



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 13 October, 2020

1. The House met at 11.15 a.m. Mr Speaker read the Prayers.
2. The House recited the National Pledge
3. **Votes and Proceedings**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the *Votes and Proceedings* of Thursday, 8 October, 2020.

The Votes and Proceedings was adopted by unanimous consent.

4. **Announcement**
 - (a) **Defection:**
Mr Speaker read a communication from Hon. Kolawole Lawal Wasiu (*Egbado South/Ipokia Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Allied Peoples Movement (APM) to the All Progressives Congress (APC).
 - (b) **Membership of the Special Ad-hoc Committee on Constitution Review:**
Mr Speaker named Hon. Ali Abdullahi Ibrahim as additional member of the Special Ad-hoc Committee on Constitution Review.

5. **Need to Stop Human Rights Abuses by the Special Anti Robbery Squad (SARS) of the Nigeria Police Force**
Mr Speaker referred to the House Resolution (**HR.51/10/2020**), on the activities of the Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) of the Nigeria Police Force and noted that the last 48 hours witnessed serious protests by members of the public, against the activities of the SARS. He also noted that the House of Representatives shares in the sentiments being expressed by the protesters and observed that during the protests, some innocent persons lost their lives and that the House would ensure that victims are compensated; while necessary legislative action will soon commence for the reform of the Nigeria Police Force. He called for a minute silence in honour of those that died during the protests.

A minute silence observed in honour of the deceased.

6. **Privilege (Order Six, Rule 1, 2 & 4)**

Hon. Henry Okon Archibong (*Itu/Ibiono Ibom Federal Constituency*), drew the attention of the House to a write-up in the social media alleging that Members of the National Assembly had received the sum of seven hundred million Naira (₦700,000,000.00) each for distribution to their constituents for Agricultural purposes. He noted that as a result of the write-up, many of his constituents had been bombarding him with calls, and threats to his life to share the money to them. He maintained that the write-up was not only false but an inhibition to effective performance of his duties as a Member of the House of Representatives and a breach of his privilege.

Ruling: Mr Speaker directed that the write-up be disregarded.

7. **Petitions**

- (i) A petition from Toyin Usman & Associates (Legal Practitioners), on behalf of members of the National Union of Food Beverages and Tobacco Employees, on illegal and unconstitutional elongation of tenure of office and postponement of election as the President of the Union by Lateef Idowu Oyebekan, was presented and laid by Hon. Agunsoye Oluwarotimi (*Kosofe Federal Constituency*);
- (ii) The following Petitions were presented and laid by Hon. Haruna Isa Dederi (*Karaye/Rogo Federal Constituency*):
- (a) Dr George Uboh, on the diversion of recovered assets by Chairmen (past and present) of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission;
- (b) Moshood Shehu & Associates (Legal Practitioners), on behalf of employees of Huawei Technologies Company Nigeria Limited, on ill-treatment and denial of their Fundamental Human Rights.
- (c) Mr Peace C. Obiallor, on non-payment of his salary by the University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Anambra State;
- (d) Madubuike Chijioku Esq. (Legal Practitioners), on behalf of the Association of International Traders, on the illegal 1.5% Administrative charge by West African Container Terminal Nigeria Limited, Federal Ocean Terminal Onne/Ikpokiri Oil and Gas Free Zone, Onne, Sea Port, Rivers State;
- (e) Gaul Gate Law (Legal Practitioners), on behalf of Victor Anichebe, on violation of his rights, intimidation and breach of contract by Beijing International;
- (f) Akin Fadeyi Foundation, on unlawful arrest and death of Kehinde Omotosho in the custody of officers of the State Criminal Investigation Division (CID), Nigeria Police, Iyaganku Police Command, Ibadan, Oyo State.

Petitions referred to the Committee on Public Petitions.

8. **A Bill for an Act to authorise the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of ₦13,082,420,568,233 (Thirteen Trillion, Eighty-Two Billion, Four Hundred and Twenty Million, Five Hundred and Sixty-Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Thirty-Three Naira) only, of which ₦484,488,471,273 (Four Hundred and Eighty-Four Billion, Four Hundred and Eighty-Eight Million, Four Hundred and Seventy-One Million, Two Hundred and Seventy-Three Thousand Naira) only, is for Statutory Transfers, ₦3,344,380,000,000 (Three Trillion, Three Hundred and Forty-Four Billion, Three Hundred and Eighty Billion Naira) only, is for Debt Service, ₦5,649,872,137,888 (Five Trillion, Six Hundred and Forty-Nine Billion, Eight-Hundred and Seventy-Two Million, One Hundred and Thirty-Seven Thousand, Eight Hundred and Eighty-Nine Naira) only, is for Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the sum**

of ₦3,603,679,959,070 (Three Trillion, Six Hundred and Three Billion, Six Hundred and Seventy-Nine Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty-Nine Thousand, Seventy Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for Capital Expenditure for the year ending 31 December, 2021 (HB.1069) — *Second Reading*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to authorise the issue from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Federation the total sum of ₦13,082,420,568,233 (Thirteen Trillion, Eighty-Two Billion, Four Hundred and Twenty Million, Five Hundred and Sixty-Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Thirty-Three Naira) only, of which ₦484,488,471,273 (Four Hundred and Eighty-Four Billion, Four Hundred and Eighty-Eight Million, Four Hundred and Seventy-One Million, Two Hundred and Seventy-Three Thousand Naira) only is for Statutory Transfers, ₦3,344,380,000,000 (Three Trillion, Three Hundred and Forty-Four Billion, Three Hundred and Eighty Billion Naira) only, is for Debt Service, ₦5,649,872,137,888 (Five Trillion, Six Hundred and Forty-Nine Billion, Eight-Hundred and Seventy-Two Million, One Hundred and Thirty-Seven Thousand, Eight Hundred and Eighty-Nine Naira) only, is for Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the sum of ₦3,603,679,959,070 (Three Trillion, Six Hundred and Three Billion, Six Hundred and Seventy-Nine Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty-Nine Thousand, Seventy Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for Capital Expenditure for the year ending 31 December, 2021 (HB.1069) be read a Second Time" (*Hon. Alhassan Ado Garba — House Leader*).

Debate.

Debate adjourned to the next allotted day.

9. **Adjournment**

That the House do adjourn till Wednesday, 14 October, 2020 at 10.00 a.m. (Hon. Alhassan Ado Garba — House Leader).

The House adjourned accordingly at 2.29 p.m.

Femi Hakeem Gbajabiamila
Speaker

