



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 29 June, 2021

1. The House met at 11.27 a.m. Mr Speaker read the Prayers.
2. The House recited the National Pledge
3. **Votes and Proceedings**  
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the *Votes and Proceedings* of Thursday, 10 June, 2021.  
  
*The Votes and Proceedings was adopted by unanimous consent.*
4. **Message**  
Mr Speaker read a message from the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria:



PRESIDENT,  
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

15th June, 2021

**Rt. Hon. Femi Gbajabamila**  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
National Assembly Complex,  
Three Arms Zone,  
Abuja.*

**Dear Rt Hon. F. Gbajabamila,**

### **SUBMISSION OF THE SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL, 2021**

*It is with pleasure that I forward herewith Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2021 (Annexure 1), for the kind consideration and approval by the House of Representatives.*

*of the Leadership and Honourable Members of the House of Representatives in our collective efforts to contain the COVID-19 Pandemic and address the various security and other challenges facing the country.*

*It has become necessary to prepare the 2021 Supplementary Appropriation Bill considering the urgent need to make provision for procurement and administration of COVID-19 vaccines. The availability of COVID-19 vaccines and the procurement terms were still uncertain as at the time of finalising the 2021 budget. Hence, there was no provision in the 2021 Appropriation Act for the procurement and administration of COVID-19 vaccines.*

*However, the Federal Ministry of Health and the National Primary Healthcare Development Agency (NPHCDA) have now developed a COVID-19 vaccine programme for the country. Under the vaccine programme, 70% of eligible Nigerians are to be vaccinated between 2021 and 2022 (see Annexure 2).*

*In addition, our security and law enforcement agencies urgently need to procure additional equipment and other resources in response to the prevalent security challenges across the country. The Ministry of Defence has carefully scrutinized these procurement needs, which the military authorities claim to represent the minimum requirements to secure our country and address current external and internal security challenges.*

*Furthermore, additional funds are required to meet our commitment to treat additional 50,000 patients under the Nigeria Comprehensive AIDS Program in States (NCAPS), as the amount provisioned in the 2021 Appropriation Bill for this purpose was inexplicably cut by the National Assembly.*

*In order to address the urgent problem of oxygen availability in the country and avoid the potential loss of lives, provision was made for the procurement and installation of new oxygen plants nationwide and repairs of oxygen plants in FCT hospitals.*

*It is also necessary to provide additional funds for Public Service Wage Adjustment to cater for sundry wage-related issues in the health and other sectors, which if not resolved can add to the prevalent sense of instability in the polity.*

*The Supplementary Budget request is for a total sum of ₦895,842,465,917 (Eight Hundred and Ninety-Five Billion, Eight Hundred and Forty-Two Million, Four Hundred and Sixty-Five Thousand, Nine Hundred and Seventeen Naira) only.*

*We propose to fund ₦45.63 billion of the ₦83.56 billion required for the COVID-19 vaccine programme by drawing on existing World Bank loans (which would be restructured) as well as Other Grants totalling US\$113.22 million (see Annexure 3).*

*The balance of ₦37.93 billion required for COVID-19 vaccines, salaries and other health-related expenditures totalling ₦41.69 billion and the ₦48.20 recurrent component of defence/security expenditure will be funded by drawing ₦135 billion from some Special Reserve/Levy Accounts (see Annexure 4), which will be captured as revenues to the FGN.*

*We propose to fund the balance of ₦722.40 billion for capital expenditure on defence/security and capital supplementation from new borrowings, in the absence of any supplementary revenue sources.*

*Understandably, needs currently abound in many other sectors. However, we have limited the supplementary budget proposal to just these critical and emergency areas of need due to our severe fiscal constraints. All other needs would be deferred to the 2022 budget, which we plan to present in September of this year.*

*Given the urgency of the request, I seek the cooperation of the National Assembly, for expeditious legislative action on the Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2021.*

*Please accept, Right Honourable Speaker, the assurances of my highest consideration.*

*Yours sincerely,*

*(Signed)*

**Muhammadu Buhari**

**5. Oaths of Allegiance and Membership**

A Member-elect, Yusuf Shitu Galambi (*Gwaram Federal Constituency*) took and subscribed the Oaths of Allegiance and Membership as prescribed by law.

**6. Announcement**

(i) Mr Speaker read a communication from the Second Deputy Speaker, Parliament of Malawi, Hon. Aisha Mambo Adams, requesting to undertake a study tour of the House of Representatives, from Monday 5 to Saturday, 10 July, 2021.

**(ii) Defection:**

Mr Speaker read the following communications from:

(a) Hon. Legor Idagbo (*Bekwara/Obudu/Obanliku Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) to the All Progressives Congress (APC);

(b) Hon. Etaba Michael Irom (*Obubra/Etung Federal Constituency*), announcing his defection from the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) to the All Progressives Congress (APC).

**7. Petitions**

(i) A petition from Concerned Ex-Mint Workers Forum, on behalf of three hundred and seventy-three (373) former workers, on their disengagement from the service of the Nigeria Security Printing and Minting Plc, was presented and laid by Hon. Ugonna Ozurigbo (*Nkwere/Isu/Nwangele/Njaba Federal Constituency*);

(ii) A petition from Calvin Funthige Chingir, on the termination of his appointment by the Save the Children (INGO), was presented and laid by Hon. Gibeon Goroki (*Guyuk/Shelleng Federal Constituency*);

(iii) A petition from Ifiabor Lucky Wesley, on the alleged denial of his documentation into the service of University of Calabar, was presented and laid by Hon. Ihonvbere Julius (*Owan East/West Federal Constituency*).

