

**REPORT OF A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH
THE AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (AFIT)2016**

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Senate at its plenary session on Wednesday, 16th March, 2016 read for the second time, the Bill for an Act to establish the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) Kaduna, Nigeria (SB 180), 2016 and referred same to the Committee on Air Force for further legislative actions.

The Bill seeks to establish the Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna, Nigeria for the following purpose:

- a) Form the nucleus of a world class center of learning and research in aerospace technology in Nigeria.
- b) Create a higher level localized maintenance capability for the aviation, aerospace and allied disciplines of the Nigerian Air Force, other sister Services, related organizations, Nigerians and friendly countries.
- c) Expand the horizon for indigenous research & development efforts by providing a conducive atmosphere and standard infrastructure that will promote cooperation and collaboration with allied institutions and organizations.
- d) Prepare Nigerian Air Force personnel for brighter prospects of employment after separation from the Service.

2.0 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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| 1. Senator Duro Faseyi | - | Chairman |
| 2. Senator Mallam Ali Wakili (mni) | - | Vice Chairman |
| 3. Senator Albert Bassey Akpan | - | Member |
| 4. Senator David Umaru | - | Member |
| 5. Senator T. A. Orji | - | Member |
| 6. Senator Jonah David Jang | - | Member |
| 7. Senator Bala Ibn Na'Allah | - | Member |
| 8. Senator Oluremi Folashade Tinubu- | - | Member |

2.0 SECRETARIAT

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| John I. B Agbawo | - | Committee Clerk |
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3.0 MANDATE

The Institute has a mandate to conduct research, and run certificates, diploma, graduate and postgraduate engineering programmes in various aerospace and allied disciplines.

The Air Force personnel would benefit from exchange programmes through technology acquisition/transfer and multi-disciplinary research and development. This will lay the foundation required for technological transformation in the Nigerian aerospace domain.

The AFIT is an existing institute which has undertaken several research and development efforts while many others are at various stages of design and development.

4.0 ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE INSTITUTE

Some of the achievements of the Institutes include:

- a) Training over 4,000 professionals, including military personnel from sister services and from friendly African countries. Others include civilian staff from government agencies, some state governments and many self-sponsored civilians.
- b) Securing approval from the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority to conduct preparatory courses for Aircraft Maintenance Engineering Licensing. This licensing course is open to the Nigeria Air Force (NAF) personnel and the general public and in particular, it helps prepare NAF aircraft engineers and technicians for post service employment in the civil aviation industry.
- c) Repairing and modifying some Nigerian Air Force aircraft parts as fallout of the research and development efforts earlier highlighted. This has significantly minimized the need to purchase some parts overseas thereby reducing the pressure on scarce foreign exchange in Nigeria and at the same time improving the technological base towards the national development of the country.
- d) As part of manpower development efforts, the Institute has Memorandum of Understanding with a number of local and foreign institutes; these include Cranfield University and the Instituto Tecnológico de Aeronautica of Brazil amongst others. The institute also collaborates closely with related institutions like the Nigerian College of Aviation

Technology and the Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority. Collectively, these collaborations have significantly enhanced the institute's effort at manpower development for the Nigerian Air Force and indeed the Nation.

5.0 CHALLENGES OF THE INSTITUTE

Aside the generic challenge of inadequate funding some other challenges are as follows:

- a) **Lack of Enabling Act:** Since the establishment of AFIT, it has been financed almost solely by the NAF. This has restricted its activities due to limited funding. Given its new global outlook as a centre of excellence and a springboard to advancing technologies in the aviation industry coupled with the Institution's contributions to the Government policy of providing technical assistance to our friendly countries, it became imperative for AFIT to directly get subvention from the Federation Account. This could only happen if AFIT was made a statutory body established and backed by law.

The Air force Institute of Technology was established to cater for the development of the logistics manpower needs of the Nigerian Air Force, it has evolved over the years to awarding diplomas and MSc in Aerospace Vehicle Design in conjunction with Cranfield University. It is also now open to civilians through the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) and has steadily grown its human capacity.

- b) The benefit of the Act to the NAF includes relieving the NAF of funding problems as it would get budgetary allocation directly from the Federation Account as well as subventions from the National Universities Commission (NUC), National Board for Technical Education (NBTE), Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFUND) and the Petroleum Trust Fund (PTF).

