

**SENATE OF THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

REPORT

OF THE

SENATE COMMITTEE ON NIGER DELTA

ON THE

**SCREENING OF THE PRESIDENTIAL
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The Senate may recall that the initial report of the Committee on the Screening of the Presidential Nominees for the Governing Board of the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) was considered on 6th October, 2016 and the nominees confirmed as recommended.

In the Committee's report, the Senate may further recall that the nominees for Abia, Imo and Ondo states were not recommended for confirmation because they were indigenes of non-oil producing areas and their nomination was a breach of Section 2(1)(b) of the NDDC (Establishment etc.) Act 2000.

Also note that, at its sitting on Tuesday, 11th April, 2017, the Senate considered another request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation on the confirmation of the nomination of the following persons for appointment as members on the Governing Board of the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) to replace those who were not recommended for confirmation. Namely,

1. Hon. Chuka Ama Nwauwa representing Imo State
2. Lucky Orimisan Aiyedatiwa representing Ondo State
3. Nwogu N. Nwogu representing Abia State

and referred same to its Committee on Niger Delta for further legislative action.

ACTION BY THE COMMITTEE

The Committee met and screened the nominees but put its report on hold in line with the resolution of the Senate regarding confirmation of nominations at that time.

After due consultation with the leadership of the Senate, given that Mr. President had forwarded the above mentioned names before the resolution of the Senate on confirmation exercises, the Committee wishes to present its report on the screening of the nominees.

SCREENING OF THE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEES

The Committee wishes to report as follows:

1. HON. CHUKA AMA NWAUWA (NOMINATED AS MEMBER REPRESENTING IMO STATE)

He was born on 5th April, 1967 at Izombe, Oguta Local Government Area, Imo State.

He has the following qualifications:

- West African School Certificate (WASC) - 1984
- B.A. (HONS) ENG. LIT. (Imo State University) - 1989
- Diploma in Management (UNILAG) - 1992
- MBA (Management) - 2008
- M.A. English Literature - 2014

He has worked and held different positions as follows:

- Manager/Executive Director - Industrial Medical Services Co. Ltd. 1995 – 2007
- Member - Federal Govt. Special Committee for Review of Oil Exploration Compensation 1998
- Member - House of Representatives 2007 – 2011
- Deputy Minority Whip - House of Representatives 2011
- Chairman, Special Committee for the Development of Niger Delta Area of Imo State 2012 – 2003
- Special Adviser to Imo State Governor on Inter Governmental Institutions, Projects and Petroleum 2013 – 2015
- Member, Imo State Special Economic Team 2015
- Chairman, Imo State Oil Producing Areas Development Commission (ISOPADEC) 2016 – 2017

In consideration of the nominee's vast knowledge of the Niger Delta Region, coupled with his position as a former Principal Officer of the National Assembly, the Committee accorded him due respect by asking him to take a bow and go.

2. LUCKY ORIMISAN AIYEDATIWA

(NOMINATED AS MEMBER REPRESENTING ONDO STATE)

He was born on 12th January, 1965 and is an indigene of Igbokoda in Ilaje Local Government Area, Ondo State.

He has the following qualifications:

- First School Leaving Certificate - 1976
- West African School Certificate (WASC) - 1982
- Nigerian Certificate in Education (NCE) - 1986
- Advance Diploma (Business Admin) - 2001
- Certificate in Chief Executive Education (LBS) - 2009
- Masters of Business Administration - 2013

He has worked in various places, with positions, including the following:

- Store Assistant - SCOA Assembly Plant Apapa, Lagos State 1982– 1983
- Asst. Head Teacher - Reliance International School, Ibadan 1988 – 1990
- Marketing Officer - Universal Pharmaceutical Supply Co. Ltd. Ikeja 1990 – 1993
- General Merchandise - Bizmart Nigeria Ltd. 1994 – 1996
Manager
- Managing Director/
Chief Executive Officer Blue Wall BDC Nigeria Ltd. 1996 – date

During the screening, he responded satisfactorily to the issues raised and assured the Committee that he would work in concert with other members of the Board to ensure the development of the Niger Delta region.

