

SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 22nd September, 2021

- 1. Prayers
- 2. Approval of the Votes and Proceedings
- 3. Oaths
- 4. Announcements (if any)
- 5. Petitions

BUSINESS OF THE DAY

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

- 1. Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons Bill, 2021 (SB. 794) First Reading Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader).
- 2. Explosives Act Cap E18 LFN 2004 (Repeal & Re-enactment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 793) First Reading Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader).
- 3. Federal Agricultural Research Centre Namu, Plateau State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 776) First Reading Sen. Nora, Ladi Daduut (Plateau South).
- 4. Federal University, Dutsin-ma Teaching Hospital (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 798)- First Reading Sen. Ahmad, Babba Kaita (Katsina North).
- 5. Agricultural and Rural Management Training Institute, Chikum (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 812)

 First Reading
 Sen. Sani, Uba (Kaduna Central).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

1. Executive Communication

Confirmation of the Nomination of the following persons for Appointment as Chairman, Chief Executive and Executive Directors for the Board of the Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader)

-That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President C-in-C on the confirmation of the nomination of the following persons for appointment as Chairman, Chief Executive and Executive Directors for the Board of the Nigerian Midstream and Downstream Petroleum Regulatory Authority in accordance with the provision of Section 34(3) of the Petroleum Industry Act, 2021:

S/NO.	NAME	POSITION	
1.	Idaere Gogo Ogan	Chairman	
2.	Engr. Sarki Auwalu	Chief Executive	
3.	Abiodun A. Adeniji	Executive Director, Finance and Accounts	
4.	Ogbugo Ukoha	Executive Director, Distributions System, Storage and Retail Infrastructure	

2. Executive Communication

Confirmation of the Nomination of the following persons for Appointment as Chairman, Chief Executive and Executive Commissioners for the Board of the Upstream Regulatory Commission

Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader)

-That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President C-in-C on the confirmation of the nomination of the following persons for appointment as Chairman, Chief Executive and Executive Commissioners for the Board of the Upstream Regulatory Commission in accordance with the provision of Section 11(3) of the Petroleum Industry Act, 2021:

S/NO.	NAME	POSITION
1.	Isa Ibrahim Modibbo	Chairman
2.	Engr. Gbenga Komolafe	Chief Executive
3.	Hassan Gambo	Executive Commissioner , Finance and Accounts
4.	Ms Rose C. Ndong	Executive Commissioner, Exploration and Acreage Management

3. Executive Communication

Confirmation of the Nomination of the following persons for Appointment as Secretary and Board Members of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC)

Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader)

-That the Senate do consider the request of Mr. President C-in-C on the confirmation of the nomination of the following persons for appointment as Secretary and Board Members of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) in accordance with the provision of Section 2(1) of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) Act, 2004:

S/NO.	NAME	POSITION	STATE OF ORIGIN
1.	George Abang Ekpungu	Secretary of the Commission	Cross River
2.	Luqman Muhammed	Board Member	Edo
3.	Anumba Adaeze	Board Member	Enugu
4.	Alh. Kola Raheem Adesina	Board Member	Kwara
5.	Alh. Yahaya Muhammad	Board Member	Yobe

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. Report of the Committees on Finance; National Planning; Foreign & Local Debts; Banking, Insurance & Other Financial Institutions; Petroleum Resources (Upstream); Downstream Petroleum Sector and Gas 2022 - 2024 Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and Fiscal Strategy Paper (FSP)

Sen. Adeola, Solomon Olamilekan (Lagos West)

-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committees on Finance; National Planning; Foreign & Local Debts; Banking, Insurance & Other Financial Institutions; Petroleum Resources (Upstream); Downstream Petroleum Sector and Gas on the 2022 – 2024 Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and Fiscal Strategy Paper (FSP).

2. Report of the Committee on Health (Secondary & Tertiary)

Federal Medical Centre Owutu-Edda (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 295)

Sen. Oloriegbe, Yahaya Ibrahim (Kwara Central)

-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Health (Secondary & Tertiary) on the Federal Medical Centre Owutu-Edda (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 295)

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an act to Repeal the Copyright Act Cap C28 LFN 2004 and to Re-enact the Copyright Act 2021 and for matters connected therewith, 2021 (SB. 769) - Second Reading Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader).

