compliance with the provisions of 1999 Constitution (as amended) and the Appropriations Act, as it relates to the First line Charge (*Hon. Babangida Ibrahim — Kafur/Malumfashi Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Chairman to report Proceedings:

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Finance on the Need to Ensure Implementation of the National Assembly Budget Particularly, on Staff Matters and approved Recommendations (i) and (ii) of the Report.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(iv) *Report of Conference Committee:*

Motion made and Question proposed, “That the House do reconsider the Report of the Conference Committee on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Maritime University, Okerenkoko in Delta State; and for Related Matters (HB. 1032) and approve the recommendation therein” (*Hon. Ossai Nicholas Ossai — Ndokwa East/Ndokwa West/Ukwuani Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

**A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NIGERIA MARITIME UNIVERSITY,
OKERENKOKO IN DELTA STATE; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS (HB. 1032)**

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the

Report of the Conference Committee on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Maritime University, Okerenkoko in Delta State; and for Related Matters (HB. 1032) and approved the only Clause therein.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(v) **Committee on Interior:**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Interior on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Prisons Act, Cap. P29, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Nigerian Correctional Service Bill to make Provision for the Administration of Prisons and Non-Custodial Measures in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 487, HB. 516 and HB. 517) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Hon. Adams Jagaba Adams — Kachia/Kagarko Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO REPEAL THE PRISONS ACT, CAP. P29, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 AND ENACT THE NIGERIAN CORRECTIONAL SERVICE BILL TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF PRISONS AND NON-CUSTODIAL MEASURES IN NIGERIA; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS (HB. 487, HB. 516 AND HB. 517)

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered Report of the Committee on Interior on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Prisons Act, Cap. P29, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Nigerian Correctional Service Bill to make Provision for the Administration of Prisons and Non-Custodial Measures in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 487, HB. 516 and HB. 517) and approved Clauses 1 - 47, the Schedules, the Explanatory Memorandum, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(vi) **Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:**

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal Polytechnic, Shendam, Plateau State and to make Comprehensive Provisions for its due Management and Administration, Provide for the Establishment of Federal Polytechnic Dukku, Gombe State for the purpose of Providing Qualitative Education in Sciences, Arts and Other Technical Knowledge and Research and Training and to Establish Federal Polytechnic, Abiriba, Abia State to Provide for Equity and Access to Tertiary Education in the Country, make Comprehensive Provisions for its Due Management and Administration; and for Related Matters (HB. 1050, HB. 947 and HB. 1263) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Hon. Pwajok Edward Gyang — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FEDERAL POLYTECHNIC, SHENDAM, PLATEAU STATE AND TO MAKE COMPREHENSIVE PROVISIONS FOR ITS DUE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION, PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FEDERAL POLYTECHNIC DUKKU, GOMBE STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING QUALITATIVE EDUCATION IN SCIENCES, ARTS AND OTHER TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE AND RESEARCH AND TRAINING AND TO ESTABLISH FEDERAL POLYTECHNIC, ABIRIBA, ABIA STATE TO PROVIDE FOR EQUITY AND ACCESS TO TERTIARY EDUCATION IN THE COUNTRY, MAKE COMPREHENSIVE PROVISIONS FOR ITS DUE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS
(HB. 1050, HB. 947 AND HB. 1263)

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal Polytechnic, Shendam, Plateau State and to make Comprehensive Provisions for its due Management and Administration, Provide for the Establishment of Federal Polytechnic Dukku, Gombe State for the purpose of Providing Qualitative Education in Sciences, Arts and Other Technical Knowledge and Research and Training and to Establish Federal Polytechnic, Abiriba, Abia State to Provide for Equity and Access to Tertiary Education in the Country, make Comprehensive Provisions for its Due Management and Administration; and for Related Matters (HB. 1050, HB. 947 and HB. 1263) and approved Clauses 1 - 2, the Schedules, the Explanatory Memorandum, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(iii) Ad-hoc Committee Report:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the *Ad-hoc* Committee on Need to Investigate the Legality and Modus Operandi of the Special Presidential Investigation Panel (HR. 121/2018) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

Recommendation (i):

that the Recovery of Public Property (Special Provisions) Act, Cap. R4, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 should be repealed (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Amendment proposed:

Leave out all the words in Recommendation (i) and renumber accordingly (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Recommendation (i):

that the President should be urged to dissolve the Panel in view of the arbitrary use of powers and abuse of Office by the Chairman (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Recommendation (ii):

that the Code of Conduct Bureau should be strengthened to fill the gap that the Panel seeks to fill in the current anti-corruption drive (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Amendment proposed:

