FOURTH REPUBLIC 9TH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (2019–2023) THIRD SESSION No. 113



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 15 February 2022

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to Establish Auctioneers Registration Council of Nigeria for the purpose of Regulating and Monitoring the Business and Practice of Auctioneers and Auctioneering in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (HB.1489) (Hon. Tahir Monguno) Second Reading.
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Criminal Code Act, Cap. C38, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004; and for Related Matters (HB.1601) (Hon. Francis Ejiroghene Waive) Second Reading.
- **3.** A Bill for an Act to Establish National Security Coordination Centre in the Country for all Security Agencies Coordination in Combating Acts of Terrorism including Banditry, Kidnappings; and for Related Matters 1772) (Hon. Ahmed Munir & Hon. Magaji Aliyu Dau) Second Reading.
- **4.** A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal College of Agriculture, Abi, Cross River State to Provide Full-Time Courses leading to the Award of Diploma, Higher National Diploma in Agriculture and Allied Fields, and be Responsible for the Due Administration of the College; and for Related Matters (HB. 1629) (Hon. Alex Egbona) Second Reading.
- 5. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Orphanage Regulatory Agency to be saddled with Responsibility of Coordinating and Regulating all forms of Children under the care of Orphanage Homes or Centres, Corporate

Affairs Commission Certification for proper Management especially Monitoring and Evaluating on their Hygiene conditions, the total number of incoming Orphans Demographically in the Centres and outgoing of Orphans to any Destination through Record-Keeping to avoid Mismanagement or Corruption within the Orphanage Homes generally; and for Related Matters (HB.1796) - (Hon. James Adisa Owolabi) – Second Reading.

MOTIONS

6. Incessant killings by Officers of the Nigeria Customs Service in Egbado South/Ipokia Federal Constituency of Ogun State:

Hon. Kolawole Lawal:

The House:

Notes that Egbado South/Ipokia Federal Constituency is a border Community of Ogun State in need of enhanced security as the protection of lives and properties is the primary responsibility of government;

Aware that Monday, October 7, 2019, men of the Nigeria Customs Service ran into some students of Ojumo Community High School, Ihunbo in Ipokia Local Government area of Ogun State who were returning from school, killed three students and injured many others with their vehicle;

Also aware that on 1 May, 2020, Ridwan Bello, an SS2 Student of Area Community High School in Owode—Yewa was killed by a stray bullet and another killing by the men of NCS was recorded on 28 March, 2020 when a stray bullet hit 15-year-old Miss Sekinat Agbelade, an SS3 Student of Agosasa High School;

Concerned that in the past few months, Egbado South/Ipokia have been subjected to psychological trauma due to incessant killings of law-abiding citizens by men of the Nigeria Customs Service (NCS) in the guise of clamping down on smugglers;

Also concerned that the incessant and sporadic shootings by men of the Nigeria Customs Services (NCS) have resulted in the death of several students and varying degrees of injury to many constituents of Egbado South/Ipokia;

Informed that men of the NCS claimed that the accidental killings occurred in the course of discharging their duties while pursuing smugglers, which ended in the death of innocent people while the suspects escaped unharmed leaving the families of the deceased and the communities in deep grief for the irreparable loss of their loved ones;

Disturbed that in spite of appeals to the leadership of the Nigerian Customs Service in Idiroko and an ongoing petition which is currently before the House of Representatives, the NCS personnel have continued to act in a wanton manner;

Worried that the recklessness and lack of respect for human lives being exhibited by men of the Nigeria Customs Service in the discharge of their duties have resulted in the death of the following people, among others:

- (a) Mrs. Fausat Bankole, an innocent Nigerian, a widow, and mother of three was killed at Ilashe in Ipokia Local Government on 21 June 2017;
- (b) Mr. Paul Ayomaya Oriyomi, who was an undergraduate, was killed by Customs officers in the Ajilete area of Egbado South Local Government on the 22 October 2017 while returning home from church;
- (c) Mr. Niyi Adesanmi, a young Law graduate was also killed by the officers of Nigeria Customs Service at Aseko area of Ipokia Local Government on the 10 May, 2018;
- (d) Mr Jamiu Bello and one other person were killed by men of the Nigeria Customs in Owode area of Egbado South Local Government on the 3rd of January, 2019;

Resolves to:

- (i) Observe a minute of silence in memory of all the victims of unlawful killings by men of the Nigerian Customs Service (NCS);
- (ii) urge the Federal Government to ensure that the officers who were complicit and indicted in the incidents are prosecuted to serve as a deterrent to other Officers;
- (iii) also urge the Federal Government to ensure that the families of all the deceased, as well as the injured ones at the scene of the Ihunbo incident where three students were killed, are given adequate financial compensation;
- (iv) mandate the Committee on Customs and Excise to liaise with the Nigeria Customs Service to ensure that officers of NCS are trained and retrained to avoid killing of innocent people and maintain professionalism in the discharge of their duties.

