



THE SENATE

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 30th May, 2018

1. The Senate met at 10:53 a.m. The Senate President read Prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 24th May, 2018.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

3. **Announcements:**

(a) **Meeting:**

The Senate President read a letter from Senator Bukar Abba Ibrahim (*Yobe East*) as follows:



The Senate
Senator (Dr.) Bukar Abba Ibrahim

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Nigerian Chapter of Global Legislators Organisation for a Balanced Environment (GLOBE Nigeria) cordially reminds her members of today's meeting by 1pm at Senate Meeting Room 117.

Your attendance is encouraged as some crucial decisions will be taken.

(Signed)

Senator (Dr.) Bukar Abba Ibrahim, CON

Wednesday, 30th May, 2018

(b) **Conference Committee:**

The Senate President named the following Senators as Conferees on Nigeria Football Federation (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018:

(i)	Senator Obinna J. Ogba	—	Chairman
(ii)	Senator Shehu Sani	—	Member
(iii)	Senator Samuel N. Anyanwu	—	Member
(iv)	Senator Ahmed S. Ogembe	—	Member
(v)	Senator Isah H. Misau	—	Member
(vi)	Senator Duro S. Faseyi	—	Member

(c) Conference Committee:

The Senate President named the following Senators as Conferees on Federal Audit Service Commission Bill, 2018:

(i)	Senator Matthew A. Urhoghide	—	Chairman
(ii)	Senator Gbolahan J. Dada	—	Member
(iii)	Senator Yahaya A. Abdullahi	—	Member
(iv)	Senator Mao A. Oluabunwa	—	Member
(v)	Senator Baba Kaka B. Garbai	—	Member
(vi)	Senator Albert B. Akpan	—	Member

(d) Acknowledgment:

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

- (i) Members of Students Representative Council, Federal Polytechnic, Bida, Niger State; and
- (ii) Members of Community of Tiv Students, University of Abuja Chapter, Abuja.

4. Petition:

Rising on Rule 41, Senator Osinakachukwu T. Ideozu (*Rivers West*) drew the attention of the Senate to a petition from his constituent, His Excellency, Tele Ikuru, Former Deputy Governor, Rivers State, on behalf of Rivers State Leaders' Forum, against the Nigeria Police, over threat to free and fair election in 2019 in Rivers State. He urged the Senate to look into the matter.

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

5. Matter of Urgent Public Importance:

Rising on Rule 42, Senator Yahaya A. Abdullahi (*Kebbi North*) drew the attention of the Senate to the Tuesday, 5th May, 2018 wind and rainstorm that affected numerous properties in his Constituency. He sought and obtained the leave of the Senate to present the matter.

Matter to stand over to the next Legislative Day [Rule 42(2)].

6. Matter of Urgent Public Importance:

Rising on Rule 42, Senator Abdullahi A. Gumel (*Jigawa North-West*) drew the attention of the Senate to the violent rainfall which destroyed over 200 houses in his Constituency. He sought and obtained the leave of the Senate to present the matter.

Matter to stand over to the next Legislative Day [Rule 42(2)].

7. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Barnabas A. I. Gemade (*Benue North-East*) expressed his appreciation to the Senate President and the Leadership over their visit to Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) Camp in Benue State. Benue State has been under attacks by armed bandits, resulting in several killings and destruction of properties. The Senate Leadership held 2018 Children's Day Celebration at Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) Camp with a promise to improve the children school facilities and provisions of clinical facilities. He further thanked the leadership on behalf of other Benue State Senators and prayed to God Almighty to grant them wisdom and strength in their service to Nigeria and humanity.

By leave of the Senate, other Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) Camps in Taraba and Zamfara States would be visited to sympathise with victims and the relevant Committees were mandated to intensify oversight.

8. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Rule 43, Senator Isah H. Misau (*Bauchi Central*) drew the attention of the Senate to the Tuesday, 29th May, 2018, democracy lecture delivered by Prof. Attahiru Jega, former Chairman, Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) where he alleged that some National Assembly Committees' Chairmen were corrupt, demanding gratifications from Heads of Ministries, Departments and Agencies; and Vice Chancellors in the course of their oversight function. He observed that the programme was transmitted live without specifically mentioning the Committees Chairmen involved. He stated that this has impugned on his privilege as a Senator.

The Senate and indeed the National Assembly have always been at the forefront in fighting corruption in Nigeria and as such would not shield corrupt legislator(s).

