



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (1)

Tuesday, 20th October, 2020

1. The Senate met at 10:50 a.m. The President of the Senate read prayers.

2. **Closed Session:**

Closed Session — 10:55 a.m.

Open Session — 12:41 p.m.

The President of the Senate reported that the Senate in a Closed Session deliberated on issues bordering on the workings of the Senate in particular and the National Assembly in general.

3. **Votes and Proceedings:**

The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Thursday, 15th October, 2020.

Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.

4. **Messages from Mr. President:**

The President of the Senate announced that he had received four (4) letters from Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, which he read as follows:

(a) **Confirmation of Appointment:**



FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

15th October, 2020

*Distinguished Senator Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.*

Dear Distinguished Senate President,

**REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF THE NOMINATION OF CHAIRMAN,
VICE CHAIRMAN & COMMISSIONER FOR THE NIGERIA ELECTRICITY
REGULATORY COMMISSION (NERC)**

Pursuant to Sections 34 and 40(1) of the Electricity Power Sector Reform Act, I hereby write to request for the confirmation, by the Senate the appointment of the following three (3) nominees as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Commissioner of the Nigeria Electricity Regulatory Commission ('NERC'). Their CVs are attached.

S/No.	Name	Position
(i)	Engineer Sanusi Garba	Executive Chairman
(ii)	Dr. Musiliu Olalekan Oseni	Executive Vice Chairman
(iii)	Aisha Mahmud	Commissioner

2. While hoping that the Senate will expeditiously consider this request, please accept, Distinguished Senate President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,
(Signed)
Muhammadu Buhari

(b) Transmission of Federal Capital Territory Revised 2020 Statutory Appropriation:


PRESIDENT
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

16th October, 2020

Distinguished Senator Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.

Dear Distinguished Senate President,

**TRANSMISSION OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY
(F.C.T), ABUJA REVISED 2020 STATUTORY APPROPRIATION**

Pursuant to Sections 121 - 122 and 299 of the 1999 Constitution (as amended), I forward herewith the Revised 2020 Statutory Appropriation of the Federal Capital Territory Administration, Abuja for the kind consideration and passage by the Senate. These revised estimates of revenue and expenditure are proposed in response to the lower revenues and higher personnel costs projected for the Federal Capital Territory Administration in the 2020 fiscal year, due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, as well as the decline in global, and domestic, economic performance.

While appreciating your usual expeditious consideration of this submission, please accept, Distinguished Senate President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,
(Signed)
Muhammadu Buhari



**PRESIDENT
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

16th October, 2020

*Distinguished Senator Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.*

Dear Distinguished Senate President,

**REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF
ONE (1) MEMBER OF THE POLICE SERVICE COMMISSION**

*In compliance with Section 154(1) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended), I hereby forward for confirmation by the Senate, the appointment of **Chief Onyemuche Nnamani** from South East as a member of the Police Service Commission, to complete his predecessor's tenure. His CV is attached herewith.*

The Senate is invited to kindly note that, this appointment is due to the demise of Dr. Nkemka O. Jombo-Ofo, member representing the South East Region.

It is my hope that the Senate will consider and confirm the nominee in the usual expeditious manner.

Please accept, Distinguished Senate President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

*Yours sincerely,
(Signed)
Muhammadu Buhari*

(d) Confirmation of Appointment:



**PRESIDENT
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

16th October, 2020

*Distinguished Senator Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan
President of the Senate,
Senate Chambers,
National Assembly Complex,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.*

Dear Distinguished Senate President,

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**REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN AND
MEMBERS OF THE FEDERAL COMPETITION AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
COMMISSION TRIBUNAL**

In accordance with the provision to Section 40(2) of the Federal Competition & Consumer

Protection Commission Act, 2018, I write to forward for the confirmation by the Senate, the following seven (7) nominees as Chairman and members of the Federal Competition and Consumer Protection Commission Tribunal. Their CVs are attached herewith.

S/No.	Name	Position	Zone
(i)	Mrs. Saratu Mama Shafi	Chairman	North Central
(ii)	George Chukwuma Mbonu	Member	South East
(iii)	Barr. Thomas E. Okosun	Member	South South
(iv)	Umar Dauda Duhu	Member	North East
(v)	Mr. Ibrahim EI-Yakubu	Member	North West
(vi)	Mrs. Sola Salako Ajulo	Member	South West
(vii)	Kenneth Tersoo Gyado	Member	North Central

It is my hope that the Senate will consider and confirm the nominees in the usual expeditious manner.

