



SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, 8th October, 2020

1. The Senate met at 10:19 a.m. The President of the Senate read prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Wednesday, 7th October, 2020.
Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.
3. **Announcement:**
Wedding Invitation:
The President of the Senate read a letter from Senator Yusuf A. Yusuf (*Taraba Central*) as follows:



THE SENATE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
YUSUF A. YUSUF
SENATOR, TARABA CENTRAL DISTRICT
CHAIRMAN, SPECIAL DUTIES
VICE CHAIRMAN: COOPERATION & INTEGRATION IN AFRICA AND NEPAD

05 October 2020.

*The President of the Senate
The Deputy President of the Senate
The Principal Officers and other Distinguished Senators
National Assembly Complex
Abuja.*

Dear Mr. President,

WEDDING NOTIFICATION/INVITATION AND ANNOUNCEMENT

It is my pleasure to announce to you the Wedding Fatiha of our children:

1. *Mukhtar Muhammed Yusuf & Khadija Muhammad Umar*
2. *Mu'utasim Billah Yusuf & Fatima Mohammed Kawu which will Insha Allah take place as follows:*

Date: 17th October, 2020
Venue: An'Noor Mosque, Wuse 2, Abuja.
Time: 11 a.m.

Reception follows immediately at the same venue.

*I will be honoured my **Distinguished Colleagues** to have your esteemed presence at the occasion and I crave your prayers and good wishes for the couple. However, if for any reason you may not be able to grace the occasion, we would appreciate your prayers for the couples.*

Please accept this notification as an invitation to the event in case you do not eventually receive a formal invitation.

Whilst looking forward to your kind acceptance of this invitation, please accept the assurance of my esteemed regards.

(Signed)
Yusuf A. Yusuf

4. Petition:

Rising on Order 41, Senator Albert B. Akpan (*Akwa Ibom North-East*) drew the attention of the Senate to a petition from his constituent, Captain Emmanuel Ekpe Owen, against the Chief of Naval Staff, Vice Admiral Ibok Ette Ibas, over alleged victimization of his person and career. He urged the Senate to look into the matter.

Petition laid and accordingly referred to the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions [Order 41(3)] to report within four (4) weeks.

5. Presentation of Bills:

- (i) Electricity Bill, 2020 (SB. 511) — *Read the First Time.*
- (ii) Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery Muchalla, Adamawa State (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (SB. 517) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iii) Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2020 (SB. 520) — *Read the First Time.*
- (iv) Federal University of Education (Technical) Bichi (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (SB. 521) — *Read the First Time.*
- (v) Federal University of Education Numan (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (SB. 522) — *Read the First Time.*

6. Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions:

Reports of the Committee on Ethics, Privileges and Public Petitions in respect of:

- a. Finian Tobias Okoro, on behalf of 26 other lecturers of the Nigeria Maritime University Okerenkoko, over alleged wrongful termination of appointment by the University;
- b. Osotoye Segun Kayode, against the Nigeria Correctional Service for alleged erroneous inclusion of his name on the retirement list of senior officers of the Service; and

- c. Otuma Eric Susane and five others, on behalf of Okpokunou Urban Community (OUC), against Shell Petroleum Development Company and Chief Charles Ayemi-Botu for alleged denial of Okpokunou Community of oil contracts and accruable benefits from Shell Petroleum Development Company Operations at Okpokunou.

Presentation of the Reports deferred to another Legislative Day.

7. Joint Session of the National Assembly:

Motion made: That the Senate do suspend Plenary and proceed to the House of Representatives' Chamber for a Joint Session to receive an Address of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR on the 2021 Appropriation Bill, 2020 (*Senate Leader*).

Question put and agreed to.

Suspension of Plenary — 10:45 a.m.

Resumption of Plenary — 12:37 p.m.

8. Adjournment:

Motion made: That the Senate do now adjourn till Tuesday, 13th October, 2020 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

Adjourned accordingly at 12:46 p.m.

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