Additionally, AFIT will be able to enjoy support from International Research and Development Organizations such as the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), European Union, etc.

6.0 COMMITTEES CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL

6.1 METHODOLOGY

The Committee adopted the following methodology while carrying out the assignment:

- a) Held interactive sessions with the various stakeholders;
- b) Visited and inspected facilities of the Nigeria Air Force in Kaduna, Makurdi and Lagos;
- c) Visited and inspected the facilities of the Nigeria Air force Technical Training Group (TTG) at the Nigeria Air Force Base in Kaduna.

It is important to note that the Technical Training Group (TTG) is presently the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT).

7.0 OBSERVATION

Mr. President; Distinguished colleagues, the Committee observed that this Bill will not only develop capacity in the aeronautical manpower development of the Nigerian Air Force, but also benefit civil aviation industry and other countries within the African sub region.

This AFIT Bill when passed is expected to make the institute a center of excellence in the foreseeable future.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION

Following from the foregoing observations/findings, the Senate Committee on Nigeria Air Force hereby recommends as follows:-

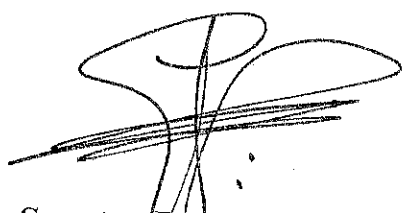
“A BILL FOR AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL TRAINING, TO PERSONNEL OF THE NIGERIAN AIR FORCE, OTHER SERVICES OF THE NIGERIAN ARMED FORCES, NIGERIANS AND OTHER CONNECTED PURPOSES THEREWITH: OCTOBER 2016.”

WE SO MOVE.

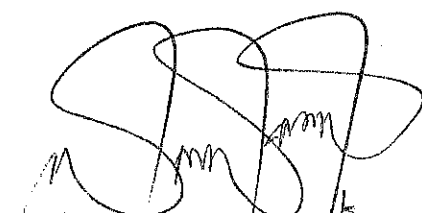
3.0 CONCLUSION

The Committee expresses its gratitude to the President and Leadership of the Senate and other Distinguished Colleagues for the opportunity to serve in this capacity and respectively commend the passage of the AFIT Bill to the Senate.

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REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AIR FORCE ON A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, KADUNA TO GIVE TECHNICAL TRAINING TO PERSONNEL OF THE NIGERIAN AIR FORCE, NIGERIANS, OTHER SERVICES OF THE ARMED FORCES OF NIGERIA, NIGERIANS AND OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES; AND FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH (SB.180)

<i>Provisions of the Bill</i>	<i>Committee's Recommendations</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
<p>PART I - ESTABLISHMENT, STATUS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE AIR FORCE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY</p> <p>Establishment of the Institute.</p> <p>1. There is hereby Established an Institute to be known as the Air Force Institute of Technology.</p> <p>(1) The Institute:</p> <p>(a) Shall be a corporate body with Perpetual succession and Common Seal;</p> <p>(b) May sue or be sued in its own name;</p> <p>(c) Own or Dispose Moveable and Immoveable Property.</p> <p>(2) Shall be situated in Kaduna.</p>	<p>Retained.</p> <p>Retained.</p>	
<p>Objectives of the Institute.</p> <p>2. The Objectives of the Institute shall be to:</p> <p>(1) To create a technological research and development institute of a world class standard in all facets of engineering and technological endeavor including but not limited to aerospace and aeronautical engineering, mechanical, electrical, automobile and automotive engineering, marine engineering.</p> <p>(2) Expose each of its students to a broad and balanced curriculum;</p> <p>(3) Meet a higher level maintenance capability locally for aviation aerospace and allied specialties of the</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