*Petitions referred to the Committee on Public Petitions.*

**8. Matters of Urgent Public Importance (Standing Order Eight, Rule 4)**

(i) ***Imminent Civil Disorder and Breakdown of Law and Order Across the Niger Delta Due to Skewed Internal Operations of the Nigeria Agip Oil Company Limited:***

Hon. Preye Inflence Goodluck Oseke (*Southern Ijaw Federal Constituency and Ten others*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

(a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and

(b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

*Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.*

*Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.*

**Imminent Civil Disorder and Breakdown of Law and Order Across the Niger Delta Due to Skewed Internal Operations of the Nigeria Agip Oil Company Limited:**

The House:

*Aware* that the Nigeria Agip Oil Company (NAOC) Limited is the operator of the Joint Venture (JV) Agreements between the Federal Government of Nigeria (represented by the Nigeria Petroleum Development Company) and Oando, just as with Total Nigeria Limited and the Shell Petroleum Development Company Limited respectively;

*Also aware* that JV facilities operated by NAOC are in Bayelsa, Rivers, Delta, and Imo States respectively;

*Notes* that across all JV Agreements, the Federal Government of Nigeria owns sixty percent (60%) of the shares;

*Also notes* that being largely federal government entities, there must be a semblance of federal character across all JV operations *viz-a-viz* the recruitment of local qualified manpower;

*Disturbed* however that all senior management positions in NAOC are occupied by personnel of a certain geopolitical zone;

*Also disturbed* that the deliberate and calculated attempt to, in a sustained fashion, replace all senior management staff of NAOC with those of the aforesaid geopolitical zone is not only discriminatory, but amounts to a clear breach of sections 14 (3) and (4) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended) on the application of the federal character principle;

*Further notes* that apart from those manned by expatriate staff, the Head of Legal, General Manager Human Resources, Head, Division of Operations, Project Development, Stakeholders Department, Health Safety and Environment, and Medicals are all headed by personnel of the said zone;

*Cognizant* that almost eighty-five percent (85%) of senior management positions in NAOC are occupied by persons of the same zone;

*Equally notes* that specifically, section 318 (1) defines federal character as '*the distinctive desire of the people of Nigeria to promote national unity, foster national loyalty and give every citizen of Nigeria a sense of belonging to the nation*' as expressed in section 14 (3) and (4) of the Constitution, an imperative to comply with the utilitarian value of fairness and justice;

*Worried* that the skewed repositioning of personnel from one geopolitical zone at the expense of others, into strategic management positions has deprived others particularly host States of Bayelsa, Rivers and Delta;

*Also worried* that this seeming marginalization and discrimination is a potential cause for disaffection amongst Bayelsa, Rivers and Delta States capable of negating the conducive environment the States have thus far created for the company's operations that happen in a rather hitch-free manner;

*Further worried* that this ugly development, if not timely nipped in the bud, is capable of throwing the trio States into chaos, thereby eroding the prevailing conducive atmosphere for the company and its operations in the region;

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committee on Petroleum Resources (Upstream) to investigate the skewed repositioning of personnel from a single geopolitical zone; and report within three weeks (*Hon. Preye Influence Goodluck Oseke — Southern Ijaw Federal Constituency and Ten Others*).

*Debate.*

***Agreed to.***

The House:

*Aware* that the Nigeria Agip Oil Company (NAOC) Limited is the operator of the Joint Venture (JV) Agreements between the Federal Government of Nigeria (represented by the Nigeria Petroleum Development Company) and Oando, just as with Total Nigeria Limited and the Shell Petroleum Development Company Limited respectively;

*Also aware* that JV facilities operated by NAOC are in Bayelsa, Rivers, Delta, and Imo States respectively;

*Noted* that across all JV Agreements, the Federal Government of Nigeria owns sixty percent (60%) of the shares;

*Also noted* that being largely federal government entities, there must be a semblance of federal character across all JV operations *viz-a-viz* the recruitment of local qualified manpower;

*Disturbed* however that all senior management positions in NAOC are occupied by personnel of a certain geopolitical zone;

*Also disturbed* that the deliberate and calculated attempt to, in a sustained fashion, replace all senior management staff of NAOC with those of the aforestated geopolitical zone is not only discriminatory, but amounts to a clear breach of sections 14 (3) and (4) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended) on the application of the federal character principle;

*Further noted* that apart from those manned by expatriate staff, the Head of Legal, General Manager Human Resources, Head, Division of Operations, Project Development, Stakeholders Department, Health Safety and Environment, and Medicals are all headed by personnel of the said zone;

*Cognizant* that almost eighty-five percent (85%) of senior management positions in NAOC are occupied by persons of the same zone;

*Equally notes* that specifically, section 318 (1) defines federal character as '*the distinctive desire of the people of Nigeria to promote national unity, foster national loyalty and give every citizen of Nigeria a sense of belonging to the nation*' as expressed in section 14 (3) and (4) of the Constitution, an imperative to comply with the utilitarian value of fairness and justice;

*Worried* that the skewed repositioning of personnel from one geopolitical zone at the expense of others, into strategic management positions has deprived others particularly host States of Bayelsa, Rivers and Delta;

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*Further worried* that this ugly development, if not timely nipped in the bud, is capable of throwing the trio States into chaos, thereby eroding the prevailing conducive atmosphere for the company and its operations in the region;

*Resolved to:*

Mandate the Committee on Petroleum Resources (Upstream) to investigate the skewed repositioning of personnel from a single geopolitical zone; and report within three weeks (**HR. 01/06/2021**).