9. Privileges:

Rising on Rule 14, Senator Dino Melaye (*Kogi West*) drew the attention of the Senate to his detention ordeal in the hands of the Nigeria Police Force. He thanked God for his triumph after two (2) attempts to kill him. He also expressed appreciation to the Senate Leadership, Distinguished Senators, Hon. Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives for their love, concern and standing up for the Nigerian democracy. He acknowledged the role of his Constituents for standing by him in the failed Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) recall exercise. He also expressed his gratitude to the Chairman, Peoples Democratic Party (PDP), Kogi State and Kogi State indigenes for their support and protection of democracy. He emphasised that the totality of these support would further spur him to speak out against injustice in Nigeria.

By leave of the Senate, the National Assembly would continue to speak with one voice and protect every Parliamentarian in the service of our country.

10. Presentation of Bills:

- (i) Coastal and Inland Shipping (Cabotage) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (HB.529) — *Read the First Time.*
- (ii) Extradition Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (HB. 1187) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iii) Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation Act 2006 (Repeal and Re- Enactment) Bill, 2018 (HB.984) — *read the First Time.*
- (iv) Police Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB. 683) — *Read the First Time.*
- (v) Federal College of Education Mutum Biyu, Taraba State (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB.683) — *Read the First Time.*

11. Motions:

- (a) ***The Growing Trend of Sexual Harassment in the Higher Institutions of Learning: the Case of Miss. Monica Osagie:***

Motion made: That the Senate observes the growing menace and the growing culture of sexual harassment in our institutions of higher learning; and the psychological, physiological and emotional damage, perverts in our places of learning are bringing upon our children in school as a result;

notes that it was for this reason in October 2016, the Senate passed the Sexual Harassment in Tertiary Educational Institutions (Prohibition) Bill, and prescribed severe punishment for lecturers and academic staff of universities, who either sexually harass or assault their male or female students;

acknowledges that the case of the brave Nigerian and student of the Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU). Miss. Monica Osagie who in an audio recording which went viral was able to expose her lecturer demanding for sex in order to increase her grades. This has further brought home the point, further justifying the specificity and target of the new bill; and the need to ensure that this perversion is completely kicked out of our places of learning;

understands that the university authorities have since weighed in on the matter to ensure Justice is done;

further notes that this is another matter that must not be swept under the carpet of expediency, forgetfulness or deliberate abandonment;

notices further that this particular case deserves greater scrutiny and attention as it signposts how serious we are as a nation to fully and exhaustively eliminate this perversion from our schools;

further worried that this is just one out of the many cases that have come to limelight within the past decade and it shows that the pervasion is spreading across the country, with both the male and female gender as victims especially in view of the poor prosecution and conviction numbers being turned out;

further notes that on a nearly daily basis our newspapers are awash with reports of rape and other sexual violence; and we must, as the people's parliament, bring them succor and safety; and

observes that these acts damage our children in very significant ways. That it also portray our country in bad light and are alien to both our cultural and religious orientation as a people.

Accordingly resolves to:

- (i) mandate the Committees on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND; and Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters to carry-out a full scale investigation of the case of Monica Osagie and the Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU) lecturer in order to ensure that there is transparency and accountability, and that satisfactory justice is done to the Victim involved and our laws are further strengthened for effectiveness;
- (ii) invite the OAU authorities to explain the steps they have taken and the outcome of their internal investigation on the matter as well as institutional reviews it has carried out, together with such further proposals aimed at nipping the problem in the buds; and
- (iii) urge the House of Representatives to move quickly to concur with the Senate bill on Sexual Harassment in Tertiary Educational Institutions (Prohibition) bill which has been transmitted to the House as this will provide succor and a window of solace for victims of these kind of atrocities across the country in our higher institutions of learning (*Senator Biodun C. Olujimi — Ekiti South*).

