



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA  
ORDER PAPER  
Tuesday 9 March, 2021**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**BILLS**

1. Consolidation of Bills:
  - (a) A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Police Academy as a Degree Awarding Institution to Provide Academic and Professional Training; and for Related Matters (HBs. 90, 195) (*Hon. Mohammed Tahir Monguno, Hon. Ossai N. Ossai*;
  - (b) A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Police Academy as a Degree Awarding Institution to Provide Academic and Professional Training; and for Related Matters (*Hon. Gagdi Adamu Yusuf*) (HB. 684);
  - (c) A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Police Academy as a Degree Awarding Institution to Provide Academic and Professional Training; and for Related Matters (*Senate*).

## MOTION

### 2. **Reopening the International Wing of the Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano for International Flight Operations:**

**Hon. Alhassan Ado Doguwa:**

#### **The House:**

*Notes* that the ravaging COVID-19 Pandemic which started in Wuhan, China in late 2019 and subsequently spread to Nigeria in 2020, has constituted grave dangers to humanity, resulting in the loss of millions of lives across the world;

*Also notes* that the Federal Government acted rightly by constituting the Presidential Task Force (PTF) on COVID-19 headed by the Secretary to the Government of the Federation (SGF) with a broad spectrum of members, saddled with the mandate to determine Nigeria's local response to the pandemic;

*Recalls* that Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano is the oldest airport in Nigeria with the first aircraft landing in Kano in 1922 with commercial operations commencing in 1936, it also serves civilian and military flights, particularly the runway 05/23 which is dedicated to the Nigerian Airforce;

*Also recalls* that on 19 March 2020, among the urgent drastic responses to COVID-19 Pandemic was the closure of three out of the five International Airports in Nigeria namely; Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano, Akanu Ibiam International Airport, Enugu and Port Harcourt International Airport, Omagwa;

*Acknowledges* that if drastic steps had not been taken, the lives of Nigerians would have been exposed to the grave impact of the Corona Virus when the world was still in quandary on how to manage the pandemic;

*Concerned* that Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano has remained closed despite credence to the impact and importance of the Airport to Nigerian's citizens, foreigners, and the economy, etc.;

*Further recalls* that Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano serves 15 passenger airlines, which include Kabo Airline, Air peace, Aero contractors, Max Air, etc. being the local airlines and Egypt Air, Ethiopian Airlines, etc as International Airlines;

*Aware* that Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport is the hub of Muslim Pilgrimages in Northern Nigeria, alongside serving other exigencies like emergency medical evacuations and between the 2010 and 2015 it had a yearly average of 391,637 passengers flying the route for either business and pleasure;

*Cognizant* of the losses of jobs on account of the continued closure of the Airport as well as jeopardizing investments in the Information and Communications Technology, facilities and meteorological equipment which the government may not be able to repair immediately and so susceptible to malfunctioning contrary to the expectations in an industry that runs on the precision of judgement on anchored working equipment and facilities;

*Also concerned* that the other two Airports that were closed alongside Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport had resumed operations;

*Further concerned* that the continued closure of Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport has brought untold hardship in many dimensions from economic to social loss of revenue generated by Federal Airport Authority of Nigeria (FAAN) from the Airlines, other persons whose livelihoods are intrinsically linked to the operations of the Airport, such as car hire operators, retailers of different products etc.;

*Conscious* of the commitment of the 9<sup>th</sup> Assembly to work with the Executive Arm of Government in all areas to ensure the delivery of value and make life less stressful to Nigerians and non-Nigerians, make business environment more clement;

*Worried* that since Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport was closed alongside other airports on account of Corona Virus Pandemic, and all other airports across the country, even those of minimum impact and relevance have since re-opened, it, therefore, calls to question why an Airport of this historical profile, importance, economic status and significance is being kept out of operation;

*Resolves to:*

- (i) Urge the Presidential Taskforce on COVID–19 to urgently direct FAAN to place COVID–19 preventive protocols ahead of the formal re-opening of the International Wing of Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Aviation to interface with the Honourable Minister of Aviation to, without further delay, agree on a timeline to reopen Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport, Kano.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday, 9 March, 2021	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions <i>Hearing</i>	<i>(Investigative</i> Tuesday, 9 March, 2021	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex