



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 21 October, 2026

1. The House met at 11.12 a.m. Mr Deputy Speaker read the Prayers.
2. The House sang the National Anthem and recited the National Pledge.
3. Votes and Proceedings
Mr Deputy Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the *Votes and Proceedings* of Tuesday, 20 October, 2026.

The Votes and Proceedings was adopted by unanimous consent.

4. Announcement
 - (i) *Visitors in the Gallery:*
Mr Deputy Speaker announced the presence of Hon. Ogugua Mbadiwe, Imo State.
 - (ii) *Bereavement:*
Mr Deputy Speaker read a communication from Hon. Ikeagwuonu Onyinye Ugochinyere (*Ideato North/Ideato South Federal Constituency*), announcing the demise of Hon. Ralph Kanu Obioha (*Ideato North/Ideato South Federal Constituency*), a former Member, (1979 - 1983), on Saturday, 3 October 2026, at the age of 80.

A minute of silence was observed in honour of the deceased.

5. Petitions
 - (i) A petition from Ebimene Lonmax Endouwave, on behalf of Bluefinn Global Resources Limited, on alleged fraudulent procurement of operational license by Atinel Trading and Investment Company Limited and 4 others, was presented and laid by Hon Julius Pondi Gbabojoor (*Burutu Federal Constituency*);
 - (ii) A petition from African Centre for Justice and Human Rights, on alleged intimidation of African Heads of State by the Government and Authorities of the Kingdom of Belgium, was presented and laid by Hon. Ikeagwuonu Onyinye Ugochinyere (*Ideato North/Ideato South Federal Constituency*);

Petitions referred to the Committee on Public Petitions.

6. Matters of Urgent Public Importance (Standing Order Eight, Rule 4)

(i) *Need for the Executive Arm to Strengthen Preventive and Emergency Medical Measures Against the Spread of Ebola Virus Disease in Nigeria:*

Hon. Amobi Godwin Ogah (*Isuikwuato/Umunochi Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Need for the Executive Arm to Strengthen Preventive and Emergency Medical Measures Against the Spread of Ebola Virus Disease in Nigeria:

The House:

Notes that Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) is a severe and potentially fatal infectious disease that requires prompt detection, effective infection prevention and control measures, and coordinated public health intervention to prevent transmission and save lives;

Disturbed that on Tuesday, 20 October, 2026 an Ebola Virus case was confirmed in a woman arriving from Uganda, Abuja who tested positive; health authorities had traced 44 contacts for isolation and further tests;

Concerned that any delay in identifying suspected cases, conducting appropriate laboratory investigations, isolating confirmed cases, tracing contacts, or providing timely medical care could increase the risk of transmission and place additional pressure on the country's healthcare system;

Also concerned that inadequate public awareness, insufficient infection prevention and control supplies, gaps in healthcare workers' preparedness, and limited emergency response capacity could undermine efforts to prevent and contain the Ebola outbreak;

Recognizes the critical roles of the Federal Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security, relevant state ministries of health, port health authorities, and other stakeholders in strengthening national epidemic preparedness and response;

Acknowledges the importance of coordination with the World Health Organization (WHO) and other relevant international and regional public health institutions to ensure that Nigeria's preventive and response measures are guided by current scientific evidence and international health regulations;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Executive Arm to immediately mobilize all relevant Private, State and Federal Health Agencies to be on high alert to contain the outbreak of the disease;
- (ii) also urge the Executive Arm through the Ministry of Finance to as a matter of urgency release all outstanding appropriated funds to relevant health agencies to enable them effectively handle the discharge of their responsibilities;

- (iii) further urge the Federal Ministry of Health and Social Welfare and the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control and Prevention, to immediately assess the expected timely released fund to strengthen the country's preparedness and response capacity for the Virus Disease, in line with current epidemiological evidence and public health guidance;
- (iv) mandate the Committee on Infectious Diseases to engage the appropriate ministries, departments, agencies, and public health institutions to obtain updates on Nigeria's Ebola situation, preparedness and response measures and report within two (2) weeks (Hon. Amobi Godwin Ogah — Isuikwuato/Umunneochi Federal Constituency).

Debate.

Amendment Proposed:

In Prayer (iv), immediately after the word "Diseases", insert the words "Healthcare Services, Aviation and Interior" (Hon. Unyime Idem — Ukanafun/Oruk Anam Federal Constituency).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Question on the Motion as amended — Agreed to.