Please accept, Distinguished Senate President, the assurances of my highest consideration.

*Yours sincerely,
(Signed)
Muhammadu Buhari*

5. Announcements:

(a) Conference Committee:

The President of the Senate named the following Senators as Conferees on City University of Technology, Auchi:

(i)	Senator Ahmed Babba Kaita	—	Chairman
(ii)	Senator Sandy O. Onor	—	Member
(iii)	Senator Lawan Y. Gumau	—	Member
(iv)	Senator Hezekiah Dimka	—	Member
(v)	Senator Tolulope Odebiyi	—	Member
(vi)	Senator Samuel O. Egwu	—	Member

(b) All Progressive Congress (APC) Caucus Meeting:

The President of the Senate read a letter from Senator Yahaya A. Abdullahi (*Kebbi North*) as follows:

**MAJORITY LEADER
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA**

20th October, 2020.

APC CAUCUS MEETING



This is to inform all esteemed members of the All Progressive Congress (APC), the governing party that there will be a caucus meeting of our members as follows:

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Date: Tuesday, 20th October, 2020

Time: Immediately after plenary

Venue: Hearing Room 022

Attendance is mandatory please.

(Signed)

Senator Dr. Yahaya A. Abdullahi, OON

MAJORITY LEADER

6. Matter of Urgent Public Importance:

Rising on Orders 42 and 52, Senator Biodun C. Olujimi (*Ekiti South*) drew the attention of the Senate to the #EndSARS: Need for comprehensive and holistic reforms. She sought and obtained the leave of the Senate to present the matter forthwith:

The Senate:

notes that Police brutality in Nigeria can be traced to the colonial era when force was mainly used to suppress dissent against colonial rules, force the people to obey draconian policies and thwart protests against colonial repression;

further notes that some of the documented police brutalities in Nigeria during the colonial era are: the killing of twenty-one miners and wounding of fifty workers during the Enugu Colliery strike of 1949; suppression of the women's riot (December 1929-January 1930) in the Eastern parts of the country, which led to the death of fifty-five women and serious injury to more than fifty others and the quelling of the Tiv riot of 1960 where 19 civilians were allegedly killed and 83 injured;

aware that despite the constitutional provisions establishing the police force based on Section 214 (1) of the 1979 and 1999 Constitutions, Police brutality continued during the post-colonial era. The police was used as an instrument of oppression by politicians in the first and second republics, in other to harass the operation and keep themselves in power. During military rule the Police was used to suppress popular protest and agitations against military dictatorship;

further aware that the Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) was created in 1992 as a unit of the Nigerian Police Force to deal with crimes such as robbery, motor vehicle theft, kidnapping amongst others;

concerned that in June 2020, Amnesty International in a report; Time to End Impunity, documented that between January 2017 and May, 2020, there were 82 cases of torture, ill-treatments and extra-judicial killings of Nigerian citizens by the Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS);

further concerned that the latest #EndSARS protest, which has assumed a global dimension, began on 3 October, 2020, when the video of a SARS officer who allegedly shot a young Nigerian in Ughelli, Delta State, surfaced online;

worried that despite the disbandment of the SARS unit by the Inspector General of Police, Mohammed Adamu and the promise of implementing the demands of the protesters towards reforming the Police and ending brutality, the address by President Muhammadu Buhari on October 10, 2020 and the appeal of the Senate President, Distinguished Senator Ahmad Lawan to the protesters, the protests have increased in intensity and violence with socio-economic activities paralysed across Nigeria with some compatriots allegedly losing their lives in the ensuing melee;

further worried that the protests have now grown beyond the initial agitation to #EndSARS and #Endpolicebrutality to include the demands for good governance, accountability of government, reforms of key governmental institutions like INEC, Judiciary, Health, Power amongst others; and

accepts that as political leaders, we have a responsibility of protecting, providing succour and guiding our youths. We must therefore address the issues of emplacing appropriate policies that ensure economic growth, wealth creation and employment generation on the front burner.

