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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Thursday 17 February 2022

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PRESENTATION OF REPORT

Committee on Health Institutions:

Hon. Paschal Obi:

"That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Orthopaedic Hospitals Management Board Act, Cap. O10, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to Provide for Establishment of Federal Orthopaedic Hospital, Azare, Borno State; and for Related Matters (HB.1322)" *Referred10/6/2021*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Establish National Agricultural Development Fund for the Purpose of Providing Funding for Agricultural Development in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB. 1319) *Third Reading*.
- **2.** A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Education, Birniwa, Jigawa State to Provide full-time Courses, Teaching, Instructions and Training in Technology, Applied Science, Arts, Social Sciences, Humanities and Management; and for Related Matters (HB. 383) *Third Reading*.

- **3.** A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Federal Capital Territory Abuja, Area Courts Act, 2010 and Enact the Federal Capital Territory Abuja Area Courts Bill to, among other things, Expand the Jurisdiction of the Area Courts to entertain both Civil and Criminal Matters; and for Related Matters (HB. 67) *Third Reading*.
- **4.** A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs Act, Cap. N113, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs Bill to Broaden the Scope and Functions of the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs, Add more Value to Foreign Missions and provide for the Power to Conduct Courses of Instruction and Learning and Create an Academic Board to Award Postgraduate Diplomas (PGD) and Master's Degrees in International Relations, Diplomatic Practices; and for Related Matters (HB.1279) *Third Reading*.
- **5.** A Bill for an Act to Alter the provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 to make Economic and Social Rights in Chapter II Justiciable under the Constitution; and for Related Matters (HB.1659) (Hon. Ibrahim Babajide Obanikoro. and Three Others) Second Reading.
- 6. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Violence Against Persons (Prohibition) Act, 2015 to Prohibit Discrimination against Widows and all forms of Repressive and Degrading Widowhood Practices and to make Provision for the Definition of the Offence of Image-based Sexual Abuse under the Act and make Provision for Penalty for Offence of Image-based Sexual Abuse; and for Related Matters (HBs. 1711&1804) (Hon. Adejero Adeogun and Hon. Sergius Ogun) Second Reading.
- 7. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the National War College Act, Cap. N82, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the National Defence College Bill, 2020; and for Related Matters (HB.1143) (Hon. Aminu Ashiru Mani) Second Reading.

MOTIONS

8. Committal of Clauses 20, 24(2) and 25(2) (c) of the National Health Insurance Act (Repeal and Enactment) Bill, 2021(HB. 117):

Hon. Abubakar Hassan Fulata:

The House:

Notes that the National Health Insurance Act (Repeal and Enactment) Bill, 2021 was passed by the National Assembly and transmitted to the President for Assent;

Aware that upon a critical examination of the Bill by the President, some fundamental issues in Clauses 20, 24 (2) and 25 (2) (c) which require fresh legislative action were raised;

Desirous of the need to address the President's observations and make necessary amendments;

Resolves to:

Commit Clauses 20, 24(2) and 25(2) (c) to the Committee of the Whole for reconsideration

9. Need to Establish an Ultra-Modern Museum of National Unity in Abuja: Hon Obinna Chidoka:

The House:

Notes that Museums are repositories of history, art and practices of a people in a way that the future generation remains in touch with their ancestry, while the museum becomes a focal point of tourism;

Also notes that Nigeria has a rich endowment of historical facts, artifacts and monuments, which becomes imperative to explore in a way that will draw the interest of the international community:

Cognizant that a central ultra-modern facility with a capacity to hold over two hundred and fifty (250) cultural and ethnic heritage of the country would preserve identities and history of Nigeria, promote tourism and contribute to the much needed foreign direct investments in the Country;

Also cognizant that the museum, when established, would serve as a repository for research and development as well as provide a safe place to preserve priceless artifacts being returned to the country from across the globe;

Aware that the Facility will provide for other businesses to thrive and cater for tourists and other visitors as well as other services:

Resolves to:

Mandate the Committees on Culture and Tourism and the Federal Capital Territory to liaise with relevant Government Agencies with a view to establishing an Ultra-Modern Museum of National Unity in Abuja and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

10. Call on the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) to Urgently Deploy Physical Enumerators and Other Assistance to conduct New Voter Registration Across all Federal Constituencies:

Hon. Abubakar Makki Yalleman:

The House:

Notes that the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) was established to, among other things, organize elections in Nigeria as well as put all necessary processes in place for the successful conduct of elections in Nigeria;

Also notes that the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC), in carrying out one of its constitutional duties, has put in place the machinery for the virtual Continuous Voters Registration (CVR), which has been ongoing;

Concerned that Mallam Madori/Kaugama Federal Constituency and many other Federal Constituencies have been placed at disadvantage position due to non-availability of Registration centers and officials, inadequate power supply, insufficient operational tools and equipment as well as inadequate enlightenment program, the effect of which are low figure recorded within the constituencies;

Worried that if the voter's registration exercise is concluded without addressing the above-mentioned challenges, thousands of potential voters in Nigeria will be disenfranchised during the forthcoming elections;

Concerned that given current realities in the Constituency, INEC may need to engage in both physical and virtual processes by introducing physical enumerators to make up for the lapses in the online registration exercise;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Independent National Electoral Commission to take immediate steps to conduct physical registrations throughout the Federation;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Electoral Matters to ensure compliance.