The House:

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 - (iii) further urge the Federal Ministry of Health and Social Welfare and the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control and Prevention, to immediately assess the expected timely released fund to strengthen the country's preparedness and response capacity for the Virus Disease, in line with current epidemiological evidence and public health guidance;
 - (iv) mandate the Committees on Infectious Diseases, Healthcare Services, Aviation and Interior to engage the appropriate ministries, departments, agencies, and public health institutions to obtain updates on Nigeria's Ebola situation, preparedness and response measures and report within two (2) weeks (HR. 121/10/2026).
- (ii) *Need for Intervention Following Petrol Tanker Explosion at Oluku, Ovia North East Local Government Area, Edo State:*
Hon. Omosede Gabriella Igbinedion (*Ovia North East/Ovia South West Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:
- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
 - (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Need for Intervention Following Petrol Tanker Explosion at Oluku, Ovia North East Local Government Area, Edo State:

The House:

Notes with sadness the petrol tanker explosion and fire outbreak on Thursday, 15 October, 2026, at Oluku along the Benin-Lagos Expressway, which caused loss of lives, serious injuries, extensive property damage and the displacement of traders;

Also notes that the tanker overturned, spilling highly inflammable petroleum products before the fire spread to nearby businesses and Oluku Market;

Aware that the fire destroyed shops, stalls, vehicles, goods and other property, depriving traders and families of their livelihoods;

Concerned that many victims lost lifetime savings and face severe economic hardship and indebtedness;

Disturbed by reports of fatalities and serious burn injuries requiring emergency treatment at the University of Benin Teaching Hospital and other facilities;

Worried that the incident highlights concern about the condition of the Benin-Lagos Expressway and the safety of transporting petroleum products through populated communities;

Recognizes the efforts of emergency responders, medical personnel and security agencies in

rescuing victims and managing the scene;

Commends the Governor of Edo State, His Excellency Senator Monday Okpebholo, for visiting the scene and victims and committing to rebuild the affected market and support traders;

Believes that the scale of the disaster requires urgent Federal Government intervention to complement state efforts, provide relief, restore livelihoods and prevent recurrence;

Resolves to:

- (i) observe a minute of silence for those who lost their lives and extend condolences to their families, the injured, affected traders and the Oluku community;
- (ii) urge the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to assess the disaster and provide relief materials, financial support and rehabilitation assistance to affected persons;
- (iii) also urge the Executive Arm to collaborate with the Edo State Government to rebuild the affected markets and support economic recovery;
- (iv) further urge the Federal Ministry of Works and Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA) to urgently inspect and rehabilitate dangerous sections of the Benin-Lagos Expressway around Oluku;
- (v) still urge the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Nigerian Midstream and Distribution Petroleum Regulatory Authority (NMDPRA) and other relevant agencies to investigate the accident, spillage, evacuation and fire outbreak and recommend measures to prevent recurrence;
- (vi) again urge the Federal Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, in collaboration with the Edo State Government, to provide adequate treatment and rehabilitation for injured victims;
- (vii) urge the Federal Fire Service and emergency authorities to strengthen fire prevention, preparedness and response along petroleum transportation corridors.
- (viii) mandate the Committees on Emergency and Disaster Preparedness, Federal Roads Maintenance Agency, Federal Road Safety Commission, Petroleum Resources (Downstream), and Petroleum Resources (Midstream) to monitor and ensure compliance and report within four (4) weeks (*Hon. Omosede Gabriella Igbinedion — Ovia North East/South West Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Amendments Proposed:

- (i) *Insert a new Prayer (ix) as follows:*
"Urge the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) to liaise with other relevant agencies for inspection and to enforce the installation of Anti-Spill Locks and Latches on Tankers, Container Trucks as well as inculcate regular maintenance culture" (*Hon. Osawaru Billy Famous — Orlisonmwon/Uhunnwode Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

- (ii) *Insert a new Prayer (x) as follows:*

"Urge the National Orientation Agency to localise its series of public enlightenment in local dialects to sensitize citizens on the dangers of scooping spilled fuel from gasoline tankers involved in accident and maintain safe distance from such incidents" (*Hon. Osawaru Billy Famous — Orhionmwon/Uhunnwode Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Question on the Motion as amended — Agreed to.