<p>Nigerian Air Force, other Services of the Nigerian Armed Forces, Government, Agencies and related organizations; Nigerians as well as other African Countries and people of other nationalities.</p> <p>(4) Expand the horizon for indigenous research and development efforts, through the provision of conducive atmosphere and infrastructure that will promote cooperation and collaboration with similar Institutions within and outside Nigeria.</p> <p>(5) Prepare Nigerian Air Force Personnel, those of the other sister Services of the Nigerian Armed Forces, Nigerians and Military Personnel from other African Countries for brighter post-service employment as a means of enhancing their integration to civil society and broadening the technical manpower of the aviation industry.</p> <p>(6) Attract international researchers and stakeholders in the aerospace, aeronautics, aviation and, allied industries.</p>		
<p>PART II - POWERS OF THE INSTITUTE AND THE GOVERNING COUNCIL</p> <p>3. Powers of the Institute. The Institute shall have powers:</p> <p>(1) To establish such campuses, colleges, schools, extramural departments and other teaching and research units within the institute as may from time to time, be deemed necessary or desirable subject to the approval of the National Universities Commission or the National Board for Technical Education as the case may be;</p> <p>(2) To institute Professorships, readerships or associate professorships, readerships and other posts and offices and to make appointments thereto;</p> <p>(3) To award honorary degrees, fellowships or academic titles; to hold examinations and grant degrees, diplomas, certificates and other distinctions to persons who have pursued a Course of study approved by the Institute and have satisfied such other requirements as the Institute may lay down from time to time;</p> <p>(4) To Institute and award fellowships, scholarships, exhibitions, bursaries, medals, prizes and other titles,</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

distinctions awards and other forms of assistance;

(5) To provide for the discipline and welfare of member of the Institute;

(6) To demand and receive from any student or any other person attending the institute for the purpose of instruction such fees as the institute may, from time to time, determine subject to the overall directive of the Governing Council;

(7) To acquire, hold, grant, charge or otherwise deal with or dispose off movable and immovable property wherever situate;

(8) To accept gifts, legacies and donations, but without obligation to accept the same for particular purpose unless it approves the terms and conditions attaching thereto;

(9) To enter contracts, establish trusts, act as trustee, solely or jointly with any person and employ and act through agents;

(10) To erect, provide, equip and maintain libraries, laboratories, lecture halls, halls of residence, refectories, sports grounds, playing fields and other buildings or thing necessary or suitable or convenient for any of the object of the Institute.

(11) To hold public lectures, produce periodic journals and to undertake printing, publishing and book-selling

(12) Subject to any provisions of this statute, to invest any money appertaining to the Institute by way of endowment, not being investments or securities or the purchase or improvement of land, with power from time to time to vary any such investments and deposit any money for the time being not invested with any bank on deposit or current account, not charge or surety;

(13) To borrow whether on interest or not if need be upon the security of any or all of the properties, movable or immovable, of the Institute, such monies as the Council may from time to time, in its discretion find

<p>necessary or expedient to borrow or to guarantee any loan, advances or direct facilities;</p> <p>(14) To make gifts for any charitable purpose;</p> <p>(15) To arrange for the general welfare of children of members of staff;</p> <p>(16) To comply with all extant laws regulating the activities of similar Institutions and to do anything which it is authorized or required by this Act or by statute to do; and</p> <p>(17) To do all such acts or things, whether or not incidental to the foregoing powers, as may advance the objects to the institute;</p> <p>(18) The powers conferred on the Institute by subsection (1) of this section shall be exercisable by the Council in the manner, authorized by the statute.</p>		
<p>Constitution of the Governing Council.</p> <p>4. - (1) The Council shall consist of:</p> <p>(a) A chairman who shall be the Chief of the Air <i>Staff</i>;</p> <p>(b) Chief of Policy and Plans Headquarters, Nigerian Air Force;</p> <p>(c) Chief of Aircraft Engineering, Headquarters, Nigerian Air Force;</p> <p>(d) The Air Officer Commanding, Training Command;</p> <p>(e) Chief of Logistics & Communication, Headquarters, Nigerian Air Force;</p> <p>(f) Chief of Accounts & Budgets, Headquarters, Nigerian Air Force;</p> <p>(g) Director of Training, Headquarters, Nigerian Air Force;</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