11. Need to Rehabilitate the Collapsed Kanke-Langtang Road: Hon, Beni Lar:

The House:

Notes that roads are critical to the economic development of any nation, it enhances social benefits by providing access to employment, social, health and education services;

Also notes that Kanke-Langtang road, which was constructed in 1979 has collapsed; thus slowing down development in the surrounding communities;

Aware that according to statistics by the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), between 2015 and in 2016, there were twelve thousand and seventy-seven (12,077) road accidents of which five hundred and four hundred (5,400) persons died, while the Nigeria Bureau of Statistics stated that there were eleven thousand three hundred and sixty-three (11,363) road crashes with five hundred and fifty-three (5,053) deaths in 2017, and the numbers continue to be high every year;

Concerned that Kanke- Langtang road in Plateau State has degenerated to such a deplorable state that plying the road has become extremely hazardous and the loss of lives continued unabated due to poor road maintenance in the country;

Worried about the reoccurring accidents due to the deplorable state of the road thus frustrating travelers and exposing them to the risk of being robbed or kidnapped;

Also worried that if the road is not urgently rehabilitated, transportation, which is one of the major drivers of economic growth, will completely become unbearable, thereby grounding the economic activities of the people;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) to take urgent steps to rehabilitate the Kanke-Langtang road in Plateau State;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) to ensure compliance.

12. Need to Provide Body-Worn Cameras for Security Operatives in the Country and Create a Situation Room:

Hon. Chinedu Emeka Martins.

The House:

Notes that security of lives and properties of the citizens is a primary responsibility of the Federal Government;

Also notes that Security Agencies have been exploring solutions to mitigate the growing insecurity in the country, especially considering the lack of adherence to rules of engagement on the part of security operatives on duty;

Aware that a body camera is a wearable audio-visual or photographic system which integrates with in-car video and used to record events involving law enforcement officers in order to improve transparency and accountability of law enforcement agencies;

Concerned about allegations of harassment, extortion and extra-judicial killings of citizens by security operatives, which often results in reprisals and uprising by the citizens;

Convinced that security operatives, who often experience litigious scrutiny over their conduct in the discharge of their duties ought to wear body cameras in order to have picture and video evidence of their activities;

Cognizant that the body cameras will keep the security operatives in check, considering the massive allegations of human rights violation by security operatives and lack of evidence to indict them;

Also cognizant that the introduction of body cameras will not only douse tension and promote trust and professionalism among the security agencies but will institutionalize the rules of engagement to foster a harmonious relationship between security operatives and the citizenry;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Government to provide Body Cameras for all security Operatives on duty across the country;
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Police Affairs, Army and National Security and Intelligence to ensure compliance.

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13. Call to Assess the Economic Impact, Compensation and Financing Remediation Program for Oil –Spill Ravaged Communities of Ohaji/Egbema, Oguta of Imo State and Niger Delta Area of Nigeria: Hon. Uju Chima Kingsley:

The House:

Notes that crude oil spill has been a recurrent issue in Nigeria, and despite efforts to curtail its prevalence, stakeholders and agencies have not made concerted efforts to ensure that the legal instruments/policies are strictly adhered to by the exploration entities;

Also notes that due to the geographical peculiarities of Ohaji/Egbema, Oguta Local Government Area, as well as the Niger Delta areas of Nigeria, the predominant occupations amongst their indigenous peoples, are farming and fishing;

Concerned that oil spill in the host communities has resulted in pollution of the rivers and low yield to farmers due to poor soil quality a resultant effect of oil spill on the land;

Also concerned that the spills have caused diseases, psychological trauma and stress, occupational displacement, decreased income, and untold hardship for the people Ohaji/Egbema, Oguta communities in Imo State;

Cognizant of the need for oil exploration entities to be proactive in addressing the problems created by the oil spill, as well adequate compensations to impacted communities;

Also cognizant of the need for a remediation program, which should be jointly financed by the oil companies and the Federal Government to alleviate the sufferings of the people in the affected communities;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Government to design a workable compensation template for indigenes of the communities affected by the oil spill in Ohaji/Egbema, Oguta Local Government Area of Imo State, and other oil-producing areas across the country;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Government to set up a remediation program solto providing soft loans for indigenous entrepreneurs in impacted communities to help finance their small and medium scale commercial businesses, with clearly defined terms for repayment;
- (iii) mandate the Committees on Petroleum Resources (Upstream), Petroleum Resources (Downstream), and NDDC to conduct an impact assessment and evaluation of the effects of the oil spill in Ohaji/Egbema, Oguta Local Government Area of Imo State to ensure that the people are adequately compensated and implementation of the previous resolutions.