- 2. A Bill for an Act to repeal the Electric Power Sector Reform Act, 2005, consolidate the laws relating to the Nigerian Electricity Supply Industry and enact the Electricity Act, 2021 to provide a comprehensive legal and institutional framework for the post privatization phase of the power sector in Nigeria and for related matters, Bill, 2021 (SB. 511) - Second Reading Sen. Suswam, Gabriel Torwua (Benue North East).
- 3. A Bill for an Act to provide for the Establishment of the Federal University Gusau Teaching Hospital and for other connected matters therein, 2021 (SB. 640) - Second Reading Sen. Alhaji, Ya'u Sahabi (Zamfara North).

MOTIONS

1. Urgent need to encourage all Multinational and Nigerian Oil and Gas Companies to relocate to their Operational Base.

Sponsor: Senator Albert Bassey Akpan (Akwa Ibom North-East Senatorial District)

Sen. Ekpeyong C. Stephen (Akwa Ibom North West) Sen. Kalu, Orji Uzor (Abia North) Sen. Eyakenyi, Akon Etim (Akwa-Ibom South) Sen. Boroffice, Robert Ajayi (Ondo North) Sen. Abaribe, Enyinnaya Harcourt (Abia South) Sen. Alimikhena, Francis Asekhame (Edo North) Sen. Degi-Eremienyo, W.Biobarakuma (Bayelsa East) Sen. Henry, Seriake Dickson (Bayelsa West) Sen. Nwaoboshi, Peter Onyeluka (Delta North) Sen. Manager, James Ebiowou (Delta South) Sen. Ordia, Akhimienmona Clifford (Edo Central) Sen. Urhoghide, A. Matthew (Edo South) Sen. Ibezim, Frank Chukwuma (Imo North) Sen. Onyewuchi, Ezenwa Francis (Imo East) Sen. Umar, Sadiq Suleiman (Kwara North) Sen. Okorocha, Anayo Rochas (Imo West) Sen. Tinubu, Oluremi Shade (Lagos Central) Sen. Adeola, Solomon Olamilekan (Lagos West) Sen. Abiru, Mukhail Adetokunbo (Lagos East) Sen. Akinyelure, Patrick Ayo (Ondo Central) Sen. Tofowomo, Nicholas Olubukola (Ondo South) Sen. Orji, Theodore Ahamefule (Abia Central) Sen. Sekibo, George Thompson (Rivers East) Sen. Mpigi, Barinada (Rivers South-East) Sen. Cleopas, Moses Zuwoghe (Bayelsa Central) Sen. Apiafi, Betty Jocelyn (Rivers West)

The Senate

Notes with concern that multinational and Nigerian oil and gas companies have over the years been operating from their respective operational bases until militancy and insecurity in the host communities in the Niger Delta became the order of the day;

Also notes that the reason proffered by the oil and gas companies for not relocating to their host communities has always been due to insecurity and hostilities in the host communities;

Aware that operating outside the host communities and operational base is the reason for the high cost of production which has been the bane of the country's oil and gas industry, militating against maximum revenue from crude oil and gas sales to the Federation Account;

Recalls that this high cost of production has been one of the most contentious elements of our petroleum industry value chain;

Convinced that the recent passage and signing into law of the Petroleum Industry Act, 2021 (PIA) by the National Assembly and the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria respectively, is a major milestone towards the restoration of a lasting peace in the host communities;

Further convinced that the Petroleum Industry Act, 2021 now places certain responsibilities on the security, peace and safety of oil and gas infrastructure on the host communities to safeguard and ensure peaceful coexistence between oil and gas companies and their host communities;

Further convinced that there now exist an opportunity to restore, recover and rehabilitate the massive and huge infrastructural facilities abandoned by the various oil and gas companies in their various operational bases to ensure their full utilization; and

Assured that the relocation of these companies to their host communities will further boost development in those areas and enhance the corporate social relationship and strengthen our collective resolve to drastically reduce the contentious cost of production and ensure adequate returns to the federation account.

