



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 25 April, 2017

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigerian Agricultural Quarantine Service and for Other Related Matters (HB. 866) — *Third Reading*.
2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the School Year (Variation) Act, Cap S2, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Streamline School Year for Schools and Colleges in Nigeria and for Other Related Matters (HB. 799) (*Hon. Chukwuka W. Onyema*) — *Second Reading*.
3. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Nigerian Law Reform Commission Act, Cap. N118, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Remove the Bottleneck to the Commission's Reform Initiatives, Ensure its Autonomy and bring the Act in Conformity with the Provisions of the 1999 Constitution and to, among Others, Empower the Commission to Establish Zonal Offices, Subject Appointments of the Board to the Confirmation of the Senate and Allow for the Reference of Laws for Amendment by Private Citizens and Non-Governmental Organizations and for Other Related Matters (HBs 460, 655 and 923) (*Hon. Evelyn Omavowan Oboro, Hon. Bode Ayorinde and Hon. Sergius Ose Ogun*) — *Second Reading*.

4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria Act, Cap. T5, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for the Change of Name of the Council from Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria to Teachers Regulation Council of Nigeria, Regulating and Enforcing Compliance in both Public and Private Schools with the Minimum Standard Requirement for Teachers amongst other things and for Other Related Matters (HBs 936 and 53) (*Hon. Olamide Johnson and Hon. Mohammed Garba Gololo*) — *Second Reading*.
 5. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Animal Diseases (Control) Act, Cap. A17, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Increase some Penalties and for Other Related Matters (HB. 682) (*Hon. Ahmed Babba Kaita*) — *Second Reading*.
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MOTIONS

6. **Need to Investigate the Delay in the Issuance of the National Identity Cards by the National Identity Management Commission:**
Hon. Lovette Ederin Idisi:

The House:

Notes that in August 2014, the Federal Government adopted the global practice of citizen's identity verification by inaugurating the National Identity Card Scheme to be managed by the National Identity Management Commission (NIMC) which was vested with power to provide identity cards for Nigerians to, among other things, aid population records;

Aware that despite efforts by the government and huge sums invested in the project, over 85% of about 8 million Nigerians who have registered for the exercise have not been issued the identity cards after years of having registered and even the identity cards issued by the NIMC are allegedly not being recognized by Banks and other financial institutions for the purposes of identification;

Concerned that the delay in issuing identity cards to Nigerians whose biometric data have been captured by NIMC is causing Nigerians to lose faith in the exercise, which has also been marred by allegations of sharp practices and constructive abandonment by officers of the NIMC, which have negatively affected the smooth running of the project;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Population to investigate the issues militating against the success of the National Identity Card Scheme and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

7. **Call on the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC) to Ban the use of Lisinopril Drug:**
Hon. Patrick Aisowieren:

The House:

Notes that arising from the current economic recession, lifestyle and hereditary causes, a lot of Nigerians now suffer from blood pressure related illnesses leading to cases of stroke, heart related complications and death;

Also notes that in an effort to manage the high blood pressure related illnesses, some physicians and pharmacists recommend and dispense Lisinopril drug to patients which side effects, aside drowsiness, is the unusual swelling of the lips, making it disproportionate and causing a distortion of facial outline, and in rare cases, even the ear lobe, with attendant pains and discomfort to patients;

Aware that the swelling is said to be an indication of what is medically called angioneurosis oedema, that can be life threatening in the oropharynx and neck region of any affected patient;

Also aware that it is the responsibility of NAFDAC to prevent the use of any drug that can lead to silent death of an unsuspecting patient while he is seeking medical reprieve from a known ailment;

Concerned that the health consequences of the continued dispensing and consumption of Lisinopril can neither be ascertained nor can the cost implications of treating its side effects be determined;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministry of Health, the Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria, the Nigerian Medical Association and the National Agency for Food Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC) to take urgent steps to stop the dispensing of Lisinopril while further clinical reviews of the drug should be carried out; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Healthcare Services to ensure implementation.

8. Call on the Federal Government to Consider the Original Builders of Ajaokuta Steel Plant in the Proposed Negotiations for the Completion, Reactivation and Operation of the Project:
Hon. Lawal Muhammadu Idirisu:

The House:

Notes that after the Federal Government conceptualized the construction of a steel industry in 1958, it contracted Messrs Tyazhprlexport (TPE) a Russian company in 1970 to carry out detailed Geological studies in Nigeria;

Also notes that in 1973, TPE discovered substantial iron ore deposits within the Kabba-Okene-Lokoja triangle and submitted a report to the Federal Government in 1975, which led to the establishment of Ajaokuta Steel Company Limited in 1979;

Recalls that in the same year, the global contract for the supply and erection of technological equipment and steel structures, including special civil works, was awarded to TPE which ensured that about 98% of Ajaokuta Steel Plant's facilities and equipment for the first phase were installed, hence forty one out of the forty three Plant units making up the first phase were completed;

Also recalls that in 1994, TPE discontinued construction works at Ajaokuta Steel Complex due to the failure of the Federal Government to put in place the required external infrastructure needed for the operation of the Plant;

Aware that in 2002 upon invitation by the Federal Government, TPE carried out a technical audit of the Plant in order to determine its status and was later contracted, in 2003 to re-activate and complete the Plant but the plans were not actualized, instead the Federal Government granted concession to Solgas Energy, which was later revoked because the company did not have the technical and financial capacity to revive the Plant;

Also aware that another contract was granted to Global Infrastructure Nigeria Limited in 2005 but this too was later revoked in 2008 for non-performance;

Further aware that in August 2016, the dispute between the Federal Government and Global Infrastructure Nigeria Limited over the control and management of Ajaokuta Steel Company and the National Iron Ore Mining Company (NIOMCO), Itakpe was settled, thus allowing the ownership of Ajaokuta Steel Company to fully revert back to the Federal Government;

Cognizant that TPE, which conducted the architectural and engineering designs of the Steel Plant and built it to 98% completion is a reputable company that has built many steel and mineral processing plants worldwide;

Convinced that it would be in the best national interest for the Federal Government to give Tyazhpromexport (TPE) — the original builders of the Ajaokuta Steel Plant — the right of first refusal in the proposed negotiations with investors for the completion, re-activation and operation of the Steel Plant in order to ensure uniformity in the engineering works and technology used in building the plant;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Government to grant Tyazhpromexport (TPE) the right of first refusal when considering investors for the re-activation, completion and operation of Ajaokuta Steel Plant; and
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Steel to conduct a public hearing to ascertain the best approach to take in the re-activation, completion and operation of Ajaokuta Steel Plant and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

	<i>Committee</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 25 April, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Accounts	Tuesday, 25 April, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 446 New Building (House) Assembly Complex
3.	Local Content	Tuesday, 25 April, 2017	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 244 New Building (House) Assembly Complex