



# SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

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1. The Senate met at 10:47 a.m. The President of the Senate read prayers.
2. **Votes and Proceedings:**  
The Senate examined the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021.  
*Question was put and the Votes and Proceedings were approved.*
3. **Presentation of Bills:**
  - (i) Federal Medical Centre Osogbo, Osun State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 364) — *Read the First Time.*
  - (ii) Federal University of Science and Technology Muchalla, Adamawa State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 643) — *Read the First Time.*
  - (iii) Federal University of Agriculture Araromi Obu, Ondo State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 646) — *Read the First Time.*
  - (iv) Federal University of Health and Medical Sciences Iyin, Ekiti State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 647) — *Read the First Time.*
  - (v) Chartered Institute of Computer Forensic of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB.650) — *Read the First Time.*
4. **Committee on Police Affairs:**  
*Report of the Committee on Police Affairs on the 2020 Budget of the Nigeria Police Trust Fund (NPTF):*  
*Motion made:* That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Police Affairs on the 2020 Budget of the Nigeria Police Trust Fund (*Senator Dauda H. Jika — Bauchi Central*).  
  
*Question put and agreed to.*  
  
*Report Laid and presented.*  
  
*Debate:*

**Proposed Resolution (i):**

*Question:* That the Senate do approve the Nigeria Police Trust Fund (NPTF) total projected income of ₦34,984,314,243.00 and approve the Joint Committee recommendation of ₦11,354,457,101.70 which is the capital component of the Budget and will be terminated on the 30th of April, 2021 while the balance of ₦23,631,857,141.30 will be carried over to 2021 Budget of the NPTF — *Agreed to.*

**Proposed Resolution (ii):**

*Question:* That the Senate do approve the purchase of the utility vehicles that has been replaced with procurement of the COVID-19 protection kits for the police personnel amounting to ₦358,379,191.00 — *Agreed to.*

**Proposed Resolution (iii):**

*Question:* That the Senate do approve the sum of ₦533,894,117.70 to be used to procure drugs and medical equipment for the police personnel being amongst the core mandates of the Nigeria Police Trust Fund (NPTF) — *Agreed to.*

**Resolved:**

That the Senate do:

- (i) approve the Nigeria Police Trust Fund (NPTF) total projected income of ₦34,984,314,243.00 and approve the Joint Committee recommendation of ₦11,354,457,101.70 which is the capital component of the Budget and will be terminated on the 30th of April, 2021 while the balance of ₦23,631,857,141.30 will be carried over to 2021 Budget of the NPTF;
- (ii) approve the purchase of the utility vehicles that has been replaced with procurement of the COVID-19 protection kits for the police personnel amounting to ₦358,379,191.00; and
- (iii) approve the sum of ₦533,894,117.70 to be used to procure drugs and medical equipment for the police personnel being amongst the core mandates of the Nigeria Police Trust Fund (NPTF).

The summary of the recommendations are indicated hereunder:

**2020 PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT**

S/N	ERGP CODE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT ₦
(1)	2301005	Provision of specialized/operational vehicle double cabinet-pick-up van for patrol	7,600,000,000.00
(2)	23010105	Procurement of arms and ammunitions	1,000,000,000.00
(3)	23010128	Procurement of personnel protective gear(bullet proof vest and helmet)	469,338,550,004.00
(4)	23010128	Procurement of riot control equipment (Teargas)	1,362,814,243.00
(5)	23101130	Provision of COVID-19 protection Kit for police personnel	358,379,191.00
(6)	23101130	Supply of drugs and medical equipment for police hospitals	533,894,117.70
(7)	23010134	Office furniture and equipment	29,031,000.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,354,457,101.70</b>

(S/Res/075/02/21).

