



# SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 15th October, 2020

1. The Senate met at 10:26 a.m. The President of the Senate read prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**  
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 14th October, 2020.  
*Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.*
3. **Announcements:**
  - (a) **People's Democratic Party Caucus Meeting:**  
The President of the Senate read a letter from Senator Enyinnaya H. Abaribe (*Abia South*) as follows:



OFFICE OF THE  
MINORITY LEADER

15th October, 2020.

President of the Senate,  
National Assembly,  
Three Arms Zone,  
Abuja.

Yours Excellency,

### NOTICE OF MEETING

There shall be an emergency meeting of the People's Democratic Party Caucus as follows:

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2020

Time: 2pm (Immediately after Plenary)

Venue: Meeting Room 1, White House

Agenda: Matters of Urgent National Importance

(Signed)  
Senator Enyi Abaribe

**(b) Notice of Meeting:**

The President of the Senate read a letter from Senator Barau I. Jibrin (*Kano North*) as follows:



*15th October, 2020.*

*His Excellency,  
The President of the Senate,  
Senate Chamber.*

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

*There will be a meeting of the Senate Committee on Appropriations with Chairmen of all Standing Committees as scheduled below:*

*Date: Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2020.*

*Time: 2:00 pm*

*Venue: Conference Room 022, Senate Building*

*Please, endeavour to attend.*

*(Signed)*

**Sen. Barau I. Jibrin**  
*Chairman*

**4. Personal Explanation:**

Rising on Order 43, Senator Stella A. Oduah (*Anambra North*) drew the attention of the Senate to perennial flooding in coastal and flood prone regions of the country. She noted that this phenomenon is not peculiar to Nigeria alone as studies or reports have shown that it is the effect of climate change. She urged the Federal Government to establish a special intervention fund to provide relief and other forms of assistance to flood prone States in Nigeria.

**5. Presentation of Bills:**

- (i) Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission Act CAP N108 LFN 2004 (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (SB. 291) — Read the First Time.*
- (ii) Financial Privacy Bill, 2020 (SB. 508) — Read the First Time.*
- (iii) 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (Alteration) Bill, 2020 (SB. 530) — Read the First Time.*
- (iv) Federal College of Education Act 1998 (Repeal & Re-enactment) Bill, 2020 (SB. 531) — Read the First Time.*
- (v) Labour Transportation Bill, 2020 (SB. 532) — Read the First Time.*

**6. Committee on National Identity and National Population:  
Report on the Confirmation of the Nominations for Appointment as Chairman and Commissioners of the National Population Commission:**

*Motion made:* That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on National Identity and National Population on the Confirmation of the Nominations of the following persons for Appointment as Chairman and Commissioners of the National Population Commission:

S/N	Name	State	Position
(i)	Nasir Isa Kwarra	Nasarawa	Chairman
(ii)	Ibrahim Mohammed	Bauchi	Commissioner
(iii)	Ajayi Ayodeji Sunday	Ekiti	Commissioner
(iv)	Hon. Joseph Kwali Shazin	FCT	Commissioner
(v)	Garba A. G. Zakar K/Hausa	Jigawa	Commissioner
(vi)	Hon. (Engr.) Bala Almu Banye	Katsina	Commissioner
(vii)	Gidado Razak Folorunso	Kwara	Commissioner
(viii)	Mrs. Bimbola Salu-Hundeyin	Lagos	Commissioner
(ix)	Ali Silas Agara	Nasarawa	Commissioner
(x)	Muhammed Chiso A. Dattijo	Sokoto	Commissioner
(xi)	Mai Aliyu Muhammad Yobe		Commissioner
(xii)	Muhammad Muttaka Rini	Zamfara	Commissioner

*(Senator Suleiman A. Kwari — Kaduna 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 National Identity and National Population on the Confirmation of the Nominations for Appointment as Chairman and Commissioners of the National Population Commission.