7. Need to Develop African Traditional Medicine in Nigeria: Hon. Bashiru Ayinla Dawodu:

The House:

Notes that herbal-based traditional medicines and phytomedicine play significant roles in disease management in Africa and are widely used as alternative medicines;

Also notes that since in 2019, the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) ravaged the world, and as scientists try to find a cure for it, research in traditional and orthodox medicine as a potential therapy for the virus have been prevented from being made public;

Further notes that herbal medicines are naturally occurring plant-derived substances used to treat various ailments, thus there is a crucial need to research plant-based medicine;

Aware that there have been several declarations as regards herbal remedies for the prevention and treatment of COVID-19, but such claims are difficult to verify because of lack of documented evidence;

Also aware that developing traditional medicines research has a huge potential for health and socio-economic development in Nigeria and the African continent at large;

Further aware that as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to spread in Africa, there is a need to increase and promote the use of herbal-based treatments for the disease;

Concerned that currently, no herbal remedy has been validated for prevention or treatment of COVID-19;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the National Institute for Research and Development to use the Center for the development of Traditional Medicine;
- (ii) also urge the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC) to intensify its effort on traditional medicine:
- (iii) mandate the Committee on Healthcare Services to ensure compliance.

8. Urgent Need to Reactivate the Nigerian Television Authority (NTA) Channel 35, Eket, Akwa Ibom State:

Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok:

The House:

Notes that the Nigerian Television Authority (NTA) is the largest television network in Nigeria with stations in several parts of the country, and is widely viewed as the authentic voice of the Nigerian government with a mandate to unite and build the nation through its programmes;

Also notes that the Federal Government commenced the building of NTA Channel 35, Eket, Akwa Ibom State in 2006, which was completed in 2008 and test run for commissioning in 2011 but was surprisingly abandoned on the eve of its commissioning after more than four hundred million Naira was invested;

Aware that the National Assembly made provisions in the 2014 budget for the installation and upgrade of the equipment needed for the commencement of services at the Station, however, the funds have not been fully accounted for till date;

Concerned that workers who were posted to the station many years ago are alleged to be on salary but without a place of work except for security guards who are always seen within the premises of the station, thus the project which was meant to be an asset to the Federal Government has become a drain on the system;

Worried that the equipment and other installations at the Station have been exposed to vandalization and continuous degradation while the host community who gave up their land in hopes of benefiting from the Station and its services have been left disappointed;

Believes that such a viable and people-oriented project with enormous potential for socio-political development should not be abandoned;

Resolves to:

- (i) Urge the Federal Ministry of Information, the Nigerian Broadcasting Corporation and the Nigerian Television Authority to expedite action to ensure the reactivation and commencement of services at the Nigerian Television Authority Channel 35, Eket, Akwa Ibom State;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Information, National Orientation, Ethics and Values to investigate the utilization of funds Budgeted for the Station from 2006 to date as well as the delay in the commencement of activities in the Station and report back within four (4) weeks for further legislative action.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

9. A Bill for an Act to Establish Federal Medical Centre, Rigasa, Kaduna State; and for Related Matters (HB. 1726) (*Senate*) – *Committee of the Whole: 1/2/2022*.

10. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Nnaemeka Ejiofor and Associates on behalf of the Management of Seals Consultants:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Nnaemeka Ejiofor and Associates on behalf of the Management of Seals Consultants against Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) on the determination and management Information of Dormant Account Balance within the Nigerian Financial System and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid:* 9/12/2020).

- (i) Urge the Central Bank of Nigeria to come up with a draft Bill for Establishment of Dormant Account Trust Fund that will enable the management of Seals Consultant to operate under as a legal entity;
- (ii) urge the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) to consider the Petitioner's Services rendered so far on the establishment of Dormant Account Trust Fund Company, the Managing Director, SEALS Consultants as a former staff of CBN with wide experience of technical Know-How in banking System initiated and be compensated commensurately for the unrelated effort that took him seven (7) years to develop.

11. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Azebiokhe Fellarson:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Azebiokhe Fellarson against the Nigerian Immigration Service on the unjust dismissal from Service and approve the recommendations therein" (Laid: 24/11/2020).

- Urge the Chairman of Board of Immigration, Prison, Civil Defense, and Fire Service to reinstate the *(i)* Petitioner to Service as recommended by the house in the 7th Assembly in the Votes and Proceedings of 17 February, 2011;
- that Azebiokhe Fellarson be paid all his salary arrears, benefits and entitlements from May, 1999 to date that is due to him;
- (iii) mandate the Committee on Legislative Compliance to ensure implementation.