Accordingly resolves to:

- (i) urge all tiers of government to put in place and sustain policies and programmes of socio-economic reforms that raise the standard and quality of life of our people, particularly youths who are leaders of tomorrow;
- (ii) urge the Nigeria Police and other Securities Agencies to operate strictly in accordance with the rules of engagement appropriate to a democratic environment that abjures the use of aggressive and brutal force against peaceful protesters;
- (iii) urge the Inspector General of Police to ensure a holistic, comprehensive reforms of the police to include the overhaul of the welfare, training and medical Insurance of all members of the Nigerian Police Force;
- (iv) appeal to all Nigerians to resort to use of legal and institutional channels of resolving conflicts and disputes instead of misusing Security Agencies to secure undue advantages;
- (v) urge the Nigerian youths and the Nigerian citizens to approach the National Assembly Committees on Constitutional Reforms in order to secure far-reaching and holistic amendments that are vital to the restructuring and re-shaping of our Federation to make it an inclusive and viable polity;
- (vi) urge the Federal Government to faithfully and comprehensively implement all the five demands of the #EndSARS movement and protesters; and
- (vii) urge the #EndSARS movement and protesters to suspend their actions and embrace genuine dialogue in order to give the government the time and space to meet their demands.

Debate:

Proposed Resolution (i):

Question: That the Senate do urge all tiers of government to put in place and sustain policies and programmes of socio-economic reforms that raise the standard and quality of life of our people, particularly youths who are leaders of tomorrow — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (ii):

Question: That the Senate do urge the Nigeria Police and other Securities Agencies to operate strictly in accordance with the rules of engagement appropriate to a democratic environment that abjures the use of aggressive and brutal force against peaceful protesters — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (iii):

Question: That the Senate do urge the Inspector General of Police to ensure a holistic, comprehensive reforms of the police to include the overhaul of the welfare, training and medical Insurance of all members of the Nigerian Police Force — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (iv):

Question: That the Senate do appeal to all Nigerians to resort to use of legal and institutional channels of resolving conflicts and disputes instead of misusing Security Agencies to secure undue advantages — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (v):

Question: That the Senate do urge the Nigerian youths and the Nigerian citizens to approach the National Assembly Committees on Constitutional Reforms in order to secure far-reaching and holistic amendments that are vital to the restructuring and re-shaping of our Federation to make it an inclusive and viable polity — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (vi):

Question: That the Senate do urge the Federal Government to faithfully and comprehensively implement all the five demands of the #EndSARS movement and protesters — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (vii):

Question: That the Senate do urge the #EndSARS movement and protesters to suspend their actions and embrace genuine dialogue in order to give the government the time and space to meet their demands.

Amendment Proposed

Immediately after the word “to” in line 1, leave out the word “suspend” and insert the word “stop” instead thereof (*Senator Barau I. Jibrin — Kano North*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed to.

Additional Proposed Resolutions:

Insert Additional Proposed Resolutions as follows:

“(i) That the Senate do urge the Inspector-General of Police to involve Police to protect peaceful protests to avoid hoodlums from hijacking the process (*Senator Yusuf A. Yusuf — Taraba Central*).

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed.

(ii) That the Senate do urge the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation to address the nation on the #EndSARS Protest” (*Senator Francis A. Alimikhena — Edo North*)”.

Question that the amendment be made, put and agreed.

Resolved:

That the Senate do:

- (i) urge all tiers of government to put in place and sustain policies and programmes of socio-economic reforms that raise the standard and quality of life of our people, particularly youths who are leaders of tomorrow;
- (ii) urge the Nigeria Police and other Securities Agencies to operate strictly in accordance with the rules of engagement appropriate to a democratic environment that abjures the use of aggressive and brutal force against peaceful protesters;
- (iii) urge the Inspector General of Police to ensure a holistic, comprehensive reforms of the police to include the overhaul of the welfare, training and medical Insurance of all members of the Nigerian Police Force;
- (iv) appeal to all Nigerians to resort to use of legal and institutional channels of resolving conflicts and disputes instead of misusing Security Agencies to secure undue advantages;

- (v) urge the Nigerian youths and the Nigerian citizens to approach the National Assembly Committees on Constitutional Reforms in order to secure far-reaching and holistic amendments that are vital to the restructuring and re-shaping of our Federation to make it an inclusive and viable polity;
- (vi) urge the Federal Government to faithfully and comprehensively implement all the five demands of the #EndSARS movement and protesters;
- (vii) urge the #EndSARS movement and protesters to stop their actions and embrace genuine dialogue in order to give the government the time and space to meet their demands;
- (viii) urge the Inspector-General of Police to involve Police to protect peaceful protests to avoid

hoodlums from hijacking the process; and

- (ix) urge the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation to address the nation on the EndSARS Protest (*S/Res/033/02/20*).