**(ii) *Need for Urgent Intervention in the Problem of Insecurity in Parts of Jos South Local Government Area of Plateau State:***

Hon. Dachung Musa Bagos (*Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

*Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — **Agreed to.***

*Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — **Agreed to.***

**Need for Urgent Intervention in the Problem of Insecurity in Parts of Jos South Local Government Area of Plateau State:**

The House:

*Aware* that there has been an increase in the rate of insecurity and killing of innocent souls by persons who have been tagged as suspected herdsmen in Nigeria of which Danchol (Sabon Layi) and Kushe, Kuru of Jos South Local Government Area of Plateau State were affected;

*Also aware* that the attack which took place on Sunday night, 13 June, 2021, 12 indigenes were gruesomely killed in cold blood around Danchol (Sabon Layi) and Kushe, Kuru of Jos South LGA, Plateau State;

*Concerned* that most of the people live in fear of the unknown, due to insecurity and can no longer access their farmlands with ease which is their main source of livelihood;

*Also concerned* that unless the issue of insecurity is handled with doggedness at all level in the country, the country may turn into a nightmare to its citizen and the people may lose their confidence in government's ability to provide them with adequate security;

*Resolves to:*

- (i) observe a minute silence in solemn respect to the victims who lost their lives during the attack;
- (ii) urge the Inspector-General of Police (IGP) to reinforce security in the affected community and other communities around Jos South LGA;
- (iii) also urge the IGP to carry out investigations connected to the mayhem perpetrated in Kuru, ensure the perpetrators are arrested and brought to book; and
- (iv) mandate the Committee on Police Affairs to ensure compliance with Resolution (ii) and (iii) (*Hon. Dachung Musa Bagos — Jos South/Jos East Federal Constituency*).

*Debate.*

*Agreed to.*

The House:

*Aware* that there has been an increase in the rate of insecurity and killing of innocent souls by persons who have been tagged as suspected herdsmen in Nigeria of which Danchol (Sabon Layi) and Kushe, Kuru of Jos South Local Government Area of Plateau State were affected;

*Also aware* that the attack which took place on Sunday night, 13 June, 2021, 12 indigenes were gruesomely killed in cold blood around Danchol (Sabon Layi) and Kushe, Kuru of Jos South LGA, Plateau State;

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*Resolved to:*

- (i) observe a minute silence in solemn respect to the victims who lost their lives during the attack;
- (ii) urge the Inspector-General of Police (IGP) to reinforce security in the affected community and other communities around Jos South LGA;
- (iii) also urge the IGP to carry out investigations connected to the mayhem perpetrated in Kuru, ensure the perpetrators are arrested and brought to book; and
- (iv) mandate the Committee on Police Affairs to ensure compliance with Resolution (ii) and (iii) (**HR. 02/06/2021**).

*A minute silence was observed in honour of the deceased.*

**9. Presentation of Bills**

The following Bills were read the *First Time*:

- (1) Advance Fee Fraud and Other Fraud Related Offences Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1402).
- (2) Central Bank of Nigeria Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1403).
- (3) National Drug Law Enforcement Agency Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1404).
- (4) Federal College of Health and Management Sciences, Amaigbo (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1420).
- (5) Federal Colleges of Education (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1455).
- (6) Federal College of Horticulture, Okigwe (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1456).
- (7) Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1457).
- (8) Prohibition of Discrimination between First Degree and Higher National Diploma (HND) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1466).
- (9) National Institute for Border Studies, Imeko (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 1467).
- (10) Orthopaedic Hospitals Management Board Act (Amendment) 2021 (HB. 1468).

**10. Privilege (Order Six, Rule 2)**

Hon. Gbillah Mark Terseer (*Gwer East/Gwer West Federal Constituency*), drew the attention of the House to a Motion he moved on ***Allegations of Unjustified, Illegal and Premeditated Freezing of Bank Accounts by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) vide the Votes and Proceedings*** of Tuesday, 20 October, 2020. He noted that such an action was illegal and contrary to the provisions of the Constitution. He also noted that the Committee on Banking and Currency was mandated to investigate the matter, but was yet to submit its report. He therefore considered that as a breach of his privilege and prayed the House to discharge the Committee of its mandate in accordance with Order Eighteen, Rule 3 (g) and constitute an *Ad-hoc* Committee to handle the matter.