14. Need to Sustain the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) 100 for 100 Policy on Production and Productivity (PPP):

Hon. Chris Azubogu:

The House:

Notes that on Monday, January 3, 2022, the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) commenced implementation and subsequent disbursement of a total sum of N23.20 billion to 28 Companies whose projects were selected for funding in the maiden batch of its newly introduced 100 for 100 Policy on Production and Productivity (PPP) initiative:

Also notes that the policy which is geared towards the funding of manufacturing companies that meet the specified requirements as stipulated on the policy, is designed to help reverse the nation's over-reliance on importation by creating an ecosystem that targets and supports the right projects with the potential to transform and catalyze the productive base of the economy;

Aware that the policy will support the Economic Development Agenda of the House of Representatives and ensure an increase in economic activities by increasing production of goods and services as well as creating employment for the teeming population;

Also aware that the first cycle of the PPP witnessed 243 applications valued at N321.06 billion and spread over key sectors including agriculture, energy, healthcare, manufacturing, and services sectors, and the maiden disbursement, which was valued at N23.20 billion, comprised 14 in the manufacturing sector, 12 in the agricultural sector, and in the healthcare sector;

Cognizant that the policy will improve the capacity of Nigeria to produce goods for its population and Sub Saharan Africa market especially as well as protect the country from being a dumping ground for substandard products;

Also cognizant that the programme, if well implemented, will contribute immensely to Industrialization, increase capacity to create employment for the teeming youth and improve revenues through exports and reduced importation of goods, thereby improving the economy of the country;

Resolves to:

- (i) Commend the Federal Government for the 100 for 100 Policy on Production and Productivity (PPP) initiative;
- (ii) mandate the Committees on Banking and Industry to study the policy and make recommendations towards improving and sustaining the programme for the benefit of Nigeria as a whole.
- 15. Urgent Need to Check the Incessant Killings, Wanton Destruction of Properties and Displacement of Ilaje People in Brass Local Government Area of Bayelsa State:
 Hon. Kolade Victor Akinjo:

The House:

Also notes that on Monday, 7 February, 2022, assailants attacked unarmed Ilaje fishermen on a fishing expedition in the high sea of Twon-Brass, Brass Local Government Area of Bayelsa State, leaving many dead, several others injured and some are still missing;

Disturbed that the assailants did not only kill their victims during the attacks but also burnt their fishing boats, nets and carted away their outboard engines;

Concerned that IIaje people residing in Twon-Brass are fleeing the community in droves for fear of further attacks and the fishermen who are mostly of IIaje extraction have boycotted fishing activities because of the current insecurity in the area;

Cognizant that despite the unprovoked attack, senseless killings and wanton destruction of properties and means of livelihoods, the people of IIaje community in Brass have continued to show a peaceful disposition, thus averting the inter-ethnic crisis allegedly intended by the assailants;

Resolves to:

- (i) Observe a minute of silence in honour of the deceased victims of the attack on Ilaje Community of Twon-Brass in Brass Local Government Area of Bayelsa State;
- (ii) commiserate with the bereaved families;
- (iii) call on the Federal Government to investigate the mass killing and ensure that the culprits are prosecuted;
- (iv) also call on the Federal Government to provide relief materials for the affected lIaje fishermen who have been adversely affected by the senseless attacks and unable to continue fishing in the interim;
- (v) urge the Nigerian Navy, the Nigeria Police Force and other relevant security agencies to further strengthen their security presence along the coast of Brass and its environs;
- (vi) mandate the Committee on National Security and Intelligence to ensure compliance.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

16. A Bill for an Act to Provide for Establishment of Federal Medical Centre, Owutu Edda; and for Related Matters (HB. 1647) (*Senate*) – *Committee of the Whole: 19/1/2022*.

17. Committee on Ecological Fund:

Hon. Ibrahim A. Isiaka:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Ecological Fund on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Regulation of Ecological Funds, to Address Nigeria's Ecological Challenges particularly Erosion, Landslide, Desertification, Floods, Oil Spillage, Draught, etc; and for Related Matters (HB. 739) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid:* 10/2/2022).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS				
S/N	Committee(s)	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Thursday17 February 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Thursday17 February 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex
3.	Ad-hoc Committee Investigating the Wanton Killings in Wase Local Government Area and the Nigerian Police Armoury	Thursday17 February 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 440 (New Building) Assembly Complex
4.	All Progress Congress (APC) Caucus Meeting	Tuesday 22 February 2022	4.00 p.m.	Hearing Room 0.28 (New Building) Assembly Complex
5.	Safety Standards and Regulations	Tuesday 22 February 2022	4.00 p.m.	Hearing Room 440 (New Building) Assembly Complex