FOURTH REPUBLIC 9TH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (2019–2023) FOURTH SESSION No. 123



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 28 March 2023

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

BILLS

- 1. A Bill for an Act to create the Framework for the Regulation of Franchising and to guide the Relationship between Franchisors and Franchisees in Nigeria; and for Related Matters (*Senate*) (HB.2185) *Second Reading*.
- 2. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Character Commission (Establishment, etc.) Act, Cap. F7, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 to make provisions for the Appointment of the Chairman and Secretary from different Regions of the Country to reflect the Principles of Federal Character; and for Related Matters (HB. 1563) (Hon. Unyime Josiah Idem) Second Reading.

MOTIONS

3. Discharge of Committees on Referrals on Bills, Pursuant to Order Eighteen, Rule 3(1)(g) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives:

Hon. Abubakar Hassan Fulata:

The House:

Notes that the following Bills were separately read a Second time and referred to various Committees of the House for legislative actions, namely:

S/No. Title of Bills Committee(s)

- Federal College of Education (Technical) Gwaram (Establishment) Bill, Tertiary Education and 2021 (HB. 1695)
 Federal Polytechnic, Orozo (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (HB.698)
 Tertiary Education and Services
- 3. Bank Employees Etc. (Declaration of Assets) Act (Amendment) Bill, 2021 Financial Crimes (HB.1303)
- **4.** Nigeria Police Intelligence Institute, Share (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. Police Affairs 1706)
- **5.** Federal College of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Share, Kwara State Agricultural College and (Establishment) Bill, 2021(HB. 1633)

 Institutions
- **6.** Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Urban Development and Planning Federal Capital Territory Commission (Establishment, etc.) Bill, 2020 (HB.707)
- 7. Abuja Environmental Protection Board (Establishment) Bill, 2021 (HB. Federal Capital Territory 1768)

Aware that the Committees are yet to present Reports on the Bills, contrary to the provisions of Order Eighteen, Rule 3 (1)(g) of the Standing Orders of the House of Representatives, to wit:

"Any matter referred to any Committee shall be treated within 30 days, otherwise the Committee shall stand discharged after 60 days and the matter committed to the Committee of the Whole for consideration."

Resolves to:

Discharge the Committees above mentioned from the Bills referred to them and commit same to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

4. Rescission of the 2016–2018 Federal Government External Borrowing (Rolling) Plan: Hon. Abubakar Hassan Fulata:

The House:

Notes that the 2016–2018 Federal Government External Borrowing (Rolling) Plan was approved by the Senate and the House of Representatives on 5 March 2020 and 2 June 2020 respectively;

Recalls that the National Assembly approved the sum of \$22,798,446,773 (twenty—two billion, seven hundred and ninety—eight million, four hundred and forty—six thousand, seven hundred and seventy—three United States Dollars) only under the 2016–2018 Medium Term External Borrowing (Rolling) plan;

Aware of the Communications from the Federal Ministry of Finance requesting approval of modifications to the financing proposal for the Nigerian Railway Modernization Project (Kaduna–Kano segment) occasioned by the COVID–19 Pandemic whereof China Exim Bank withdrew its support to finance the project;

Also aware that to secure funds for the project, the Contractor (CCECC Nigeria Limited) in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Transportation engaged China Development Bank (CDB) as the new financier in the sum of \$973,474,971.38 (nine hundred and seventy-three billion, four hundred and seventy-four million, nine hundred and seventy-one thousand and thirty-eight United States Dollars) only.

Resolves to:

(i) Rescind its decision on the financier and harmonized terms and approve the change of Financier from China Exim Bank to China Development Bank;

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(ii) also approve relevant conditions provided in the harmonized term sheet listed below:

Segment Kaduna–Zaria–Kano Financier China Development Bank

Type of Loan Commercial Loan

Maturity 15 years Currency Euro

Interest Rate 2.7% + 6 months Euribor

Commitment Fee 0.4% Upfront Fee 0.5%

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS

5. A Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal Medical Centres Act to Establish Federal Medical Centre, Okigwe; and for Related Matters (HB. 1603) – *Committee of the Whole: 22/3/2023*.

6. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services:

Hon. Aminu Sulieman:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Library Act, Cap. N56, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, and Enact the National Library Bill to Establish and Maintain the National Library of Nigeria, Strengthen its Statutory Functions and for Related Matters (HB.2109) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid: 31/1/2023*).

7. Committee on Tertiary Education and Services

Hon. Aminu Suleiman:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Tertiary Education and Services on a Bill for an Act to Establish David Umahi Federal University of Medical Sciences, Uburu, Ebonyi State; and for Related Matters (HB. 2016) and approve the recommendations therein" (*Laid:* 29/11/2022).

8. Committees on Tertiary Education and Services, Health Institutions, and Foreign Affairs: Hon. Aminu Sulieman:

"That the House do consider the Report of the Committees on Tertiary Education and Services, Health Institutions, and Foreign Affairs on the Need to Safeguard the Academic Pursuit of Nigerian Youths in Ukrainian Medical Universities and approve the recommendations therein" (*HR.* 23/06/2022) (*Laid:* 26/1/2023).

A. FOR FINAL YEAR STUDENTS (YEAR 6):

- (i) that a doctrine of necessity should be applied and any measure to be taken should be done with a human face that cannot be injurious to the students or the system in considering students in higher levels and other levels, so as to reduce time and resources lost;
- (ii) that the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria (MDCN) should in the spirit of nation-building, reconsider its position and allow the Ukrainian Medical Graduates of 2022 in the 6th and final year to write the MDCN assessment examination just like Ghana and India did for their graduates;
- (iii) on the other hand the MDCN is of the view that the graduates have a deficit as a result of non-completion of the remaining 2 months before the war, remedial course(s) for 3 to 4 months or for a short period of time, be organised as was the practice for all the returning foreign-trained medical graduates before it was cancelled in 2017 by the Council.

B. FOR OTHER LEVELS (LEVEL 5- LEVEL 1)

- (i) that the Federal Ministry of Education (FME), Joint Admission and Matriculation Board (JAMB) and National Universities Commissions (NUC), are to ensure the students are accommodated in the appropriate levels;
- (ii) Students should approach universities of their choice and apply to be absorbed.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

S/N	Committee (s)		Date	Time	Venue
1.	Rules and Business		Tuesday 28 March 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 06 (White House) Assembly Complex
2.	Public Petitions Hearing)	(Investigative	Tuesday 28 March 2022	3.00 p.m.	Committee Room 247 (New Building) Assembly Complex