<p>(h) Director of Education, Headquarters, Nigerian Air Force;</p> <p>(i) The Director Air Force Affairs, Ministry of Defence;</p> <p>(j) The Commandant of the Institute;</p> <p>(k) The Provost of the Institute;</p> <p>(l) Representative of Ministry of Science and Technology;</p> <p>(m) Representative of the Ministry of Aviation;</p> <p>(n) Representative of National Universities Commission;</p> <p>(o) Representative of National Board for Technical Education;</p> <p>(p) The Registrar of the Institute shall be Secretary of the Council.</p>		
<p>Visitor.</p> <p>5. There shall be a Visitor for the Institute:</p> <p>(1) The visitor shall be the President of the Federal republic of Nigeria and shall be responsible for</p> <p>(2) Giving to the council direction of a general character, as to discharge of its functions in relation to matters of public interest.</p> <p>(3) Intervening where there is a deadlock or crisis that goes beyond the powers of the council.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	
<p>6. -(1) The Governance of the Institute and the direction of its affairs shall vest in the Governing Council of the Institute (in the Act referred to as the Council),</p> <p>(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) of this section and subject to this Act the Council</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

shall have the power to consider and approve:

(a) The strategic plan of activities of the Institute.

(b) The academic programme, courses and research to be undertaken by the institute.

(c) The annual budget of the Institute; and

(d) Curricular and programmes taught in the Institute.

(3) The Council may, subject to the provision of the Act, employ such number and category of officers as may be expedient for the proper running of the Institute.

(4) The Council may make staff regulation relating to schedule of the terms and condition of service of its civilian employees and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing such regulations may provide for:

(a) The appointment, remuneration, promotion, tenure and discipline of civilian employees, as are made under any instrument relating to the condition of service of officers and junior staff in the civil service of the federation or those in the National Universities structure shall be applicable with such modifications as may be necessary to the civilian employees of the Institute.

(b) Until such regulations are made any instrument relating to the condition of service of officers and junior staff in the civil service of the federation or those in the National Universities structure shall be applicable with such modifications as may be necessary to the civilian employee.

(c) The Council shall have power to create any office or department, necessary for the efficient running of the Institute.

(5) The decision of the Council on all matters pertaining to training, assessment, and certificate, award of degrees, academic titles, fellowship and discipline of participants shall be final.

<p>Meetings.</p> <p>7. The Council shall meet as at and when necessary for the performance of its functions under this Act, and shall meet at least twice a year in accordance with the provisions of this Act as contained in the schedule.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	
<p>PART III – ACADEMIC BOARD OF THE INSTITUTE AND THE SCHOOL BOARD</p> <p>The Academic Board.</p> <p>8. (1) There shall be an Academic Board which shall have control of the academic affairs of the Institute and, subject to the powers of the Governing Council, the Academic Board shall have the following functions, that is to:</p> <p>(a) Organize and control the teaching of academic courses and the examination thereto;</p> <p>(b) Determine the passes and failures of all courses in accordance with the criteria for passing as laid down in the academic assessment policy;</p> <p>(c) Deal with matters relating to admission into departments and schools;</p> <p>(d) Recommend to the Governing Council persons to be appointed as external examiners for the Diplomas, Degrees and Higher Degrees examination.</p> <p>(e) Deal with matters relating to research and development projects;</p> <p>(f) Any other functions assigned or delegated to it, from time to time, by the Governing Council.</p> <p>(2) The Academic Board shall consist of;</p> <p>(a) The Institute Provost, who shall be the Chairman;</p> <p>(b) The Deans of schools;</p>	<p>Retained.</p> <p>Retained.</p>	

<p>(c) The Heads of Academic Department;</p> <p>(d) All Professors, whether Heads of Departments or not;</p> <p>(e) Two military members of the Institute to be appointed by the Commandant; and</p> <p>(f) The Librarian of the institute</p> <p>(g) The Institute Registrar, who shall be the Secretary.</p>		
<p>School Board.</p> <p>9. – (1) There shall be established for the institute, schools in line with the various disciplines and departments under them as may be required.</p> <p>(2) There shall be established in respect of each School, a School Board which, subject to the provision of this statute and to the directions of the Institute Provost shall;</p> <p>(a) Regulate the teaching and study of, and the conduct of examinations connected with the subjects assigned to the school;</p> <p>(b) Deal with any other matter assigned to it by statute, or by the Institute Provost or by the Academic Board; and</p> <p>(c) Advise the Institute Provost or the Academic Board on any matter referred to it by the Institute Provost or by the Academic Board.</p> <p>(2) Each school shall be divided into such number of departments as may be prescribed.</p> <p>(3) Where a School consists of two or more departments, each department shall have its own board of studies, which shall be responsible to and be under the control of the Academic Board.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