Accordingly resolves to:

Mandate the Senate Joint Committee on Petroleum Resources Upstream, Downstream and Gas to liaise with the Ministry of Petroleum Resources and the Presidential Implementation Committee on the Petroleum Industry Act (PIA), to further the possible relocation of the oil and gas companies in Nigeria to their various operational bases to ensure their smooth operations.

2. Urgent need to conduct investigation on allegation of Fake Covid-19 Test Result being used to defraud Nigerians in Ghana and the obtainment of Fake Covid-19 Vaccination Cards.

Sponsor: Sen. Oloriegbe, Yahaya Ibrahim (Kwara Central)

Co-Sponsors: Sen. Umar, Sadiq Suleiman (Kwara North) Sen. Utazi, Chukwuka Godfrey (Enugu North)

Recall that the COVID-19 infection declared as a pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO) in February 2020 is still ravaging the world;

Aware that in the absence of a definitive cure for the COVID-19 infection, the main stance of management are the COVID-19 vaccinations and the observance of non-pharmaceutical prevention methods; use of hand sanitizers/hand washing, use of face mask and social distancing;

Aware also that in the early stages of the pandemic the economic and social life were shut down in many countries with the consequence of closure of boarders and air travels;

Further aware that with the improved understanding of the epidemiology of the disease, countries opened up their boarders and economy with the enforcement of compliance to negative COVID-19 testing and various quarantine conditions instituted by the countries;

Notes that while the global roll-out of COVID-19 vaccinations continues to accelerate, it's worth remembering that only around 1% of the world's population have received their full course of injections. Billions are still waiting for their first dose, which inevitably leads those people to question exactly when they will get it. Especially as plans are being made internationally to allow those that have been vaccinated, or can prove they have had a recent negative test, the freedom to travel to other countries, attend large-scale events, take a new job, and more;

Notes also that there's a strong and growing demand for vaccinations and test results because of the greater freedoms they will give to people. And of course, there will always be people who don't want to wait for their official vaccination, or for an official negative test result – and shady people willing to service that demand;

Further notes that there is a serious allegation that the Ghanaian authorities are diagnosing Nigerians who travel to their country of testing positive for Covid even after testing Negative in Nigeria;

Observes that the Ghanian Authorities, usually, commit Nigerians who visit their country to isolation for two weeks and are made to pay about seventy thousand Nigeria Naira per day;

Observes also that this allegation was exposed following a visit by a Nigerian artiste, Bella Shmuda, who was told in Ghana that he had Covid 19 even after testing negative at a Nigerian facility in Nigeria. He rejected

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Worried that Nigerians travelling to Ghana or through Ghana lamented that they are made to pay almost one million naira while in isolation;

Further worried that most of the Nigerians travelling to Ghana or through Ghana have alleged that the Ghanaian authorities have made them targets for the purpose of making money;

Concerned that if this allegation is not properly investigated and addressed, the exploitation will continue thereby unlawfully taking away the resources of Nigerians in this global economic recession; and

Worried that if the allegation of people obtaining and using fake COVID-19 vaccination cards to travel is not debunked, it may have negative consequence for Nigerians with genuine COVID-19 vaccination cards from travelling outside the country.

Accordingly resolves to:

Direct its Committees on Health (Secondary & Tertiary), Primary Health and Communicable Diseases and Foreign Affairs to conduct detail investigations on the two allegations of fake COVID-19 test result being used to defraud Nigerians in Ghana and obtainment /use of fake COVID-19 vaccinations

COMMITTEE MEETINGS								
No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue				
1.	Petroleum Resources (Upstream)	Wednesday, 22 nd September, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building				
2.	Health	Wednesday, 22 nd September, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 211 Senate New Building				
3.	Interior	Wednesday, 22 nd September, 2021	2.00pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building				
4.	Public Accounts	Wed. 22 nd - Thu. 23 rd , 2021 (Public Hearing)	2.00pm	Hearing Room 4 White House Building				
5.	Joint Committee on Education (Basic & Secondary) and Tertiary Institutions & TETFUND	Thursday, 30th September, 2021 (Investigative Hearing)	2.00pm	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building				

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