Debate:

Proposed Resolution(i):

Question: That the Senate do mandate the Committees on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND; and Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters to carry-out a full scale investigation of the case of Monica Osagie and the Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU) lecturer in order to ensure that there is transparency and accountability, and that satisfactory justice is done to the Victim involved and our laws are further strengthened for effectiveness — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution(ii):

Question: That the Senate do invite the OAU authorities to explain the steps they have taken and the outcome of their internal investigation on the matter as well as institutional reviews it has carried out, together with such further proposals aimed at nipping the problem in the buds — *Negatived.*

Proposed Resolution(iii):

Question: That the Senate do urge the House of Representatives to move quickly to concur with the Senate bill on Sexual Harassment in Tertiary Educational Institutions (Prohibition) bill which has been transmitted to the House as this will provide succor and a window of solace for victims of these kind of atrocities across the country in our higher institutions of learning — *Agreed to.*

Resolved:

That the Senate do:

- (i) mandate the Committees on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND; and Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters to carry-out a full scale investigation of the case of Monica Osagie and the Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU) lecturer in order to ensure that there is transparency and accountability, and that satisfactory justice is done to the Victim involved and our laws are further strengthened for effectiveness; and
 - (ii) urge the House of Representatives to move quickly to concur with the Senate bill on Sexual Harassment in Tertiary Educational Institutions (Prohibition) bill which has been transmitted to the House as this will provide succor and a window of solace for victims of these kind of atrocities across the country in our higher institutions of learning (S/Res/265/03/18).
- (b) ***Illegal confinement of underage offenders and infants in the same Prison with adult prisoners:***

Motion made: That the Senate notes that Section 1 of the Child's Right Act provides that: "In every action concerning a child, whether undertaken by an individual, public or private body, institutions or services, court of law, or administrative or legislative authority, the best interest of the child shall be the primary consideration.";

notes that by the provisions of the Prisons (Regulations) Act juvenile offenders under sixteen (16) years of age and infants are not allowed by law to be confined in the same prisons with adult offenders;

worried that the negative implication of keeping underage children in conventional Prison is that they will mix up with adult inmates who are likely to influence them negatively, using manipulation techniques to espouse and enforce beliefs and practice that create a paranoid view of the outside society;

further worried by the vulnerable state of the underage children and the fact that one of the fertile grounds for radicalization and mental subversion is the Prison;

aware that Correctional Homes and Children's Homes are established for the purposes of remanding underage offenders and caring for children born within the prisons walls, respectively;

informed by the contents of pages 13 to 15 of The Nation (newspaper) Saturday, March 31, 2018 with the caption "Kids Behind Bars: World of Underage Languishing in Prison" that due to insensitivity and dereliction of duty, the Police Prosecutors encourage these underage offenders to inflate their ages during arraignments in Courts, promising them that inflating their age' would lead to their release;

notes that report by the same newspaper, quoting a top prison official: "We don't prosecute suspects. Ours is to keep them in custody, and it is people that the police bring here that we detain. When we see underage children, we know them by their looks, but we cannot reject them when the Police bring them here. The Police often force such children to claim to be older than they are so that the Magistrate would not reject them. They always give the suspect the impression that it would facilitate their release, but what they are actually doing is to do away with the stress of taking them to correctional homes.";

concerned that the majority of these underage children opt to be tried in Courts without any legal representation, following the advice of some over-zealous prosecutors, unaware of the dire consequences;

further informed by the contents of the same Nation newspaper of Saturday, April 7, 2018 that female Prisoners put to bed in Prisons without adequate provisions and arrangements for the care and development of such children;

recalls that the laws stipulate that any child born within the prison walls should not be allowed to remain inside the prison with the mother after eighteen (18) months; meant for the crucial breastfeeding and bonding stage;

further worried that the repercussions of keeping infants in prisons with mothers are enormous ranging from making them scape-goats for their mothers' offence, lack of proper upbringing, health implications, psychological damage to estrangement from the larger society etc;

convinced that separating the underage offenders and the innocent infants from the regular prisons as prescribed by the law would go a long way in protecting their mental health and development; and

further convinced that establishing more Juvenile Remand/Correctional Homes and Children's Homes (Creches) across the nation will purge the regular prisons of illegal confinement of the underage offenders and infants.

Accordingly resolves to:

- (i) urge the Legal Aid Council to step up efforts to ensure that the underage children are not prosecuted without legal representation in Courts;
- (ii) urge the Federal Government to establish more Juvenile Remand/Correctional Homes and, Creches attached to all female Prisons across the nation;
- (iii) urge various security agencies that are involved in the arrest and detention of the juvenile to ensure that they are not incarcerated beyond 48 hours and when conviction is secured, ensure they are separated from the adults inmates; and
- (iv) mandate the Committee on Interior to invite the Comptroller-General of Prisons to brief it on the state of Prison inmates in Nigeria; and to investigate the confinement of underage offenders and infants with adults in our Prisons and report to the Senate within four (4) weeks (*Senator Victor C. Umeh — Anambra Central*).