<p>(4) Each school Board shall consist of:</p> <p>(a) The Dean of the School;</p> <p>(b) The persons severally in charge of the Departments of the school;</p> <p>(c) Such numbers of lecturers assigned to the School and having prescribed qualifications as the school Board may determine; and</p> <p>(d) Such numbers of persons whether or not members of the Institute as the School Board may with general or special approval.</p> <p>(5) The quorum of the school Board shall be two third of the members of the school Board, and subject to the provision of this statute and any provision made by regulations on this behalf, the School Board may regulate its own procedure.</p>		
<p>Dean of the School.</p> <p>10. – (1) The Dean of the School shall be appointed in such manner and hold office for such a time and subject to such conditions, as may be prescribed by regulations.</p> <p>(2) If there is no Professor in the School, the office of the Dean of the School shall be held by a member of the School holding the rank of reader or senior lecturer or senior military officer of comparative academic experience, on the basis of seniority as may be determined by the School Board,</p> <p>(3) The Dean shall be the Chairman at all meetings of the School Board when he is present and he shall be a member of all committees and other boards appointed by the school and when the Dean is absent from any meeting, the most senior member present shall preside in the meeting.</p> <p>(4) The Dean of the school shall exercise general superintendence over the academic and administrative affairs of the school, and it shall be the function of the Dean to present graduants for the confinement of</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

<p>Certificates, degrees, after having qualified at examinations held in the department.</p> <p>(5) The Dean of the school may be removed from office by the Commandant for good cause and in event of a vacancy occurring following the removal of a Dean, an acting Dean may be appointed by the Commandant provided that arrangement shall be made for a new Dean to be appointed in the manner prescribed within a period of three months from the date when the acting Dean assumed office.</p> <p>(6) For the purpose of subsection (5) of this section- “good cause” shall mean;</p> <p>(a) Suspected for any offence which the Commandant considers to be such as to render the person concerned unfit for the discharge of the functions of his office or</p> <p>(b) Any physical or mental incapacity which the Commandant, after obtaining medical advice, consider to be such as to render the person concerned unfit to continue to hold his office; or</p> <p>(c) Conducts which are of disciplinary nature such as scandalous or disgraceful and other offences, which the Commandant considers as what will render the person concerned unfit to continue to hold his office; or</p> <p>(d) Conducts which the Commandant considers to be such as failure or inability of the person concerned to discharge the function of his office or to comply with the terms and conditions of service; or</p> <p>(e) Conducts which the Commandant considers to generally or such nature as to render the continuous appointment or service of the person concerned prejudicial or detrimental to the Institute.</p>		
<p>Appointment of the Commandant.</p> <p>11. – (1) There shall be appointed for the Institute, a Commandant, whose appointment and removal from office shall be in accordance with military posting, and who shall be responsible to the Governing Council for:</p> <p>(a) Giving to the Governing Council such information on the activities of the Institute as the Chairman of the Council may require;</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

(b) Authorizing programmes and plans for giving effect to policy approved by the Governing Council or to any direction of the Governing Council, subject to all or any of the powers in this section as may be delegated to him by the Governing Council.

(2) The fact that any power has been delegated to the Commandant pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall not preclude the Governing Council itself from exercising them in any special case.

(3) The powers referred to in subsection (2) of this section shall include;

(a) The executive control over the military and civilian staff of the Institute;

(b) The supervision of accounts and records;

(c) The preparation for approval programmes and plans necessary to carry into effect approved policy or any directive of the Governing Council.

(d) The interpretation of such policy to other members of staff of the Institute;

(e) The making of any recommendation on members of staff to the Governing Council and

(f) The establishment of organizational structures committee and definitions of duties;

Provided that nothing in this Act shall be deemed to detract from the military powers of command of the Commandant, which shall include trial powers to try service personnel in accordance with the Armed Forces Act, Cap. A20, LFN, 2004 (as amended).

(4) The Commandant shall in the exercise of his disciplinary powers have similar powers to that of an Air Officer Commanding or its equivalent in the conduct of summary trial or convening a court martial under the Armed Forces Act, Cap. A20, LFN, 2004 (as amended).