**Nominees recommended for confirmation:**

(i)	Nasir Isa Kwarra <i>(Nasarawa)(Chairman)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(ii)	Ibrahim Mohammed <i>(Bauchi)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(iii)	Ajayi Ayodeji Sunday <i>(Ekiti)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(iv)	Hon. Joseph Kwali Shazin <i>(FCT)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(v)	Garba A. G. Zakar K/Hausa <i>(Jigawa)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(vi)	Hon. (Engr.) Bala Almu Banye <i>(Katsina)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(vii)	Gidado Razak Folorunso <i>(Kwara)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(viii)	Mrs. Bimbola Salu-Hundeyin <i>(Lagos)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(ix)	Ali Silas Agara <i>(Nasarawa)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(x)	Muhammed Chiso A. Dattijo <i>(Sokoto)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(xi)	Mai Aliyu Muhammad <i>(Yobe)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>
(xii)	Muhammad Muttaka Rini <i>(Zamfara)(Commissioner)</i>	—	<i>Agreed to.</i>

Chairman to report progress.

The President of the Senate reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on National Identity and National Population on the Confirmation of the Nominations for Appointment as Chairman and Commissioners of the National Population Commission 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 Nasir Isa Kwarra (*Nasarawa*) for appointment as Chairman, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Nasir Isa Kwarra (Nasarawa) for appointment as Chairman, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Ibrahim Mohammed (*Bauchi*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Ibrahim Mohammed (Bauchi) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Ajayi Ayodeji Sunday (*Ekiti*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Ajayi Ayodeji Sunday (Ekiti) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Hon. Joseph Kwali Shazin (*FCT*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Hon. Joseph Kwali Shazin (FCT) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Garba A. G. Zakar K/Hausa (*Jigawa*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Garba A. G. Zakar K/Hausa (Jigawa) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Hon. (Engr.) Bala Almu Banye (*Katsina*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Hon. (Engr.) Bala Almu Banye (Katsina) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Gidado Razak Folorunso (*Kwara*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Gidado Razak Folorunso (Kwara) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Mrs. Bimbola Salu-Hundeyin (*Lagos*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Mrs. Bimbola Salu-Hundeyin (Lagos) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Ali Silas Agara (*Nasarawa*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Ali Silas Agara (Nasarawa) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Muhammed Chiso A. Dattijo (*Sokoto*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Muhammed Chiso A. Dattijo (Sokoto) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Mai Aliyu Muhammad (*Yobe*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Mai Aliyu Muhammad (Yobe) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Muhammad Muttaka Rini (*Zamfara*) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Muhammad Muttaka Rini (Zamfara) for appointment as Commissioner, National Population Commission accordingly confirmed.*

**7. 2021 Appropriation Bill, 2020 (SB. 523):**

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

Seventy-Nine Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty-Nine Thousand, and Seventy Naira (₦3,603,679,959,070) only is for contribution to the Development Fund for Capital Expenditure for the year ending on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2021 be read the Second Time (*3rd Allotted day*) (*Senate Leader*).

*Debate:*

The following Senators made contributions:

(i) Senator Francis A. Fadahunsi

- (ii) Senator Tolulope A. Odebiyi
- (iii) Senator Isah Jibrin
- (iv) Senator Theodore A. Orji
- (v) Senator Yusuf A. Yusuf
- (vi) Senator Abdullahi Adamu
- (vii) Senator Peter O. Nwaoboshi
- (viii) Senator Chukwuka G. Utazi
- (ix) Senator Surajudeen A. Basiru
- (x) Senator Barinada Mpigi
- (xi) Senator Kabiru I. Gaya
- (xii) Senator Oseni Yakubu
- (xiii) Senator Ibrahim D. Abdullahi

*Question put and agreed to.*

*Bill accordingly read the Second Time and referred to the Committee on Appropriations to report within four (4) weeks.*

**8. Adjournment:**

*Motion made:* That the Senate do now adjourn till Tuesday, 20th October, 2020 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

*Adjourned accordingly at 12:47 p.m.*

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