In Recommendation (ii), *leave out* the words “strengthened to fill” and insert the words “utilized to perform” (*Hon. Pwajok Edward Gyang — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Recommendation (iii):

that the Independent Corrupt Practices Commission (ICPC) should investigate the allegations of corruption contained in the Audit Report of the Auditor-General of the Federation on the financial transactions of the Panel and prosecute the Culprits (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Recommendation (iv):

that the Law Degree of Chief Okoi Obono-Obla, having been obtained fraudulently, should be withdrawn by University of Jos (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Recommendation (v):

that the Body of Benchers should withdraw the Law School Certificate awarded to Ofem Okoi Ofem (now known as Chief Okoi Obono-Obla) as it was based on the degree which he obtained from University of Jos through fraud (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Amendment proposed:

In Recommendation (v), *leave out* the words “Body of Benchers” and insert the words “Council of Legal Education” (*Hon. Pwajok Edward Gyang — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Insert a new Recommendation (vi) as follows:

“The Body of Benchers should withdraw the Call to Bar Certificate issued to Chief Okoi Obono-Obla” (*Hon. Pwajok Edward Gyang — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Insert a new Recommendation (vii) as follows:

“The Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) should prosecute Chief Okoi Obono-Obla before the Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Committee” (*Hon. Pwajok Edward Gyang — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

Constituency).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Recommendation (viii):

that the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria should discharge Chief Okoi Obono-Obla of his responsibility as Special Adviser and Chairman of the Special Presidential Investigation Panel (SPIP) (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Recommendation (ix):

that Chief Okoi Obono-Obla should be arrested by the Inspector-General of Police (IGP) and charged to Court for forgery and misrepresentation (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Amendment proposed:

In Recommendation (ix), *leave out* the word “arrested” and insert the word “prosecuted” (*Hon. Pwajok Edward Gyang — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Insert a new Recommendation (x) as follows:

“That the following Bodies should be served copies of the House Resolution for implementation: The Chief Justice of Nigeria; The Attorney-General of the Federation; The Inspector-General of Police; The President of the Nigerian Bar Association; The Vice Chancellor, University of Jos; and The Director-General of the Nigerian Law School” (*Hon. Pwajok Edward Gyang — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Chairman to report Proceedings:

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the *Ad-hoc* Committee on Need to Investigate the Legality and Modus Operandi of the Special Presidential Investigation Panel (**HR. 121/2018**) and approved Recommendations (i) and (ii) as amended, approved Recommendations (iii) and (iv), approved Recommendation (v) as amended, approved new Recommendations (vi) and (vii), approved Recommendation (viii), approved Recommendation (ix) as amended, approved new Recommendation (x) of the Report.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(viii) *A Bill for an Act to Establish the Office of the Auditor-General for the Federation, Provide for Additional Powers and Functions to the Office, Establish the Federal Audit Service Commission, Repeal the Public Accounts Committees Act, Cap. P35, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, and Public Accounts Implementations Tribunal Act, Cap. P36, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters:*

Motion made and Question proposed, “That the House do consider the Report on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Office of the Auditor-General for the Federation, Provide for Additional Powers and Functions to the Office, Establish the Federal Audit Service Commission, Repeal the Public Accounts Committees Act, Cap. P35, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, and Public Accounts Implementations Tribunal Act, Cap. P36, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters and approve the recommendations therein” (*Hon. Kingsley Chinda — Obio/Akpor Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR-GENERAL FOR THE FEDERATION, PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL POWERS AND FUNCTIONS TO THE OFFICE, ESTABLISH THE FEDERAL AUDIT SERVICE COMMISSION, REPEAL THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEES ACT, CAP. P35, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004, AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTS IMPLEMENTATIONS TRIBUNAL ACT, CAP. P36, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Chairman to report Bill.

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Office of the Auditor-General for the Federation, Provide for Additional Powers and Functions to the Office, Establish the Federal Audit Service Commission, Repeal the Public Accounts Committees Act, Cap. P35, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, and Public Accounts Implementations Tribunal Act, Cap. P36, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters and approved Clause 1, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

17. Adjournment

That the House do adjourn till 4. 37 p.m. (Hon. Pwajok Edward Gyang — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency).

The House adjourned accordingly at 4.30 p.m.

Yakubu Dogara
Speaker