<p>Appointment of Principal Staff Officer Coordination. 12. There shall be appointed for the Institute a Principal Staff Officer Coordinator, whose appointment and removal from office shall be in accordance with military posting, and who shall assist the Commandant in the running of the Institute in accordance with the provision of this Act.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	
<p>Appointment of the Provost. 13. There shall be appointed an Institute Provost (in this Act referred to as "the Provost") who shall be responsible to the Commandant for the coordination of all academic activities of the Institute, be the head of Academic Branch and shall perform such other functions as the Governing Council or the Commandant as the case may be, shall assign to him from time to time. The provost shall have not less than a PhD in Engineering and at least eight (8) years cognate working experience.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	
<p>Appointment of Institute Registrar. 14. There shall be Institute Registrar, who shall be responsible to the Provost for the day-to-day administrative work of the Academic Branch. The registrar shall possess not less than a first degree or its equivalent in Engineering. Membership of a professional body shall be an advantage.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	
<p>Appointment of Institute Librarian. 15. There shall be an Institute Librarian who shall be responsible to the Provost for the administration of the library services in the Institute and its Schools and Departments.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	
<p>Appointment of Principal Officers of the Institute. 16. - (1) When a vacancy occurs in the offices of the Registrar and the Librarian of the Institute, HQ NAF will fill the vacancies accordingly whilst Appointment of Principal Officers of the Institute, Heads of non-academic positions, a selection committee shall be constituted consisting of:</p> <p>(a) the Commandant;</p> <p>(b) the Principal Staff Officer Coordination;</p> <p>(c) the Provost; and</p> <p>(d) Two members appointed by the Academic Board.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

<p>(2) The selection Committee after making such inquiries as it thinks fit shall recommend a candidate to the Council for appointment to the vacant post and after considering the recommendation of the selection committee, the Council may make an appointment to that post.</p>		
<p>Appointment of other Non-Academic staff of the Institute. 17. - (1) An interview panel to interview candidates, not above the grade of a senior lecturer or equivalent shall be constituted consisting of:</p> <p>(a) The institute Provost who shall be the Chairman;</p> <p>(b) The Deans of the relevant School;</p> <p>(c) The Heads of the Departments concerned, except that if the Head of Departments is himself a candidate, he shall not serve on the interview panel;</p> <p>(d) The Institute Registrar, who shall be the secretary of the interview panel;</p> <p>(e) At least two persons recommended by the Dean to the provost and such persons must have knowledge of the subject or field in respect of which candidates are being assessed or interviewed, and must not be of lower status than that of the post being interviewed for.</p> <p>(2) For the purpose of filling any vacancies occurring in the post of Professor or Reader, an Academic committee set up under subsection (3) of this section, shall sit as a selection board. To select and recommend to the Institute Governing Council, suitable persons to fill the vacant posts.</p> <p>(3) The Academic committee, when sitting as a selection board, under sub-section (2) of this section, shall consist of:</p> <p>(a) The Commandant;</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

<p>(b) The Provost;</p> <p>(c) The Dean of the School concerned;</p> <p>(d) Two members of the Committee appointed by the Governing Council, one of who shall be a member of staff of the School or academic unit concerned.</p> <p>(e) Two other persons who are not members of the academic staff, appointed from time to time, by the Governing Council; and</p> <p>(f) The Registrar who shall be the Secretary.</p> <p>(4) The Governing Council shall have the power to interview candidates directly.</p>		
<p>Other Staff.</p> <p>18. - (1) The Nigerian Air Force shall post officers and Airmen from time to time to fill administrative, teaching and other military or academic vacancies in the Institute.</p> <p>(2) The Governing Council may appoint such persons as civilian members of the academic staff of the Institute for teaching, research, academic and administration as it considers necessary and may approve terms and conditions of service including provisions for the payment of pensions.</p> <p>(3) Members of staff of the Institute shall, unless exempted by the Chairman of the Council, take oaths of secrecy on assumption of duty and as may be determined from time to time.</p> <p>(4) No civilian personnel employed in any capacity, whether or not a member of a trade union shall engage or take part in any strike.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