Debate:

Proposed Resolution(i):

Question: That the Senate do urge the Legal Aid Council to step up efforts to ensure that the underage children are not prosecuted without legal representation in Courts — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution(ii):

Question: That the Senate do urge the Federal Government to establish more Juvenile Remand/Correctional Homes and, Creches attached to all female Prisons across the nation — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution(iii):

Question: That the Senate do urge various security agencies that are involved in the arrest and detention of the juvenile to ensure that they are not incarcerated beyond 48 hours and when conviction is secured, ensure they are separated from the adults inmates — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution(iv):

Question: That the Senate do mandate the Committee on Interior to invite the Comptroller-General of Prisons to brief it on the state of Prison inmates in Nigeria; and to investigate the confinement of underage offenders and infants with adults in our Prisons and report to the Senate within four (4) weeks — *Agreed to.*

Resolved:

That the Senate do:

- (i) urge the Legal Aid Council to step up efforts to ensure that the underage children are not prosecuted without legal representation in Courts;
- (ii) urge the Federal Government to establish more Juvenile Remand/Correctional Homes and, Creches attached to all female Prisons across the nation;
- (iii) urge various security agencies that are involved in the arrest and detention of the juvenile to ensure that they are not incarcerated beyond 48 hours and when conviction is secured, ensure they are separated from the adults inmates; and
- (iv) mandate the Committee on Interior to invite the Comptroller-General of Prisons to brief it on the state of Prison inmates in Nigeria; and to investigate the confinement of underage offenders and infants with adults in our Prisons and report to the Senate within four (4) weeks (S/Res/266/03/18).

12. Conference Committee:

Report on the Nigerian Financial Intelligence Agency (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 535):

Motion made: That the Senate do receive and consider the Conference Committee Report on the Nigerian Financial Intelligence Agency (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (*Senator Utazi G. Chukwuka — Enugu North*).

Report Laid and presented:

Question put and agreed to.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON THE BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NIGERIAN FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE UNIT, NFIU.**INTRODUCTION**

The Conference Committee Report on the bill for an Act to establish the Nigerian Financial Intelligence Unit was taken in this Chambers on Wednesday, March 7, 2018.

Traditionally, the bill was sent to the Legal Directorate of the National Assembly to clean up the bill to enable the Clerk transmit same to the President for his assent. The Legal Services Directorate made some observations that required further legislative action.

FURTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION

In view of this, the Conference Committee met again to fine-tune the areas of concern which the Directorate pointed out. To this effect therefore, the following recommendations have been made:

1. The Directorate recommended the provision of the certainty of percentage of interest under Section 25 (5). The Committee hereby recommends the insertion of the words "being 10% of the penalty" immediately after the word "interest".
2. Under Section 27, the Directorate observed that there should be a provision of a specific amount as penalty for obstruction. To that effect, the Committee recommends that Section 27 (1) (a) and (b) of the bill should read thus:

- 27 (1) (a) in the case of an individual, to an imprisonment for a term of not less than three years or to a fine of two Hundred Thousand Naira for everyday the obstruction persists, and
- (b) In the case of an entity, to a fine of One Million Naira for everyday the obstruction persists.

RECOMMENDATION

The Conference Committee therefore recommends the adoption of the above recommendations to be included in the clean copy of the bill to be sent to the President for his assent.

A bill for an Act to establish the Nigerian Financial Intelligence Unit as the central body in Nigeria responsible for receiving, requesting, analysing and disseminating financial intelligence reports and other information to law enforcement, security and intelligence agencies and other relevant authorities and for related matters, 2018

Clause 25: Administrative Penalties

- (1) - do -
- (2) - do -
- (3) - do -
- (4) - do -
- (5) A penalty imposed under this Section is payable to the Unit not later than two working days from the date of the award and interest, being 10% of the penalty, shall accrue each day once the award is due for payment and not discharged.
- (6) - do -
- (7) - do -

Clause 27: Obstruction of the Agency or authorized Officer

- (1) - do -
- (a) in the case of an individual, to an imprisonment for a term of not less than three years or to a fine of Two Hundred Thousand Naira for everyday the obstruction persists, and
- (b) in the case of an entity, to a fine of One Million Naira for everyday the obstruction persists.
- (2) Any other regulatory authority may, on the recommendation of the Unit, withdraw the licence of any person or entity who contravenes the provisions of subsection (1) of this Section.

