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ORDER PAPER

Thursday, 5 May, 2016

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6. Other Announcements (*if any*)
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PRESENTATION OF REPORTS

1. ***Ad-hoc* Committee on the Investigation of the Declaration by the Hon. Attorney-General of the Federation and Minister of Justice concerning the Resolution of the National Assembly on the Crisis in the Kogi State House of Assembly:**
Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila:
"That the House do receive the Report of the *Ad-hoc* Committee on the Investigation of the Declaration by the Hon. Attorney-General of the Federation and Minister of Justice concerning the Resolution of the National Assembly on the Crisis in the Kogi State House of Assembly" (*Referred*: 12/4/2016).

2. **Committee on Inter-Parliamentary Relations:**
Hon. Samuel Ikon:
"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Inter-Parliamentary Relations on the 67th Session of the Executive Committee during the 38th Conference of the African Parliament Union (APU) held in Bissau, Guinea Bissau from 2nd -6th December, 2015".

3. **Committee on Inter-Parliamentary Relations:**
Hon. Samuel Ikon:
"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Inter-Parliamentary Relations on the African Youth Parliamentarians Union Conference held in Rabat, Morocco from 9th -14th December, 2015".

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. **Admittance into the Chamber:**
Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila:
"I move, pursuant to Order XIX, Rule 217 (1) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives, for the admittance into the Chamber of the Hon. Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment and his entourage, for the purpose of Sectoral Debate of the House of Representatives".

2. **Sectoral Debate:**
Sectoral Debate on the Diversification of the Nigerian Economy: Real Sector Development, Pursuant to Order XVI of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives:

Hon. Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment	—	11.00 a.m.

BILLS

3. **Consolidation of Bills:**
(*a*) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Compulsory, Free, Universal Basic Education Act, Cap. C52, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Increase the Functions of the Commission; and a Bill for an Act to Introduce Peace Studies as part of the Basic National Curricular in both the Junior and Secondary Schools in Nigeria; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 419 and HB. 420) (*Hon. Goni Bukar Lawan and Hon. Usman Mohummad*); and

(*b*) A Bill for an Act to Amend the Compulsory, Free Universal Basic Education Act, Cap. C52, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, to Provide Compulsory Free Meal a day for Children of ages 6-8 and Classes 1-2 in Universal Basic Schools in the Federal Republic of Nigeria; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 155) (*Hon. Beni Lar*).

4. A Bill for an Act to Abrogate the Legislative Powers Delegated to Executive, Administrative, Judicial and Other Offices, Officers, Agencies and Authorities for the Determination, Imposition, Increase, Cancellation, Withdrawal or Reduction of Taxes, Duties, Tariffs and Fees and to Prohibit the exercise of such Powers without the Approval of the National Assembly, pursuant to Section 59 (1) (*b*) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999; and for Other Related Matters (HB. 508) (*Hon. Garba Datti Muhammed*) — *Second Reading*.

MOTIONS

5. **Urgent Need for the Rehabilitation of Uyo Ndiya/Eket Ndiya, Etinan, Mkpat Enin, Ikot Abasi, Port Harcourt Road:**
Hon. Samuel Ikon:

The House:

Notes that Uyo Ndiya Eket Ndiya, Etinan, Mkpat Enin, Ikot Abasi, Port Harcourt Road is a major highway linking Akwa Ibom, Rivers and Bayelsa States;

Also notes the deplorable nature of the road and that the collapse of Ndiya bridge by Ikot Mfon has stalled movement of persons and vehicles, thereby cripping commercial activities in those communities;

Concerned that the deplorable condition of the road has given armed bandits the opportunities to attack travelers and are posing risks to Banks and prime business outfits located on the highway;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Urge the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) to commence the reconstruction of the road to ease the sufferings of the people;

(*ii*) also urge the Inspector-General of Police to put in place security measures in those areas to safeguard the lives and properties of people;

(*iii*) mandate the Committee on Niger Delta Development Commission to ensure compliance.

6. Call on the Council of Legal Education and the Body of Benchers to Allow Law Graduates of National Open University of Nigeria Enrolment into the Nigerian Law Schools:
Hon. Ayodele Oladimeji:

The House:

Notes that the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN) is a Federal Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Institution, the first of its kind in the West African Sub-region and also Nigeria's largest Tertiary Institution in terms of students intake;

Aware that the NOUN offers Law as one of its courses and met the requirements for accreditation of a law Faculty, and also has a good percentage of its law students as degree holders in various disciplines who chose to read Law out of passion to further strengthen their subsisting professions;

Also aware that the Council of Legal Education was established in 1962 to regulate, supervise and be responsible for accreditation, control and management of legal education in Nigeria;

Concerned about the Council's policy that law should no longer be studied on part-time basis despite the fact that many notable lawyers in Nigeria who studied law on part-time or through correspondence are doing exceedingly well in practice; and therefore, enforcement of the policy would deny law graduates of NOUN admissions into the Nigerian Law School, an action that will be punitive;

Resolves to:

(*i*) Urge the Council of Legal Education and the Body of Benchers to re-visit the decision with a view to allowing graduates from the NOUN to be admitted to the Nigerian Law Schools; and

(*ii*) mandate the Committees on Tertiary Education and Services, and Federal Judiciary to intervene in the matter with a view to ensuring that the Council of Legal Education rescinds the policy that disapproves of the Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) Degree programme offered by the National Open University of Nigeria.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

7. A Bill for an Act to Penalize the Commission of Acts of Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishments, Prescribing Penalties Thereof; and for Other Connected Purposes (HB. 120) (*Committee of the Whole*: 24/2/2016).

8. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Loan and Risk Management of Nigeria to Provide for the Control of its Membership and to Promote the Practice of Loan and Risk management in Nigeria; and for Other Connected Purposes (HB. 77) (*Committee of the Whole*: 16/12/2015).

9. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Judicial Institute Act, Cap. N55, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria; 2004 to specify the tenure of office of the Administrator; and for Other Matters Related Thereto (HB. 302) (*Committee of the Whole*: 26/4/2016).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	Committee	*Date*	*Time*	*Venue*
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday, 5 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Land Transport	Thursday, 5 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	IDPs, Refugees and Initiatives on North East Zone	Thursday, 5 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 357 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Aids, Loans and Debt Management	Thursday, 5 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 349 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Appropriations	Thursday, 5 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 120 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
6.	Federal Character (*with Standards Organization of Nigeria* (*SON*), *Petroleum Equalisation Fund* (*PEF*), *and Economic and Financial Crimes Commission* (*EFCC*))	Thursday, 5 May, 2016	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 New Building (House) Assembly Complex