7. Matter of Urgent Public Importance:

Rising on Orders 42 and 52, Senator Sandy O. Onor (*Cross River Central*) drew the attention of the Senate to the Communal Clashes between Bordering Communities of Cross River and Ebonyi States and The Flood Disaster in Osopong 1 & 2 of Obubra LGA, Cross River State. He sought and obtained the leave of the Senate to present the matter forthwith:

The Senate:

notes that the long stretch of border between Cross River State and Ebonyi State is populated on either side by people with a long history of socio-cultural, economic and political affinities. However, over time, the growing scarcity of land and the changing dynamics of politics as well as the increasing challenges of economic survival have conspired to alter the peace and good neighbourliness that hitherto characterised life in these border areas;

further notes that border skirmishes and full blown clashes and wars have now become a common occurrence along this border stretch. Beginning from the South where the Biase of Cross River are in constant war with the Eda of Ebonyi, to the central where the Adadama group of villages are embroiled in clashes with the Ndi-Amagu of Ebonyi State, and the Izzi of Ebonyi are in permanent altercation with the Eja, Appiapumtet and Ijibolo, of Osopong, Obubra Local Government Area, also in Central Cross River State; these interminable wars leave in their wake, tales of blood, tears and destruction. Northern Cross River is not isolated from these ugly occurrences as the Izzi of Ebonyi and their Ukelle neighbours have been enmeshed in long periods of bitter cross boundary community wars;

aware that the war that is currently raging is between the Izzi of Ebonyi and the Osopong peoples of Obubra, Central Cross River;

further aware that the Osopong people are currently groaning under the weight of two fatalities, viz, a devastating flood that has ravaged their rich farmlands and habitations and this unending war with their Izzi neighbours;

worried that the peace and harmony as well as the agricultural potency of the Osopong group of villages, being landlords to a rich and vast swathe of land suitable especially for rice cultivation, fishing and other economic activities is threatened by the furious flood and the disturbing activities of these unending wars; and

also worried that unless a functional solution is sought and mutual agreement reached between aggrieved parties across the boundaries, the area may remain engulfed in attacks and retaliatory attacks with attendant brutal and unwholesome consequences for all and sundry.

Accordingly resolves to:

- (i) condemn in totality the killings, kidnappings and destruction of properties in the areas covering the entire stretch of boundary between peoples of Ebonyi and Cross River States and in particular, the current mayhem being perpetuated in the area inhabited by the Izzi people and the Osopong communities in Ebonyi and Cross River States respectively;
- (ii) appeal to the Cross River and Ebonyi State Governments to initiate and/or heighten the peace processes in the aforementioned areas;
- (iii) urge the National Boundary Commission, to accelerate, as a matter of National

emergency, the formal delineation of the entire stretch of boundary between Cross River State and Ebonyi States;

- (iv) urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), to as a matter of urgency avail the people in Osopong and Izzi communities, the necessary support, materials and aid required to make their lives meaningful again;
- (v) urge the Nigeria Police to deploy more men to these troubled spots along the entire stretch of the Ebonyi/Cross River boundary area; and
- (vi) observe a minute silence in honour of those who have lost their lives to these wars and/or devastating flood.

Debate:

Proposed Resolution (i):

Question: That the Senate do condemn in totality the killings, kidnappings and destruction of properties in the areas covering the entire stretch of boundary between peoples of Ebonyi and Cross River States and in particular, the current mayhem being perpetuated in the area inhabited by the Izzi people and the Osopong communities in Ebonyi and Cross River States respectively — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (ii):

Question: That the Senate do appeal to the Cross River and Ebonyi State Governments to initiate and/or heighten the peace processes in the aforementioned areas — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (iii):

Question: That the Senate do urge the National Boundary Commission, to accelerate, as a matter of National emergency, the formal delineation of the entire stretch of boundary between Cross River State and Ebonyi States — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (iv):

Question: That the Senate do urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), to as a matter of urgency avail the people in Osopong and Izzi communities, the necessary support, materials and aid required to make their lives meaningful again — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (v):

Question: That the Senate do urge the Nigeria Police to deploy more men to these troubled spots along the entire stretch of the Ebonyi/Cross River boundary area — *Agreed to.*