(Signed)

Senator Chukwuka Utazi
Chairman

Hon. Kayode Oladele
Co-Chairman

Report accordingly adopted.

13. **Licensing and Regulation of Private Detectives and Investigators Bill, 2018 (SB.436):**

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to provide for the Licensing and Regulation of Private Detectives and Investigators and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2018 be read the Second Time (Senator Ike Ekweremadu — Enugu West).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on National Security and Intelligence to report within Four (4) weeks.

14. Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board Act CAP J1 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB.625):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to amend the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board Act CAP J1 LFN 2004 and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Barau I. Jibrin — Kano North*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND to report within Four (4) weeks.

15. Education (National Minimum Standards and Establishment of Institutions) Act CAP E3 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB.559):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to amend Education (National Minimum Standards and Establishment of Institutions) Act CAP E3 LFN 2004 and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Barau I. Jibrin — Kano North*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND to report within Four (4) weeks.

16. National Deposit Insurance Corporation Act CAP N102 LFN 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2018 (SB.626):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to repeal and re-enact the National Deposit Insurance Corporation Act CAP N102 LFN 2004 and for Related Matters, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Samuel N. Anyanwu — Imo East*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Banking, Insurance and Other Financial Institutions to report within Four (4) weeks.

17. Federal College of Forestry Toungo (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB.320):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to establish the Federal College of Forestry Toungo and for Other Related Matters, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Ahmad M. Abubakar — Adamawa South*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committees on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND; and Agriculture and Rural Development to report within Four (4) weeks.

18. Immigration Act (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB.230):

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

19. Federal High Court Act CAP F12 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (SB.648):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to amend the Federal High Court Act CAP F12 LFN 2004 and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Chukwuka G. Utazi — Enugu North*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters to report within Four (4) weeks.

Extension of Time:

Motion made: That the Senate do sit this day beyond the time appointed for the termination of the Sitting of the Senate (Rule 13) (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

20. Federal Polytechnic, Ikom, Cross River State (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 672):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the Federal Polytechnic, Ikom, Cross River State to provide full-time courses in technology, applied science management and other fields of studies and to make provisions for the general administration of the Polytechnic and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator John O. Enoch — Cross River Central*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND to report within Four (4) weeks.

21. Federal University of Education Aguleri, Anambra State (SB. 653):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the Federal University of Education Aguleri, Anambra State and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Victor C. Umeh — Anambra Central*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND to report within Four (4) weeks.

22. Federal College of Education Illo, Kebbi State (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB.620):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the Federal College of Education Illo, Kebbi State and for Other Related Matters, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Yahaya A. Abdullahi — Kebbi North*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND to report within Four (4) weeks.

23. **Federal College of Education (Technical) Aghoro, (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB.615):**
Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the Federal College of Education (Technical) Aghoro, Bayelsa State and for Other Matters Connected Therewith, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Foster Ogola — Bayelsa West*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND to report within Four (4) weeks.

24. **Nigerian Council for Psychologists (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB.625):**
Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to establish the Nigerian Council for Psychologists and for Other Related Matters, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Ben Murray-Bruce — Bayelsa East*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Establishment and Public Service to report within Four (4) weeks.

25. **Explosive Act CAP E18 LFN 2004 (Repeal and Re-enactment) Bill, 2018 (SB.250):**
Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Explosive Act CAP E18 LFN 2004 and Re-enact Explosive Bill, 2018 to make provision to Regulate the Manufacture, Possession, Use, Sale, Transportation, Export and Import of Explosives and Other Matters, 2018 be read the Second Time (*Senator Danjuma Laah — Kaduna South*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters to report within Four (4) weeks.

26. **National Planning Commission (Re-enactment) Bill, 2018 (SB.637):**

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

27. **National Institute for Counter Terrorism Research (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB.613):**

Consideration of Bill deferred to another Legislative Day.

28. **Conference Committee:**

Report on the Maritime University of Nigeria, Okerenkoko (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB.295):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

29. **Committee on Water Resources:**

Report on the National Water Resources (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2018 (SB. 479):

Consideration of Report deferred to another Legislative Day.

30. Adjournment:

Ant it being 2:14 p.m the Senate President adjourned the Senate till Thursday, 31st May, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjourned accordingly at 2:14 p.m.

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