<p>PART IV- FINANCIAL PROVISION</p> <p>Management of the Institute Fund.</p> <p>19.- The Institute shall establish and maintain a fund, the management and control of which shall be in the hands of the Governing Council and into which shall be paid:</p> <p>(1) All moneys received by the Council pursuant to these Act.</p> <p>(2) Such moneys as may be provided by the Federal Government to the Institute by way of grant, gift or otherwise.</p> <p>(3) All fees and other moneys payable to the Institute pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.</p>	<p>Retained.</p> <p>Retained.</p>	
<p>Expenditure.</p> <p>20. There shall be paid out of the fund of the Institute-</p> <p>(1) All expenditure incurred by the council in the discharge of its functions under this Act.</p> <p>(2) The remuneration and allowances of the Registrar and other employee of the Institute.</p> <p>(3) Such reasonable travelling and subsistence allowance of the members of the Council in respect of the time spent on the duties of the Institute, as Management of Institute fund.</p> <p>(4) The Council may, from time to time honour money for the purpose of the Institute and any interest payable on moneys so borrowed shall be paid out of the fund.</p> <p>(5) The Institute shall keep accounts in respect of each year and proper records in relation to those accounts to be audited by an auditor appointed from the list and in accordance with the guidance supplied by the Auditor-General of the Federation.</p> <p>(6) The auditor appointed for the purpose of this section, shall not be a member of the Council.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

<p>PART V- GENERAL PROVISION</p> <p>Method of Resignation.</p> <p>21. - (1) Any officer referred to in the provisions of this Act may resign his office in line with the terms and conditions in the Civil Service or National Universities with such modifications as may be necessary to the civilian employee:</p> <p>(a) In line with military tradition; or</p> <p>(b) If civilian, by notice to the Governing Council, through the Commandant.</p> <p>(2) Subject as may be otherwise specified, a person who has ceased to hold an office so mentioned otherwise than by removal for misconduct, shall be eligible for re-appointment to that office.</p>	<p>Retained.</p> <p>Retained.</p>	
<p>Interpretation.</p> <p>22. In this Bill, unless the context otherwise require-</p> <p>"Council" means the council established as the Governing Council of the Institute.</p> <p>"Fee" includes registration fees.</p> <p>"Institute" means the Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna.</p> <p>"Members" includes member of the Governing Council of the Institute.</p> <p>"Registrar" means the registrar appointed pursuant to the provision of the Bill.</p> <p>"Commandant" means the Commandant appointed pursuant to the Provision of this Bill.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	
<p>Short Title.</p> <p>23. This Bill may be cited as the Air Force Institute of Technology (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2016.</p>	<p>Retained.</p>	

SCHEDULE

Retained.

Section 6 (4)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

(1) Subject to this Act and to section 27 of the Interpretation Act (which provides for the decisions of a statutory body to be taken by a majority of the members of the body and for the persons presiding to have a second or casting vote), the Council may make standing orders regulating its proceedings or of any committee thereof.

(2) The quorum of the Council shall be the Chairman and six (6) other members and the quorum of any committee of the Council shall be determined by the Council.

(3) The Council shall meet whenever it is summoned by the Chairman and if the Chairman required it to do so by the notice given to him by the Commandant or Registrar of the Institute, he shall summon a meeting of the Council to be held within seven days from date on which the notice is given.

(4) The Chairman shall preside over the meeting of the Council, in the event of his absence he shall delegate any member of the council to represent him and carry out the responsibilities of the Chairman at that particular meeting or meetings subject to the mandate given by the Chairman.

(5) Where the Council wishes to obtain the advice of any person on any particular matter, the Council may co-opt him as a member for such period as it thinks fit, but a person who is a member by virtue of this subsection shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Council and not count towards a quorum.

Committees

(6) The Council may appoint one or more committees to carry out on behalf of the Council, such of its function as the Council may determine.

(7) A Committee appointed under sub-section (6) of this section shall consist of such number of person as may be determined by the Council and not more than one third of those persons who are members of the Council; a person other than a member of the Council shall hold office on the committee in accordance with terms of the instrument of his appointment.

(8) A decision of a committee of the Council shall be of no effect until it is ratified by the Council.

(9) The fixing of the seal of the Institute shall be authorized by the signature of the Chairman or some other member authorized generally or specially by the Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to Establish the Air Force Technology Institute, Kaduna to give technical training to the Personnel of the Nigerian Air Force, and other service of the Nigerian Armed Forces, Nigerians and other African Countries.