*Mr Speaker directed the Committee on Banking and Currency to present an interim report on the matter within two weeks.*

**11. Presentation of Reports****(i) Committee on Healthcare Services:**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Healthcare Services on a Bill for an Act to Amend the National Health Act No. 8, 2014 to Define Basic Minimum Package of Health Services, provide more Mechanisms for Realizing the Objectives of the Principal Act in Providing Free Healthcare Services to all Nigerian without Prejudice to the Requirement of Payments of the Contributory Scheme stipulated in the National Health Insurance Scheme Act; and for Related Matters (HB. 668)” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

***Agreed to.***

*Report laid.*



**(ii) Committees on Defence, and Army:**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That the House do receive the Report of the Committees on Defence, and Army on the Confirmation of Appointment of the Chief of Army Staff” (Hon. Babajimi Benson Adegoke — Ikorodu Federal Constituency).

*Agreed to.*

*Report laid.*

**(iii) Committee on Federal Road Safety Commission:**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Federal Road Safety Commission on the Need to Dissuade Officers of the Corps from Engaging Motorists in hot chase on Highways” (Hon. Akinfolarin Mayowa Samuel — Ileoluji-Okeigbo/Odigbo Federal Constituency).

*Agreed to.*

*Report laid.*

**(iv) Committees on Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values, Telecommunications, Information and Technology, Justice, and National Security and Intelligence:**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That the House do receive the Report of the Committees on Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values, Telecommunications, Information and Technology, Justice, and National Security and Intelligence on the Federal Government's Suspension of the Operations of the Social Media Network, Twitter in Nigeria” (Hon. Odebunmi Olusegun Dokun — Ogo-Oluwa/Surulere Federal Constituency).

*Agreed to.*

*Report laid.*

**12. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal University of Agriculture and Technology, Funtua; and for Related Matters (HB. 645) — Third Reading**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That a Bill for an Act to Establish Federal University of Agriculture and Technology, Funtua; and for Related Matters (HB. 645) be now read the Third Time” (Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado — House Leader).

*Agreed to.*

*Bill read the Third Time and passed.*

**13. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Statisticians of Nigeria to Determine the Standards of Knowledge and Skill are to be Attained by Persons seeking to become Members of the Institute, Review those Standards from time to time; and for Related Matters (HB. 1120) — Third Reading**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That a Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Institute of Statisticians of Nigeria to Determine the Standards of Knowledge and Skill are to be Attained by Persons seeking to become Members of the Institute, Review those Standards from time to time; and for Related Matters (HB. 1120) be now read the Third Time” (Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado — House Leader).

*Agreed to.*

*Bill read the Third Time and passed.*

14. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the Nigeria French Language Village, as an Inter-University Centre for French Studies; and for Related Matters (HB.737) — Third Reading**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the Nigeria French Language Village, as an Inter-University Centre for French Studies; and for Related Matters (HB.737) be now read the Third Time” (*Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado — House Leader*).

**Agreed to.**

*Bill read the Third Time and passed.*

15. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the Nigeria Arabic Language Village, as an Inter-University Centre for Arabic Studies; and for Related Matters (HB.738) — Third Reading**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the Nigeria Arabic Language Village, as an Inter-University Centre for Arabic Studies; and for Related Matters (HB.738) be now read the Third Time” (*Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado — House Leader*).

**Agreed to.**

*Bill read the Third Time and passed.*

16. **A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the Federal University of Technology, Asaba, Delta State for the Promotion and Development of Technical Education in Nigeria and make Comprehensive Provisions for its Due Management and Administration; and for Related Matters (HB. 721) — Third Reading**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the Federal University of Technology, Asaba, Delta State for the Promotion and Development of Technical Education in Nigeria and make Comprehensive Provisions for its Due Management and Administration; and for Related Matters (HB. 721) be now read the Third Time” (*Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado — House Leader*).

**Agreed to.**

*Bill read the Third Time and passed.*

17. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Institute of Credit Administration to Ensure Effective Credit Management Practice and Set Standards and Skills to be Attained by Persons seeking to become Professional Credit Managers in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 1018) — Third Reading**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That a Bill for an Act to Establish the National Institute of Credit Administration to Ensure Effective Credit Management Practice and Set Standards and Skills to be Attained by Persons seeking to become Professional Credit Managers in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 1018) be now read the Third Time” (*Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado — House Leader*).

**Agreed to.**

*Bill read the Third Time and passed.*

18. **Consolidation of Bills**

*Motion made and question proposed*, “That a Bill for an Act to Amend the North-East Development Commission Act, 2017 to make Provisions for Enhanced Efficiency in the Operations of the North-East Development Commission; and for Related Matters (HB. 1152); and a Bill for an Act to Amend the North-East Development Commission Act, 2017 to Deepen the Impact of the Commission on

the Lives of Residence of Member States through Strategic Capital Development Projects and enhance the critical sources of Revenues due to the Commission; and for Related Matters (HB. 1341) be now consolidated” (Hon. Fulata Abubakar Hassan — Birniwa/Guri/Kiri-Kasamma Federal Constituency).