3. NWOGU N. NWOGU

(NOMINATED AS MEMBER REPRESENTING ABIA STATE)

He was born on 15th July, 1956 at Umuachioke – Obibor Obuzor in Ukwa West Local Government Area, Abia State.

He has the following qualifications:

- First School Leaving Certificate - 1971
- West African School Certificate (WASC) - 1977

WORKING EXPERIENCE

The nominee has worked in the following places and positions:

- Instrument Connector - S.S.L. Nigeria Ltd. 1980– 1981
- Manpower Supervisor - Sungas Nigeria Ltd. 1984 – 1990
- Workshop Supervisor - Baker Nigeria Ltd. 1990 – 1994
Port Harcourt
- Managing Director/
Chief Executive Officer - Squareman Integrated Nig. Ltd.

Other positions held include:

Chairman, Ukwa West ANPP - 2003

CPC Coordinator - 2011
Ukwa West Federal Constituency

Abia State APC Zonal Secretary - 2016

The nominee has good knowledge of the Niger Delta. He responded well to the issues raised by the Committee during the screening and assured the Committee that he would work harmoniously with other members of the Governing Board to ensure that the Niger Delta Region is peaceful for sustainable development.

FINDINGS

Considering the fact that the nominees are indigenes of oil producing areas, coupled with their performance and the documents available during screening, the Committee finds that the nominees are qualified to represent their states as members of the Governing Board of Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC).

RECOMMENDATION

In view of the foregoing, the Committee wishes to recommend the following nominees for confirmation:

1. **Hon. Chuka Ama Nwauwa;** as Member representing Imo State on the Governing Board of the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC);
2. **Lucky Orimisan Aiyeditiwa;** as Member representing Ondo State on the Governing Board of the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC);
3. **Nwogu N. Nwogu;** as Member representing Abia State on the Governing Board of the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC).


PRAYER

That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee and approve its recommendation.


I so move.

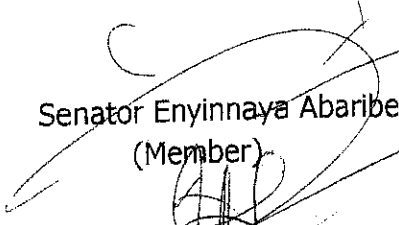

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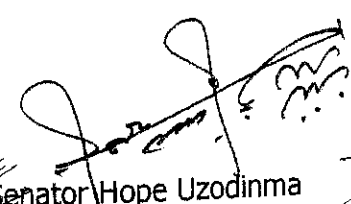
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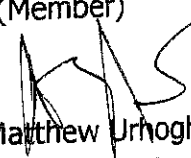

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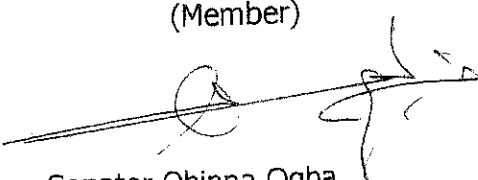

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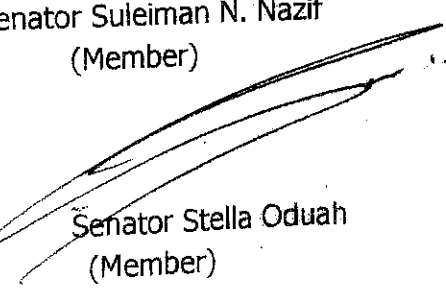
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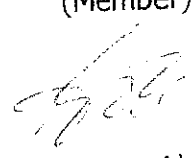
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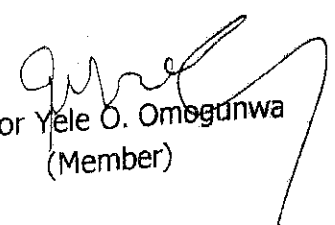

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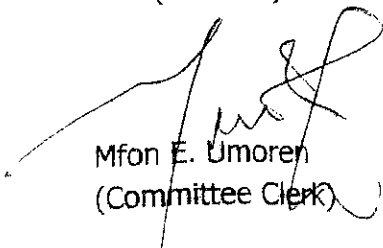
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