

SENATE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 2nd February, 2022

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

BUSINESS OF THE DAY

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

- School of Mines and Geological Studies, Akoko Edo Local Government (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB. 441)

 First Reading
 Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader).
- 2. National Universities Commission Act (Amendment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 879) *First Reading* Sen. Onyewuchi, Ezenwa Francis (*Imo East*).
- 3. Fire Arms Act (Repeal & Re-enactment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 889) *First Reading* Sen. Musa, Mohammed Sani (*Niger East*).
- 4. Federal College of Fisheries and Aquatic Studies Igarra, Edo State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 908)
 First Reading Sen. Alimikhena, Francis Asekhame (*Edo North*).
- 5. Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) Act 2020 (Amendment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 910) *First Reading* Sen. Omo-Agege, Ovie Augustine (*Delta Central*).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

- A Bill for an Act to establish the National Social Security Commission (NASSCOM) for the regulation, management and administration of social security benefits and services, and other related matters, 2022 (SB. 899) – Second Reading Sen. Omo-Agege, Ovie Augustine (Delta Central).
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Veterinary Research Institute Gombe charged with the responsibility of facilitating research in animal diseases, treatment, control, nutrition and standardisation of manufactured animal feeds and for related matters, 2022 (SB. 782) *Second Reading* Sen. Alkali, Saidu Ahmed (*Gombe North*).

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

1. Committee of the Whole

Report on the National Transport Commission (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 427) Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader) -That the Senate do consider the National Transport Commission (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 427).

2. Committee on Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC)

Confirmation of the Nominations for Appointment as National Commissioners and Resident Electoral Commissioner for Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC)

Sen. Gaya, Kabiru Ibrahim (Kano South)

-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) on the confirmation of the nominations of the following persons for appointment as National Commissioners and Resident Electoral Commissioner for Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC).

NO.	NAMES	STATE	ZONE	POSITION
1.	Mal. Mohammed Haruna	Niger	North Central	National Commissioner
2.	Mrs. May Agbamuche-Mbu	Delta	South South	National Commissioner
3.	Ukeagu Kenneth Nnamdi	Abia	South East	National Commissioner
4.	Maj. Gen. A. B. Alkali (rtd)	Adamawa	North East	National Commissioner
5.	Engr. (Prof.) Rhoda H. Gumus	Bayelsa	South South	National Commissioner
6.	Mr. Sam Olumekun	Ondo	South West	National Commissioner
7.	Olaniyi Olaleye Ijalaye	Ondo	South West	Resident Electoral
				Commissioner

3. Report of Joint Committee on National Security and Intelligence; Defence; Police affairs and Judiciary, Human Rights & Legal Matters

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Sen. Gobir, Ibrahim Abdullahi (Sokoto East)

-That the Senate do consider the report of Joint Committee on National Security and Intelligence; Defence; Police affairs and Judiciary, Human Rights & Legal Matters on the #ENDSARS PROTEST: The mayhem visited on the Ancient City of Calabar the first capital of Nigeria on 23rd and 24th October, 2020.

4. Report of the Committee on Aviation Nigerian Safety Investigation Bureau (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 197) Sen. Adeyemi, Smart (Kogi West) -That the Senate do consider the report of the Committee on Aviation on the Nigerian Safety Investigation Bureau (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (SB. 197).

MOTION

1. Urgent need to revitalize the maritime sector and encourage the indigenous shipping companies with a view to prevent the loss of over \$17Billion annually due to dearth of National Shipping Line so as to boost the nation's economic development.

Sponsor: Sen. Kalu, Orji Uzor (Abia North)

The Senate:

Notes that despite our rich history in global maritime trade, Nigeria has continued losing billions of dollars in freight to foreign shipping lines over the inability of the country to successfully operate a vibrant national carrier to lift its own cargoes with its own vessels;

Further notes that the nation currently is losing over \$17 billion annually in freight due the lack of indigenous vessels, which is critical and essential to trade facilitation worldwide;

Observed that Nigeria has become wholly dependent on foreign owned and foreign registered vessels to facilitate our import and export trades;

Worried that inconsistency and policy somersault have been the major hindrance to the growth of the marine sector of the economy;

Further worried that since 1959 when the Nigerian National Shipping Line (NNSL) was established by the Nigerian government to facilitate seaborne trade for the country, as sea trade is the country's second-largest contributor to gross domestic product (GDP), the state-owned company was unable to compete with European shipping lines;

Concerned that despite the huge investment and subsidies, much of the investment went to enriching the political elite, leading to the liquidation of heavily indebted NNSL in 1995 with all 21 its vessels sold;

Also concerned that since the liquidation of NNSL, Nigeria has not been able to re-establish another shipping line 26 years after. Over these years, several committees have been set up to work out modalities to establish a sustainable shipping line, but to no avail as none of the committee has been able to come up with anything tangible;

Aware that despite Nigeria's strong influence in crude oil market, its cargoes are still being lifted by foreign shipping lines on Free on Board (FOB) freight term instead Cost Insurance and Freight (CIF), which invariably, all the freight incomes going into the foreigners' coffers while Nigeria continues to earn zero revenue;

Also aware that over 50 years, Nigeria has been exporting crude oil without any strong indigenous and Nigerian tankers (vessels) to carry its crude worth over \$17 billion annually, without it gaining \$1 on freight;

Observed that between 2004 and 2017, Nigeria recorded a total vessel traffic of 25,256 vessels with the total gross freight of \$39 billion and earning a paltry sum of \$1 billion as levy for NIMASA;

Also observed that despite the dearth of Nigerian flagged ships, Nigerians have registered 265 vessels with 6,485,000dwt in foreign countries and this development has been occasioned by our stringent policies and fiscal challenges that scare away private investors; and

Disturbed that security challenges such as piracy as well as fiancé has been a major impediment and obstacle to growth of indigenous shipping business.

Accordingly resolves to:

- i. *Urge* the Federal Ministry of Transportation to come up with a five year plan to holistically grow the domestic shipping sector; and
- ii. *Mandate* the Senate Committee on Maritime transport to urgently liaise with NIMASA and other stakeholders to urgently address the issue and report back to the Senate in 4 weeks.

BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

- National Centre for Ear, Nose and Throat Disease (NACENT) (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB. 13)

 Concurrence
 Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader).
- 2. Animal Disease Control Act (Repeal & Re-enactment) Bill, 2022 (HB. 423) *Concurrence* Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
- Federal University of Agriculture Dadin Kowa, Gombe State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB. 652)
 Concurrence Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (Kebbi North-Senate Leader).

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- 4. Federal Medical Centre Mubi, Adamawa State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB. 291) *Concurrence* Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
- 5. Harmonized Retirement Age for Teachers in Nigeria Bill, 2022 (HB. 1381) *Concurrence* Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS							
No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue			
1.	Host Communities	Wednesday, 2 nd February, 2022	2.00pm	Committee Room 211 Senate New Building			
2.	Public Accounts	Wednesday, 2 nd February, 2022 (Public Hearing)	2.00pm	Hearing Room 4 White House Building			
3.	Public Accounts	Thursday, 3 rd February, 2022 (Public Hearing)	1.00pm	Hearing Room 4 White House Building			
4.	Legislative Compliance	Wednesday, 9 th February, 2022	2.00pm	Committee Room 107 Senate New Building			
5.	Health	Monday, 14 th February, 2022 (Public Hearing)	11.00am	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building			
6.	Health	Tuesday, 15 th February, 2022 (Public Hearing)	2.00pm	Conference Room 231 Senate New Building			

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