**5. Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters:**

*Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters on the confirmation of the nomination of Prof. Larry Obinna Collins Chukwu for appointment as Commissioner for the Nigerian Law Reform Commission:*

*Motion made:* That the Senate do receive and consider the Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights and Legal Matters on the confirmation of the nomination of Prof. Larry Obinna Collins Chukwu for appointment as Commissioner for the Nigerian Law Reform Commission (Senator Michael O. Bamidele — Ekiti Central).

*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 Confirmation and Nomination of Prof. Larry Obinna Collins Chukwu for appointment as Commissioner for the Nigerian Law Reform Commission.

**Nominee recommended for confirmation:**

Prof. Larry Obinna Collins Chukwu

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*Agreed to.*

Chairman to report progress.

**(SENATE IN PLENARY)**

The President of the Senate reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the nomination and confirmation of Prof. Larry Obinna Collins Chukwu for appointment as Commissioner for the Nigerian Law Reform Commission and approved the nomination.

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

**Confirmation of nomination:**

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Prof. Larry Obinna Collins Chukwu for appointment as Commissioner for the Nigerian Law Reform Commission?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Prof. Larry Obinna Collins Chukwu for appointment as Commissioner for the Nigerian Law Reform Commission accordingly confirmed.*

**6. Screening for Confirmation of Nomination:**

***Screening for confirmation of the nomination of Abdulrasheed Bawa for Appointment as Chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC):***

*Motion made:* That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation for the Screening for confirmation of the nomination of Abdulrasheed Bawa for the appointment as Chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) (*Senate Leader*).

*Question put and agreed to.*

**Privileges of the Floor:**

(i) ***Admission of Special Assistant to the President on National Assembly Matters, House of Representatives Members, Speaker and Members of Kebbi State House of Assembly:***

*Motion made:* That the Senate do invoke Order 17(1) to admit Special Assistant to the President on National Assembly Matters, Senator Babajide C. Omoworare, House of Representatives Members, Speaker and Members of Kebbi State House of Assembly to the Floor of the Senate (*Senate Leader*).

*Question put and agreed to.*

*Special Assistant to the President on National Assembly Matters, Senator Babajide C. Omoworare, House of Representatives Members, Speaker and Members of Kebbi State House of Assembly accordingly admitted to the Floor of the Senate.*

(ii) **Admission of Abdurashed Bawa (Nominee for Chairmanship of EFCC); Acting Chairman of EFCC; and Family Members of the nominee:**

*Motion made:* That the Senate do suspend Order 17(1) to admit Abdurashed Bawa (Nominee for Chairmanship of EFCC); Acting Chairman of EFCC; and Family Members of the nominee to the Floor of the Senate (*Senate Leader*).

*Question put and agreed to.*

*Abdurashed Bawa (Nominee for Chairmanship of EFCC); Acting Chairman of EFCC; and Family Members of the nominee accordingly admitted to the Floor of the Senate.*

*Motion made:* That the Senate do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, for the confirmation of Abdurashed Bawa for appointment as Chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) (*Senate Leader*).

*Question put and agreed to.*

**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*).

*Question put and agreed to.*

**(SENATE IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)**

**(Screening of Nominee)**

**Nominee screened:**

Abdurashed Bawa

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*Agreed to.*

Chairman to report progress.

**(SENATE IN PLENARY)**

The President of the Senate reported that the Senate in the Committee of the Whole considered the request of Mr. President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federation, for the confirmation of Abdurashed Bawa for appointment as Chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC). The nominee answered questions from Distinguished Senators on Economic, Financial Crimes matters and a number of topical issues. The Senate thereafter approved the nomination.

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

**Confirmation of Nominee:**

*Question:*

“Will the Senate confirm the nomination of Abdurashed Bawa for appointment as Chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC)?” — *Resolved in the Affirmative.*

*Nomination of Abdurashed Bawa for appointment as Chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) accordingly confirmed.*

**7. Adjournment:**

And it being 2:07 p.m. the President of the Senate adjourned till Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2021 at 10.00 a.m. (*Senate Leader*).

*Adjourned accordingly at 2:07 p.m.*

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

