



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 21 February, 2017

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1. Prayers
 2. Approval of the Votes and Proceedings
 3. Oaths
 4. Message from the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (*if any*)
 5. Message from the Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (*if any*)
 6. Other Announcements (*if any*)
 7. Petitions (*if any*)
 8. Matter(s) of Urgent Public Importance
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Procedures for Conception, Preparation and Presentation of Annual Budget, the Implementation of some Yearly Records, Disclosure of Information, Timeliness, Prioritization of Budget Implementation and Penalization for Failure to Implement the Annual Budget in Accordance with the Appropriation Acts and for Other Related Matters (HB. 615) (*Hon. Adamu Kamale*) — *Second Reading*.
 2. A Bill for an Act to Make it Compulsory for all Schools to Teach the Nigerian Constitution as a Subject in Schools and for Other Related Matters (HB. 619) (*Hon. Owoidighe Ime Ekpoattai*) — *Second Reading*.
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MOTION

3. Need to Investigate the Activities of Nigerian Embassies/High Commissions Across the World:
Hon. Rita Orji:

The House:

Notes the allegations by Nigerians in the diaspora of acts of insensitivity, laxity, negligence and near outright maltreatment by consular staff of Nigerian Embassies/High Commissions across the world which inflict mental torture on them;

Also notes the manifestations of these acts in the bureaucratic bottlenecks in the renewal of expired passports, extortion of money from those seeking assistance or redress and outright insensitivity to the plight of those in dire need which had resulted in the abandonment in a mental home in Turin, Italy of one Julie Osamese whose kidney was stolen and the death of Nwadike Stephen Chukwuemeka in a deportation camp in Malaysia, etc.;

Aware that the status of some Nigerians in the diaspora are manipulated as those whose passports have expired are kept in detention, and in the process, they lose their assets and investments;

Concerned that various missions experience scarcity of data capturing machines, thus making it difficult for expired passports to be renewed as and when due;

Also concerned about the allegation that those seeking to renew their passports are made to pay for the sixty-four (64) paged International passport booklet but are eventually issued the thirty-two (32) paged one without being refunded the excess money;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs to ensure that Nigerian Missions abroad provide counselling and support to Nigerians in time of need and to operate a twenty-four (24) hours helpline and desk for Nigerians in the diaspora; and
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Foreign Affairs, Diaspora and Interior to investigate the above allegations and the measures to be devised to alleviate the sufferings of Nigerians in the diaspora and report back to the House within six (6) weeks for further legislative action.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 21 February, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	<i>Ad-hoc</i> Committee on \$17 Billion Stolen from Undeclared Crude Oil and Liquefied Natural Gas	Tuesday, 21 February, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 141 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Privatization and Commercialization (<i>Budget defence</i>)	Tuesday, 21 February, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
4.	Women Affairs and Social Development (<i>Budget preview 2016 and 2017 Budget defence</i>)	Tuesday, 21 February, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 436 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
5.	Federal Capital Territory Judiciary (<i>Budget defence with Agencies under its jurisdiction</i>)	Tuesday, 21 February, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 468 New Building (House) Assembly Complex

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| 6. | Environment and Habitat
(<i>Budget defence with Hon.
Minister, Power, Works and
Housing</i>) | Tuesday, 21 February, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Hearing Room 01
White House
Assembly Complex |
| 7. | Basic Education and Services
(<i>Budget defence with Ministry
of Education</i>) | Tuesday, 21 February, 2017 | 3.00 p.m. | Committee Room 141
New Building (House)
Assembly Complex |