*Agreed to.*

19. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal College of Agriculture, Bukkuyum; and for Related Matters (HB. 1206) — Second Reading**

*Order read; deferred by leave of the House.*

20. **A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal Psychiatric Hospital, Makurdi; and for Related Matters (HB.476) — Second Reading**

*Motion made and Question proposed, “That a Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal Psychiatric Hospital, Makurdi; and for Related Matters (HB.476) be now read a Second Time” (Hon. Mzonde Benjamin Bem — Makurdi/Guma Federal Constituency and 1 other).*

*Debate.*

*Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.*

*Bill read the Second Time.*

*Bill referred to the Committee on Health Institutions.*

21. **A Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Lottery Act, No. 7, 2005 and the National Lottery (Amendment) Act, No. 6, 2017 and Enact the National Gaming Bill to Regulate the Operation and Business of Gaming in Nigeria and Enhance Revenue Generation for the Government of the Federation to Complement the Funding Gap of the Commission; and for Related Matters (HB.1288) — Second Reading**

*Motion made and Question proposed, “That a Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Lottery Act, No. 7, 2005 and the National Lottery (Amendment) Act, No. 6, 2017 and Enact the National Gaming Bill to Regulate the Operation and Business of Gaming in Nigeria and Enhance Revenue Generation for the Government of the Federation to Complement the Funding Gap of the Commission; and for Related Matters (HB.1288) be now read a Second Time” (Hon. Akin Alabi — ... Federal Constituency).*

*Debate.*

*Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.*

*Bill read the Second Time.*

*Bill referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.*

22. **A Bill for an Act to Amend the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020; and for Related Matters (HB. 1060) — Second Reading**

*Motion made and Question proposed, “That a Bill for an Act to Amend the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020; and for Related Matters (HB. 1060) be now read a Second Time” (Hon. Ugonna Ozurigo — Nkwere/Isu/Nwangele/Njaba Federal Constituency).*

*Debate.*

*Question that the Bill be read a Second Time — Agreed to.*

*Bill read the Second Time.*

*Bill referred to the **Committee on Commerce.***

**23. Need to Assess the Vehicle Licensing Process in Nigeria**

*Motion made and Ques proposed:*

The House:

*Notes* that the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), State Vehicles Inspection Officer (VIO) and the States Boards of Internal Revenue (BIR) are Agencies responsible for Vehicle licensing in Nigeria;

*Also notes* that it is the practice for a vehicle owner to present required data, make payment and eventually issued vehicle licence and number plate by either of the Agencies;

*Aware* that driving articulated vehicles requires special skills and knowledge of traffic laws and regulations in force but many drivers of articulated vehicles are not qualified to operate such vehicles as they are not licensed and lack skills to drive, thus resulting in fatal accidents;

*Also aware* that in order to reduce the reoccurring rate of Accidents, the Federal Government mandated the Federal Road Safety Commission to establish minimum safety requirements for articulated vehicles;

*Conscious* of the responsibilities of Federal Road Safety Corps to include monitoring, certifying, registering and enforcing compliance with regulations governing safety operations of articulated vehicles in Nigeria;

*Cognizant* that the administration of minimum safety requirements demands that operators of the articulated vehicles conform to the Road Transport Safety Standardization Scheme and registration of companies and that all tankers/tractor-trailers or any other form of an articulated vehicle, including those conveying dangerous goods are also required to comply with the guidelines on safe operations;

*Further aware* that only Lagos State University (LASU) and the Nigeria Institute of Transport Technology (NITT) have accredited curriculum that would pass for the training of and certification of driving training team to train drivers of articulated vehicles;

*Disturbed* that most tanker drivers are adolescents who can neither speak nor write in English, yet when issued licences they endangered other road users contrary to the FRSC registration process mandating tanker/tractor-trailer transport services/ operators to register their transport companies with the FRSC;

*Concerned* that the proliferation of uncertified driving schools issuing driving certificates to untrained drivers results in producing inexperience drivers thereby causing accidents;

*Also cognizant* of the fact that it is the responsibility of the Federal Road Safety Commission to have a driving school curriculum and qualified personnel for the purpose of monitoring, certifying, registering and enforcing compliance with regulation governing safety operations of articulated vehicles in Nigeria;

*Believes* that unless the vehicle licensing processes as well as safety requirements and guidelines for articulated vehicles operations in Nigeria are rejigged with curriculum for drivers' training school under the supervision of relevant transport institutes, the incidence of a road accident by articulated trucks drivers will continue unabated;

*Resolves to:*

- (i) urge the Federal Road Safety Corps to:
  - (a) compel tanker/tractor-trailer transport services/operators to disclose the type of heavy-duty vehicles business operation they are engaged in and register with the FRSC,
  - (b) stipulate stringent administrative procedures for tankers/trailers operations in Nigeria for first-time Articulated Vehicles operators/applicants for FRSC Registration;
- (ii) further urge the Federal Road Safety Corps, the Vehicle Inspection Officer (VIO) and related vehicle regulatory authorities to develop a comprehensive driving curriculum as in the Lagos State University (LASU) and the Nigeria Institute of Transport Technology (NITT);
- (iii) call on the Federal Ministry of Transport to establish the Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology (NITT) in the six geopolitical zones to ensure access to the Institute and acquire the requisite knowledge and qualification before setting up the driving schools or manning the articulated vehicles;
- (iv) mandate the Committee on Federal Road Safety Commission to ensure compliance (*Hon. Ben Rollands Igbakpa — Ethiope East/Ethiope West Federal Constituency*).

*Debate.*

**Amendment Proposed:**

In Prayer (iv), immediately after the word “Commission”, insert the words “and Land Transport” (*Hon. Benjamin Bem Mzondu — Makurdi/Guma Federal Constituency*).

*Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.*

*Question on the Motion as amended — Agreed to.*

The House:

*Noted* that the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), State Vehicles Inspection Officer (VIO) and the States Boards of Internal Revenue (BIR) are Agencies responsible for Vehicle licensing in Nigeria;

*Also noted* that it is the practice for a vehicle owner to present required data, make payment and eventually issued vehicle licence and number plate by either of the Agencies;

*Aware* that driving articulated vehicles requires special skills and knowledge of traffic laws and regulations in force but many drivers of articulated vehicles are not qualified to operate such vehicles as they are not licensed and lack skills to drive, thus resulting in fatal accidents;

*Also aware* that in order to reduce the reoccurring rate of Accidents, the Federal Government mandated the Federal Road Safety Commission to establish minimum safety requirements for articulated vehicles;

*Conscious* of the responsibilities of Federal Road Safety Corps to include monitoring, certifying, registering and enforcing compliance with regulations governing safety operations of articulated vehicles in Nigeria;

*Cognizant* that the administration of minimum safety requirements demands that operators of the articulated vehicles conform to the Road Transport Safety Standardization Scheme and registration of companies and that all tankers/tractor-trailers or any other form of an articulated vehicle, including those conveying dangerous goods are also required to comply with the guidelines on safe operations;

*Further aware* that only Lagos State University (LASU) and the Nigeria Institute of Transport Technology (NITT) have accredited curriculum that would pass for the training of and certification of driving training team to train drivers of articulated vehicles;

*Disturbed* that most tanker drivers are adolescents who can neither speak nor write in English, yet when issued licences they endangered other road users contrary to the FRSC registration process mandating tanker/tractor-trailer transport services/ operators to register their transport companies with the FRSC;

*Concerned* that the proliferation of uncertified driving schools issuing driving certificates to untrained drivers results in producing inexperience drivers thereby causing accidents;

*Also cognizant* of the fact that it is the responsibility of the Federal Road Safety Commission to have a driving school curriculum and qualified personnel for the purpose of monitoring, certifying, registering and enforcing compliance with regulation governing safety operations of articulated vehicles in Nigeria;

*Believed* that unless the vehicle licensing processes as well as safety requirements and guidelines for articulated vehicles operations in Nigeria are rejigged with curriculum for drivers' training school under the supervision of relevant transport institutes, the incidence of a road accident by articulated trucks drivers will continue unabated;

*Resolved to:*

- (i) urge the Federal Road Safety Corps to:
  - (a) compel tanker/tractor-trailer transport services/operators to disclose the type of heavy-duty vehicles business operation they are engaged in and register with the FRSC,
  - (b) stipulate stringent administrative procedures for tankers/trailers operations in Nigeria for first-time Articulated Vehicles operators/applicants for FRSC Registration;
- (ii) further urge the Federal Road Safety Corps, the Vehicle Inspection Officer (VIO) and related vehicle regulatory authorities to develop a comprehensive driving curriculum as in the Lagos State University (LASU) and the Nigeria Institute of Transport Technology (NITT);
- (iii) call on the Federal Ministry of Transport to establish the Nigerian Institute of Transport Technology (NITT) in the six geopolitical zones to ensure access to the Institute and acquire the requisite knowledge and qualification before setting up the driving schools or manning the articulated vehicles;
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Federal Road Safety Commission, and Land Transport to ensure compliance (**HR. 03/06/2021**).

## **24. Need to Curb Online Crimes and Child Exploitation in Nigeria**

*Order read; deferred by leave of the House.*

**25. Disregard of Traffic Lights in the Federal Capital Territory**

*Motion made and Ques proposed:*

The House:

*Notes* that the flagrant disregard and violation of traffic rules by private and commercial drivers has led to loss of lives and properties within the Abuja metropolis, causing physical, emotional, psychological and economic dislocation to victims;

*Disturbed* that according to statistics by the Federal Road Safety Corps and other traffic management agencies, while some Abuja residents have lost their lives, others are thrown into physical disability, making the Federal Capital Territory one of the cities with the highest cases of traffic lights violation in Nigeria;

*Concerned* that according to statistics the major culprits being top government officials and influential personalities, thus making it very difficult for traffic management agencies to effect arrest and prosecution of this group of traffic offenders;

*Worried* that due to dereliction of duties by relevant agencies in the Federal Capital Territory, some of the traffic lights have either stopped working or malfunctioning, thereby contributing negatively to the alarming rate of road accidents;

*Resolves to:*

- (i) urge the Federal Road Safety Corps and other relevant traffic management agencies to:
  - (a) embark on regular, intensive and strategic advocacy to educate vehicle drivers on the need to obey traffic lights and the various consequences of non-compliance,
  - (b) ensure that offenders of traffic lights violation, irrespective of status are apprehended and prosecuted accordingly to serve as a deterrent to other vehicle drivers;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA) to ensure that all traffic lights within the metropolis are working;
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Federal Capital Territory, and Federal Road Safety Commission to ensure compliance (*Hon. Yusuf Ayo Tajudeen — Ijumu/Kabba-Bunu Federal Constituency*).