Proposed Resolution (vi):

Question: That the Senate do observe a minute silence in honour of those who have lost their lives to these wars and/or devastating flood — *Agreed to.*

Resolved:

That the Senate do:

- (i) condemn in totality the killings, kidnappings and destruction of properties in the areas covering the entire stretch of boundary between peoples of Ebonyi and Cross River States and in particular, the current mayhem being perpetuated in the area inhabited by the Izzi people and the Osopong communities in Ebonyi and Cross River States respectively;
- (ii) appeal to the Cross River and Ebonyi State Governments to initiate and/or heighten the peace processes in the aforementioned areas;
- (iii) urge the National Boundary Commission, to accelerate, as a matter of National emergency, the formal delineation of the entire stretch of boundary between Cross River State and Ebonyi States;

- (iv) urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), to as a matter of urgency avail the people in Osopong and Izzi communities, the necessary support, materials and aid required to make their lives meaningful again;
- (v) urge the Nigeria Police to deploy more men to these troubled spots along the entire stretch of the Ebonyi/Cross River boundary area; and
- (vi) observe a minute silence in honour of those who have lost their lives to these wars and/or devastating flood (*S/Res/034/02/20*).

One minute silence accordingly observed in honour of the deceased.

8. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Orders 43, Senator James E. Manager (*Delta South*) drew the attention of the Senate to the demise of Professor John Pepper Clark- Bekederemo - popularly known as JP Clark on Tuesday, October 13, 2020. He stated that JP Clark was one of African's most celebrated and accomplished poet. In appreciation of his sterling personage, he urged the Senate to observe a minute silence in his honour.

One minute silence accordingly observed in honour of the deceased.

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 (Order 13) (*Senate Leader*).

9. Personal Explanation:

Rising on Order 43, Senator Aliyu S. Abdullahi (*Niger North*) drew the attention of the Senate to two groups of protesters namely: National Association of Nigerian Students and National Youth Council of Nigeria who were at the National Assembly to register their concerns. While the National Association of Nigerian Students are appealing to the Senate to intervene and persuade Academic Staff of Universities Union (ASUU) to call off the strike and allow Universities to reopen, the National Youth Council of Nigeria are requesting that their letter be delivered directly to the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation.

Letter Laid.

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10. Presentation of Bills:

- (i) National Institute for Hospitality and Tourism (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (HB. 45) — *Read the First Time.*
- (ii) Informal Sector Private Employment Agencies (Regulation) Bill, 2020 (SB. 541) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iii) Historical Sites (Preservation & Protection) Bill, 2020 (SB. 542) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iv) Finance Act 2019 (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (SB. 543) — *Read the First Time.*
- (v) Institute of Chartered Power Engineers of Nigeria (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (SB. 545) — *Read the First Time.*

11. Committee on Foreign Affairs:

Report on the Confirmation of the Nomination of Appointment as Non-Career Ambassadors-Designate:

Motion made: That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on the Confirmation of the Nomination of the following persons for Appointment as Non-Career Ambassadors-Designate:

No.	Names	Position	State
(i)	Amb. Muhammad Haruna Manta	Non-Career Ambassador	Niger State
(ii)	Yusuf Yunusa	Non-Career Ambassador	Yobe State

(Senator Adamu M. Bulkachuwa — Bauchi North).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid and presented.

Motion made: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report (Senate Leader).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Consideration of the Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on the Confirmation of the Nomination for Appointment as Non-Career Ambassadors.

Nominees recommended for confirmation:

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| (i) | Amb. Muhammad Haruna Manta (<i>Non-Career Ambassador</i>) (<i>Niger State</i>) | — <i>Agreed to.</i> |
| (ii) | Yusuf Yunusa (<i>Non-Career Ambassador</i>) (<i>Yobe State</i>) | — <i>Agreed to.</i> |

Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The President of the Senate reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Foreign Affairs on the Confirmation of the Nomination for Appointment as Non-Career Ambassadors and approved the nominations.

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Confirmation of nominations:

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Amb. Muhammad Haruna Manta (*Niger*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Amb. Muhammad Haruna Manta (Niger) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Yusuf Yunusa (*Yobe*) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Yusuf Yunusa (Yobe) for appointment as Non-Career Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria accordingly confirmed.

