SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 5th May, 2016

1. The Senate met at 11:02 a.m. The Senate President read Prayers.

2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 4th May, 2016.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Announcements:**
(a) Notice of Public Hearing:
The Senate President read a letter from Senator Abdul-Aziz M. Nyako (*Adamawa Central*) as follows:

Senator Abdul-Aziz Murtala Nyako
Adamawa Central Senatorial District

His Excellency,
Senator (Dr.)Abubakar Olubukola Saraki, CON,
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria,
Abuja.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

This is to invite Your Excellency and all Distinguished Senators to the Public Hearing on a Bill for an Act to Establish the North East Development Commission as follows:

Date:- *Monday, 9th - Tuesday, 10th May, 2016*

Time:- *10.00 a.m. Prompt*

Venue:- *Senate Conference Hall, Room 231, New Building, National Assembly Complex, Abuja.*

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Please accept the assurances of my highest esteem.

Yours Sincerely,
(Signed)
Senator Abdul-Aziz M. Nyako
Chairman

(b) Notification of Local Travel:

The Senate President read a letter from Senator Godswill O. Akpabio (*Akwa Ibom North-West*) as follows:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
OFFICE OF THE SENATE MINORITY LEADER

Senator Dr. Bukola Saraki, CON *May 4, 2016*
The Senate President
National Assembly Complex
Abuja

Your Excellency,

NOTIFICATION OF LOCAL TRAVEL

The Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) Local Government/State Congresses will commence on Tuesday, May 10, 2016. All PDP Senators are expected to attend in their various Local Governments/States.

Accordingly, I plead with His Excellency, The Senate President and our Colleagues to consider an adjournment for a few days to enable us (PDP Senators) attend to our Party obligations.

Your kind consideration will be highly appreciated.

Do accept the assurances of my highest regards.

Yours Sincerely,
(Signed)
Senator Godswill O. Akpabio, CON
SENATE MINORITY LEADER

(c) Acknowledgement:

The Senate President acknowledged the presence of the following who were in the gallery to observe Senate Proceedings:

(*i*) Members of National Association of Ebonyi State Students, University of Abuja Chapter, Gwagwalada, Abuja; and

(*ii*) Staff and Students of Word of Faith Group of Schools, Area 1,Garki, Abuja.

Petition laid and accordingly referred to the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions [Rule 41(3)] to report within two (2) weeks.

5. Privileges:

Rising on Rule 14 and 15, Senator Dino Melaye *(Kogi West)* drew the attention of the Senate to the Vanguard Newspaper publication of Thursday, 5th May, 2016 which misquoted the Northern Senators Forum's resolutions on attacks by cattle herdsmen. He urged the media to always report accurately.

6. Presentation of Bills:

(*i*) Federal Audit Service Commission Bill, 2016 (HB. 107).

Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

(*ii*) Capital Expenditure Budget Roll-Over Bill, 2016 (HB. 164).

Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

(*iii*) Chartered Institute of Finance and Control of Nigeria (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2016 (SB.172).

Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

(*iv*) National Institute of Credit Administrators (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2016 (SB. 153).

Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

(*v*) National Health Insurance Act CAP 2003 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2016 (SB. 278).

Presentation of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

7. Motions:

(a) Financial Inclusion: A tool for Socio-Economic Development and Stability:

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(b) Fire Incident involving victims of insurgency from Nigeria in Gagamari Refugee Camp, Diffa State, Niger Republic:

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(c) The demise of six (6) prominent medical doctors and their driver from Ekiti State in a ghastly motor accident along Abuja - Kaduna Expressway:

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

(d) Senate Intervention on the Reforms and Strengthening of Local Government Administration in Nigeria:

Consideration of Motion deferred to another Legislative Day.

8. Ad hoc Committee on Import Duty Waivers, Concessions and Grants:
Report on the indiscriminate use and abuse of Waivers:

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

9. Chartered Institute of Management Accountants of Nigeria Bill, 2016 (SB.236):

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

10. Foreign Exchange (Monitoring and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, CAP F34, LFN 2004, (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2016 (SB.181):

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

11. Adjournment:
Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Thursday, 12th May, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. (*Deputy Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 11:23 *a.m.*

Abubakar Olubukola Saraki, CON
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.