*Debate.*

***Agreed to.***

The House:

*Noted* that the flagrant disregard and violation of traffic rules by private and commercial drivers has led to loss of lives and properties within the Abuja metropolis, causing physical, emotional, psychological and economic dislocation to victims;

*Disturbed* that according to statistics by the Federal Road Safety Corps and other traffic management agencies, while some Abuja residents have lost their lives, others are thrown into physical disability, making the Federal Capital Territory one of the cities with the highest cases of traffic lights violation in Nigeria;

*Concerned* that according to statistics the major culprits being top government officials and influential personalities, thus making it very difficult for traffic management agencies to effect arrest and prosecution of this group of traffic offenders;

*Worried* that due to dereliction of duties by relevant agencies in the Federal Capital Territory, some of the traffic lights have either stopped working or malfunctioning, thereby contributing negatively to the alarming rate of road accidents;

*Resolved to:*

- (i) urge the Federal Road Safety Corps and other relevant traffic management agencies to:
  - (a) embark on regular, intensive and strategic advocacy to educate vehicle drivers on the need to obey traffic lights and the various consequences of non-compliance,
  - (b) ensure that offenders of traffic lights violation, irrespective of status are apprehended and prosecuted accordingly to serve as a deterrent to other vehicle drivers;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA) to ensure that all traffic lights within the metropolis are working;
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Federal Capital Territory, and Federal Road Safety Commission to ensure compliance (**HR. 04/06/2021**).

## 26. Need to Reinforce Guidance and Counselling in Schools Across the Nation

*Order read; deferred by leave of the House.*

## 27. Consideration of Reports

- (i) **Committee on Healthcare Services:**  
*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Healthcare Services on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Compulsory Treatment and Care for Victims of Gunshots Act, to Expand and bring the Long Title in Conformity with the actual Intendment of the Bill, Provide Stiff Punitive Measures to Checkmate Violations; and for Related Matters (HB. 728)” (*Hon. Yusuf Tanko Sununu — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Agreed to.*

*Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.*

### (HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

*(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)*

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMPULSORY TREATMENT  
AND CARE OF GUNSHOTS ACT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE COMPULSORY  
TREATMENT AND CARE FOR VICTIMS OF GUNSHOTS, OTHER  
WEAPONS AND FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS

#### **Committee Recommendation:**

#### **Clause 1: Amendment of the Principal Act.**

The Compulsory treatment and care for victims of Gunshots Act (herein referred to as "the Principal Act") is hereby amended as set out hereunder (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 1 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*



**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 2: Amendment of the Principal Act.**

The Principal Act is hereby amended by substituting the title with another to wit:

“Compulsory treatment and care for victims of gunshots, other weapons Act” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 2 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 3: Amendment of the Long Title.**

The Long Title of the Principal Act is hereby amended by substituting same with another long title to wit:

"An Act to provide for the Compulsory treatment and care for victims of gunshots, other weapons, grievous bodily harm and for other related matters" (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 3 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 4: Amendment of Section 1.**

Section 1 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "wound" the phrase "and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon:

“As from the commencement of this Bill, every hospital in Nigeria whether public or private shall accept or receive, for immediate and adequate treatment with or without police clearance, any person with gunshot wound and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 4 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 5: Amendment of Section 2 (1).**

Section 2 (1) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "wound" the phrase "and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon:

“Every person, including security agents, shall render every possible assistance to any person with gunshot wounds and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon and ensure that the person is taken to the nearest hospital for immediate treatment” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 5 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 6: Amendment of Section 2 (2).**

Section 2 (2), paragraph (a), of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "wounds" the phrase "and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon:

“(a) a person with a gunshot wound and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon shall be received for immediate and adequate treatment by any hospital in Nigeria with or without initial monetary deposit, and” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal*

*Constituency).*

*Question that Clause 6 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 7: Amendment of Section 2 (2).**

Section 2 (2), paragraph (b), of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "wounds" the phrase "and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon:

“(b) a person with a gunshot wound and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon shall not be subjected to inhuman and degrading treatment or torture by any person or authority including the police or other security agencies;

(c) expenses incurred through service rendered shall be paid for after the emergency by the patient or his next of kin, NHIS if he is insured or through the emergency component of the BHCPF where such a person is vulnerable”  
(*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 7 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 8: Amendment of Section 3.**

Section 3 (1) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "wounds" the phrase "and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon:

“A hospital that receives or accepts any person with a gunshot wound and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon for treatment shall report the fact to the nearest police station within two hours of commencement of treatment” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 8 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 9: Amendment of Section 3 (2).**

Section 3 (2) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "shot" the phrase "grievously injured":

“Upon receipt of the report under subsection (1) of this section, the police shall immediately commence investigation with view to determining the circumstances under which the person was shot or grievously injured” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 9 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:****Clause 10: Amendment of Section 4.**

Section 4 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "wounds" the phrase "and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon:

"The police shall not invite any person with gunshot wounds and other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon from the hospital for the purposes of investigation unless the Chief Medical Director of the hospital certifies him fit and no longer in dire need of medicare" (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 10 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:****Clause 11: Amendment of Section 6.**

Section 6 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by deleting the entire paragraph and replacing same with a new paragraph as follows:

"A person who receives the report under Section 3 (2) of this Bill shall furnish to the hospital with background information on the victim" (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 11 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:****Clause 12: Amendment of Section 7.**

Section 7 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by replacing the figure "₦50,000.00" in line 2 with "not less than ₦100,000.00":

"A person who fails, neglects or refuses to give the report required under section 6 of this Bill commits an offence and is liable on conviction, or a fine of not less than ₦100,000.00 or imprisonment for a term of six months or both" (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