12. **Committee on Public Petitions:**

Report on the Petition by Falana and Falana's Chambers on Behalf of the Dismissed Staff of Police Service Commission:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Falana and Falana's Chambers on Behalf of the Dismissed Staff of Police Service Commission for the Failure to Comply with the Judgment of the National Industrial Court in Suit No ICN/ABJ/199/2017 between Disukayode Rasheed and Nine (9) others for their Reinstatement back to the Service of the Police Service Commission and approve the recommendations therein" (Laid: 7/7/2020).

- Uphold the judgment of the National Industrial Court of 2016 in Suit No. NICN/ABJ/11/14 and direct (i)the Chairman of the Police Service Commission to reinstate the Petitioners to the Service of PSC;
- the Commission should obey Court Order and pay the petitioners all their benefits and entitlements due to them.

13. **Committee on Public Petitions:**

Report on the Petition by Victor Inyiama & Co. on behalf of Nnamdi Azikiwe University Teaching Hospital, Nnewi, Anambra State:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Victor Inyiama & Co. on behalf of Nnamdi Azikiwe University Teaching Hospital, Nnewi, Anambra State against the Central Bank of Nigeria and the First Bank Nigeria Plc for Non-compliance with the Resolution of the Fourth Republic, 8th National Assembly and approve the recommendation therein" (Laid: 8/2/2022).

Uphold the 8th Assembly Resolution dated Tuesday, 28 May, 2019 and urge the Central Bank of Nigeria to direct the affected Banks (First Bank, UBA, Zenith Bank and ECOBANK) to reverse the excess charges to the account of Nnamdi Azikiwe University Teaching Hospital, Nnewi, Anambra State as appropriate.

14. **Committee on Public Petitions:**

Report on the Petition by Anangbashim Julius and Associates on behalf of Dr. Francis Sabastine Dekaa: Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Anangbashim Julius and Associates on behalf of Dr. Francis Sabastine Dekaa against the Director-General/CEO of the Nigeria Meteorology Agency (NIMET) on the wrongful termination of his Appointment and approve the recommendations therein" (Laid: 6/7/2020).

- Urge the Director-General, NIMET to review the report of the Committee that recommended the *(i)* termination of appointment of Dr. Francis Sabastine Dekaa and reinstate him to the service of NIMET and pay him all his salary and entitlements, or return him to the Federal Civil Service Commission because the termination did not exhaust due process;
- (ii) also urge the Permanent Secretary of the Federal Civil Service Commission to recall Dr. Francis Sabastine Dekaa and redeploy him to other relevant Agencies where his services are needed as the country cannot throw away assets like Dr. Francis Sabastine Dekaa that the Government has heavily used Tax-Payer's Money in educating and developing.

15. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Freal Law Field on behalf of Major Jatau, Comrade Suleiman Abdulmumin and 120 others:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Freal Law Field on behalf of Major Jatau, Comrade Suleiman Abdulmumin and 120 others against the Management of Sheraton Hotel, Abuja for Non-Payment of Arrears of Salary, Redundancy Benefits and other Severance Packages of the Petitioners who were recently disengaged from the Service of the Hotel and approve the recommendation therein" (Laid: 10/6/2021).

Direct the Managing Director/Chief Executive of Sheraton Hotel and Towers, Abuja to pay Major Jatau, Suleiman Abdulmunin and 120 Others the arrears of their salaries, severance package and other benefits and entitlements due to them to enable them start life elsewhere since the disengagement did not follow due process.

16. Committee on Public Petitions:

Report on the Petition by Mrs. Orire Olayinka and Mrs. Idris Fatimo Yetunde:

Hon. Jerry Alagbaoso:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the Petition by Mrs. Orire Olayinka and Mrs. Idris Fatimo Yetunde against the Nigeria Customs Service for Non-payment of Death Benefits and Entitlement and approve the recommendations therein" (Laid: 8/2/2022).

- (i) urge the Comptroller-General, Nigeria Customs Service to ensure that all the remaining entitlements and benefits due to the Petitioner's deceased husband are paid to them accordingly.
- (ii) advise the petitioners to ensure that all necessary documents required to enable customs to process the remaining retirement benefits of their deceased husband are submitted without further delay.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee(s)	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business	Tuesday15 February 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions (Investigative Hearing)	Tuesday, 15 February 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 429 (New Building) Assembly Complex
3.	Ad-hoc Committee on NNPC Assets and Liabilities	Tuesday, 15 February 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 327 (New Building) Assembly Complex
4.	Agricultural Production and Services	Tuesday, 15 February 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 019 (New Building) Assembly Complex