12. Committee on Establishment and Public Service:

Report on the Confirmation of the Nomination for Appointment as Chairman, Director-General, Executive Commissioners for the National Pension Commission:

Motion made: That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service on the Confirmation of the Nomination of the following persons for Appointment as Chairman, Director-General and Executive Commissioners for the National

Pension Commission:

No.	Names	State	Geo-political Zone	Position
(i)	Dr. Oyindasola Olureme Oni	Kwara	North Central	Chairman
(ii)	Aisha Dahir-Umar	Adamawa	North East	Director-General
(iii)	Hanna Hanney Musa Musawa	Katsina	North West	Commissioner
(iv)	Clement Oyedele Akintola	Ondo	South West	Commissioner
(v)	Ayim C. Nyerere	Abia	South East	Commissioner
(vi)	Charles Efe Sylvester Emukowhate	Delta	South South	Commissioner

(Senator Baridana Mpigi — River South-East).

Question put and agreed to.

Report Laid and presented.

Motion made: That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report (Senate Leader).

Question put and agreed to.

(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

Consideration of the Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service on the Confirmation of the Nomination for Appointment as Chairman, Director-General and Executive Commissioners for the National Pension Commission.

Nominees recommended for confirmation:

- (i) *Dr. Oyindasola Olureme Oni (Kwara) (North Central) (Chairman)* — Agreed to.
- (ii) *Aisha Dahir-Umar (Adamawa) (North East) (Director-General)* — Agreed to.
- (iii) *Hanna Hanney Musa Musawa (Katsina) (North West) (Commissioner)* — Stood down.
- (iv) *Clement Oyedele Akintola (Ondo) (South West) (Commissioner)* — Agreed to.
- (v) *Ayim C. Nyerere (Abia) (South East) (Commissioner)* — Agreed to.
- (vi) *Charles Efe Sylvester Emukowhate (Delta)(South South)(Commissioner)* — Agreed to.

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Chairman to report progress.

(SENATE IN PLENARY)

The President of the Senate reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Establishment and Public Service on the Confirmation of the Nomination for Appointment as Chairman, Director-General and Executive Commissioners for the National Pension Commission and approved the nominations of the following:

- (i) *Dr. Oyindasola Olureme Oni (Kwara) (North Central) (Chairman)*
- (ii) *Aisha Dahir-Umar (Adamawa) (North East) (Director-General)*
- (iii) *Clement Oyedele Akintola (Ondo) (South West) (Commissioner)*
- (iv) *Ayim C. Nyerere (Abia) (South East) (Commissioner)*
- (v) *Charles Efe Sylvester Emukowhate (Delta)(South South)(Commissioner)*

Question: That the Senate do approve the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Confirmation of nominations:

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Dr. Oyindasola Olureme Oni (Kwara) for appointment as Chairman, National Pension Commission?” — Resolved in the Affirmative.

Nomination of Dr. Oyindasola Olureme Oni (Kwara) for appointment as Chairman, National Pension Commission accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Aisha Dahir-Umar (*Adamawa*) for appointment as Director-General, National Pension Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Aisha Dahir-Umar (Adamawa) for appointment as Director-General, National Pension Commission accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Clement Oyedele Akintola (*Ondo*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Pension Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Clement Oyedele Akintola (Ondo) for appointment as Commissioner, National Pension Commission accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Ayim C. Nyerere (*Abia*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Pension Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Ayim C. Nyerere (Abia) for appointment as Commissioner, National Pension Commission accordingly confirmed.

Question:

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Charles Efe Sylvester Emukowhate (*Delta*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Pension Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

Nomination of Charles Efe Sylvester Emukowhate (Delta) for appointment as Commissioner, National Pension Commission accordingly confirmed.

13. Nigerian Petroleum Industry Governance Bill, 2020 (SB. 510):

Motion made: That a Bill for an Act to Provide Legal, Governance, Regulatory and Fiscal Framework for the Nigerian Petroleum Industry, the Development of Host Communities and for Related Matters, 2020 be read the Second Time (*Senate Leader*).

Debate:

Question put and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committees on Downstream Petroleum Sector; Petroleum Resources (Upstream); and Gas to report within Four (4) weeks.

14. Adjournment:

And it being 4:48 p.m. the President of the Senate adjourned the Senate till Tuesday, 20th October, 2020 at 5:13 p.m.

Adjourned accordingly at 4:48 p.m.

Ahmad Ibrahim Lawan, Ph.D, CON
President,
Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.