



**SENATE OF THE
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
ORDER PAPER**

Wednesday, 27th April, 2022

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1. **Prayers**
 2. **Approval of the Votes and Proceedings**
 3. **Oaths**
 4. **Announcements (if any)**
 5. **Petitions**
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BUSINESS OF THE DAY

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

1. Federal Medical Centre Umuawulu (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 881) - *First Reading*
Sen. Ekwunife, Uche Lilian (*Anambra Central*).
 2. Federal College of Agriculture Isuochi, Abia State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 987) - *First Reading*
Sen. Kalu, Orji Uzor (*Abia North*).
 3. Vigilante Group of Nigeria (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB. 437) - *First Reading*
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
 4. National Cashew Production and Research Institute Idah, Kogi State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 1000)
- *First Reading*
Sen. Isah, Jibrin (*Kogi East*).
 5. National Institute of Information and Communication Technology Warake, Edo State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 1001) - *First Reading*
Sen. Alimikhena, Francis Asekhome (*Edo North*).
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION FOR RE-COMMITAL OF BILLS

1. Re-Committal of Bills to the Committee of the Whole.

The Senate:

Recalls that the following Bills were passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives and were transmitted to the Clerk of the National Assembly for onward transmission to the President C-in-C for Assent;

The Bills are:

1. Counselling Practitioners Council of Nigeria; and
2. Federal University of Agriculture, Jalingo;

Observes that some fundamental issues which require fresh legislative action by both Chambers of the National Assembly emerged after a critical analysis of the Bills by Mr. President C - in - C;

Aware that a Technical Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives and Directorate of Legal Services met and worked on the Bills;

Relying on order 1(b) and order 52(6) of Senate Standing Order, 2022 as amended.

Accordingly resolves to:

Rescind its decision on the Bills as passed and re-commit same to the Committee of the Whole for re-consideration and passage.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

1. A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Hajj Commission of Nigeria Act to restrict the activities of the Commission to its regulatory and coordinating functions as it relates to the conduct and operation of Hajj and Umra in Nigeria; prohibit the use of funds accruing to the Hajj Savings Schemes, provide for comprehensive licensing guidelines; and for related matters, 2022 (SB. 982) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Ibrahim, A. Danbaba (*Sokoto South*)).
2. A Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of the Institute of Information and Communication Technology Ogbolomabiri, Bayelsa State and for other matters connected therewith, 2022 (SB. 979) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Degi-Eremienyo, W.Biobarakuma (*Bayelsa East*).
3. A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Violence Against Persons (Prohibition) Act 2015, and Enact the Violence Against Persons (Prohibition) Bill, 2022 to eliminate violence in private and public life, prohibit all forms of violence against persons and to provide maximum protection and effective remedies for victims and punishment of offenders; and for related matters, 2022 (SB. 926) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Isah, Jibrin (*Kogi East*).
4. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Universities of Technology Act Cap F23 LFN 2004 and for other matters connected therewith, 2022 (SB. 948) - *Second Reading*
Sen. Bima, Muhammad Enagi (*Niger South*).

PRESENTATION AND CONSIDERATION OF A REPORT

1. Report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights & Legal Matters
Terrorism (Prevention) Act 2013 (Amendment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 662)
Sen. Bamidele, Micheal Opeyemi (*Ekiti Central*)
-That the Senate do receive and consider the report of the Committee on Judiciary, Human Rights & Legal Matters on the Terrorism (Prevention) Act 2013 (Amendment) Bill, 2022 (SB. 662).

MOTION

1. The need to establish National Museum at the Akassa Slave Trade Centre in Bayelsa State to preserve National Heritage.

Sponsor: Sen. Biobarakuma Degi-Eremienyo (*Bayelsa East*)

The Senate:

Notes that Akassa is a settlement at the southernmost tip of Nigeria in Bayelsa State where the Nun River estuary meets the Atlantic Ocean, with a lighthouse (a 90 meters high navigational facility) that had stood since 1910;

Further notes that due to the proximity of Akassa to the Atlantic, the settlement has always been a traditional trading site in Nigeria, especially in the business of palm oil trade during the colonial era;

Notes again that before the abolition of the slave trade, it was one of the major centres in the country where the harrowing effects of transatlantic slave trade resonates till this day; and during the British colonial years, it was the site of an outpost of the Royal Niger Company;

Recalls that the Akassa settlement in the seventeenth century now a sprouting Town was where the Nembe people in today's Bayelsa State waged a war valiantly against the British in 1895 with twenty-two war canoes and one thousand, five hundred foot soldiers due to the high-handedness of the Royal Niger Company and the obnoxious taxes imposed on the local people by the company;

Notes interestingly that in the year 1899, the charter of the Royal Niger Company was revoked, an act seen as partly a consequence of the war with the effect that from 1st January, 1900 the company sold all its possessions and concessions in Africa to the British government for £865,000;

Aware that some of the relics of the slave trade such as slave house; slave masters administrative block and quarters; slave jetty; slave transit tunnel; white - men grave yard, etc can still be found, even though erosion of past decades had eroded some of the antiquities; and

Observes that with the current efforts made by the government to diversify our economy, the Akassa Town is a veritable historical / heritage centre which will boost our tourism potentials and consequentially earn us foreign exchange if its heritage is well preserved.

Accordingly resolves to:

Direct the National Commission for Museum and Monuments to recognize the Akassa Slave Trade Centre and establish it as a National Slave Trade Museum in Bayelsa State.

BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

1. Federal Medical Centre Ogoja, Cross-River State (Establishment) Bill, 2022 (HB. 276) - *Concurrence*
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
2. Federal Medical Centre Igboora, Oyo State (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. 347) - *Concurrence*
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
3. Advertising Regulatory Council of Nigeria Bill, 2022 (HBs.137 & 518) - *Concurrence*
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).
4. Arbitration and Mediation Act, 2022 (HB. 91) - *Concurrence*
Sen. Abdullahi, Yahaya Abubakar (*Kebbi North-Senate Leader*).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

No.	Committee	Date	Time	Venue
1.	Petroleum Resources (Upstream)	Wednesday, 27 th April, 2022	2.00pm	Committee Room 204 Senate New Building
2.	ICT & Cyber Security	Wednesday, 27 th April, 2022	2.00pm	Committee Room 117 Senate New Building