**Amendment Proposed:**

Immediately after the words "not less than", *leave out* the amount "₦100,000.00", and *insert* the amount "₦1,000,000.00" (*Hon. Shehu Koko — Maigana/Koko-Besse Federal Constituency*)

*Question that the amendment made — Agreed to.*

*Question that Clause 12 as amended, stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:****Clause 13: Amendment of Section 8.**

Section 8, of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "gunshots" the phrase "or other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon:

"Every volunteer or helper of a victim of gunshots or other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon shall be treated with respect and shall not be subjected to unnecessary and embarrassing interrogation in their genuine attempt to save life" (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 13 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 14: Amendment of Section 9.**

Section 9, of the Principal Act is hereby amended by deleting the phrase "five years" in line 4 and replacing it with the phrase "ten years":

“A person who commits an offence under this Bill which leads to or causes substantial physical, mental, emotional and psychological damage to the victim, commits an offence and is liable on conviction to imprisonment for a term of not more than 15 years and not less than ten years without the option of fine” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 14 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 15: Amendment of Section 10.**

Section 10, of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "wounds" the phrase "or other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon":

“A hospital that receives any person with gunshot wounds or other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon shall notify the family members or relations of the victim as far as they may ascertain within 24 hours of becoming aware of the victim's identity” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 15 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 16: Amendment of Section 11.**

Section 11, of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "wounds" the phrase "or other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon" and replacing the figure "₦500,000.00" in line 4 with ₦1,000,000.00:

“Any Person or authority including any police officer, other security agent or hospital who stands by and fails to perform his duty under this Bill which results in the unnecessary death of any person with gunshot wounds or other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of ₦1,000,000.00 or imprisonment for a term of five years or both” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 16 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 17: Amendment of Section 12.**

Section 12, of the Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after the word "wounds" the phrase "or other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon".

“A hospital or facility that takes or receives for treatment any person with gunshot wounds or other grievous bodily harm occasioned by the use of any other weapon shall keep adequate record of that treatment” (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 17 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 18: Amendment of Section 15.**

Section 15 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting "weapon means guns, machetes, knives, daggers, and any other instruments or objects used to inflict grievous bodily harm on a victim:

"weapons" means guns, machetes, chemicals, knives, daggers, and any other instruments or objects used to inflict grievous bodily harm on a victim (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

**Amendments Proposed:**

- (i) NHIS means “Nation Health Insurance Scheme” (*Hon. Yusuf Tamko Sununu — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*)

*Question that the amendment made — Agreed to.*

- (ii) BHCPF means “Basic Health Care Provision Act” (*Hon. Yusuf Tamko Sununu — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*)

*Question that the amendment made — Agreed to.*

*Question that Clause 18 as amended, stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Committee Recommendation:**

**Clause 19: Citation.**

This Bill may be cited as the Compulsory Treatment and Care of Victims of Gunshots Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021 (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

*Question that Clause 19 stands part of the Bill — Agreed to.*

**Long Title:**

A Bill for an Act to amend the Compulsory Treatment and Care of Gunshots Act, to Provide for the Compulsory Treatment and Care for Victims of Gunshots, other Weapons and for Other Related Matters (*Hon. Tanko Sununu Yusuf — Ngaski/Shanga/Yauri Federal Constituency*).

***Agreed to.***

*Chairman to report Bill.*

**(HOUSE IN PLENARY)**

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Healthcare Services on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Compulsory Treatment and Care for Victims of Gunshots Act, to Expand and bring the Long Title in Conformity with the actual Intendment of the Bill, Provide Stiff Punitive Measures to Checkmate Violations; and for Related Matters (HB. 728) and approved Clauses 1 - 11, approved Clause 12 as amended, approved Clause 13 - 16, approved Clause 17 as amended, approved Clauses 18 - 19, and the Long Title.

*Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.*

(ii) **Committees on Defence, and Army:**

*Motion made and Question proposed*, “That the House do consider the Report of the Committees on Defence, and Army on the Confirmation of Appointment of the Chief of Army Staff and approve the recommendation therein” (Hon. Babajimi Benson — Ikorodu Federal Constituency).

*Agreed to.*

*Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.*

**(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)**

*(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)*

**Recommendation:**

“That Major General Faruk Yahaya be confirmed as the Chief of Army Staff of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, having successfully undergone the screening process of the Committee” (Hon. Babajimi Benson — Ikorodu Federal Constituency).

*Agreed to.*

*Chairman to report proceedings.*

**(HOUSE IN PLENARY)**

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committees on Defence, and Army on the Confirmation of Appointment of the Chief of Army Staff and approved the only recommendation of the Report.

*Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.*

**28. Adjournment**

*That the House do adjourn till Wednesday, 30 June, 2021 at 11.00 a.m. (Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado — House Leader).*

*The House adjourned accordingly at 2.01 p.m.*

**Femi Hakeem Gbajabiamila**

*Speaker*

*Speaker*

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**CORRIGENDUM**

In the *Votes and Proceedings* of Thursday, 10 June, 2021, No. 66, page 2304, item 17, *leave out* all the words in the Referral and *insert* the words “*Bill referred to the Committee on Financial Crimes.*”

**Femi Hakeem Gbajabiamila**

*Speaker*