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Also notes that the tanker overturned, spilling highly inflammable petroleum products before the fire spread to nearby businesses and Oluku Market;

Aware that the fire destroyed shops, stalls, vehicles, goods and other property, depriving traders and families of their livelihoods;

Concerned that many victims lost lifetime savings and face severe economic hardship and indebtedness;

Disturbed by reports of fatalities and serious burn injuries requiring emergency treatment at the University of Benin Teaching Hospital and other facilities;

Worried that the incident highlights concern about the condition of the Benin-Lagos Expressway and the safety of transporting petroleum products through populated communities;

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Commends the Governor of Edo State, His Excellency Senator Monday Okpebholo, for visiting the scene and victims and committing to rebuild the affected market and support traders;

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- (v) still urge the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Nigerian Midstream and Distribution Petroleum Regulatory Authority (NMDPRA) and other relevant agencies to investigate the accident, spillage, evacuation and fire outbreak and recommend measures to prevent recurrence;
- (vi) again urge the Federal Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, in collaboration with the Edo State Government, to provide adequate treatment and rehabilitation for injured victims;
- (vii) urge the Federal Fire Service and emergency authorities to strengthen fire prevention, preparedness and response along petroleum transportation corridors.
- (viii) urge the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) to liaise with other relevant agencies for inspection and to enforce the installation of Anti-Spill Locks and Latches on Tankers, Container Trucks as well as inculcate regular maintenance culture;
- (ix) also urge the National Orientation Agency to localise its series of public enlightenment in local dialects to sensitize citizens on the dangers of scooping spilled fuel from gasoline tankers involved in accident and maintain safe distance from such incidents;
- (x) mandate the Committees on Emergency and Disaster Preparedness, Federal Roads Maintenance Agency, Federal Road Safety Commission, Petroleum Resources (Downstream), and Petroleum Resources (Midstream) to monitor and ensure compliance and report within four (4) weeks (HR. 122/10/2026).

A minute of silence was observed in honour of the deceased.

- (iii) *Industrial Dispute between the National Union of Electricity Employees (NUEE) and Benin Electricity Distribution Company (BEDC) over Prolonged Disruption of Electricity Supply in Edo, Delta, and Ondo States:*

Hon. Clement Jimbo (*Abak/Etim/Ekpo/Ika Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Industrial Dispute between the National Union of Electricity Employees (NUEE) and Benin Electricity Distribution Company (BEDC) over Prolonged Disruption of Electricity Supply in Edo, Delta, and Ondo States:

The House:

Notes with grave concern that the dispute involving the National Union of Electricity Employees (NUEE) and Benin Electricity Distribution Company (BEDC) has resulted in the disruption of electricity supply and shutdown of some critical services across Edo, Delta, Ondo and Ekiti States;

Concerned that the disruption of electricity supply over 24 hours, if sustained, poses a

serious threat to public safety, socio-economic activities and the delivery of essential services across the affected States;

Aware that prolonged power outages may compromise the Medical and Healthcare facilities in Hospitals, Laboratories, maternity centres and Emergency Units operation of life- support equipment, and other temperature- sensitive medical supply as well as surgical services to patients;

Also aware that other essential economic services within the affected States, by this disruption, includes but not limited to water supply, Telecommunication, Banking, Educational institutions, small businesses and public infrastructure will be adversely affected by this unresolved dispute given that, even the alternative sources of Solar provision of electricity is not working at full capacity because of the raining season and less sunlight to charge the Batteries;

Resolves to:

- (i) call on the Executive Arm through the relevant electricity-sector authorities to urgently intervene in the dispute between NUEE and BEDC with a view to securing an amicable and lasting resolution;
- (ii) urge the National Union of Electricity Employees (NUEE) and Benin Electricity Distribution Company (BEDC) management to open up a window of further dialogue and negotiations as well as take all necessary steps to restore electricity distribution across Edo, Delta, Ondo and Ekiti States;
- (iii) also call on the relevant authorities to protect lives and properties by ensuring that hospitals, emergency medical facilities and other critical public services receive the necessary support and alternative power arrangement pending the restoration of electricity supply
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Power, Labour and Employment to investigate the circumstances surrounding the dispute, identify the immediate causes of the shutdown and recommend measures to prevent a recurrence (*Hon. Clement Jimbo — Abak/Elum Ekpo/Ika Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Noted with grave concern that the dispute involving the National Union of Electricity Employees (NUEE) and Benin Electricity Distribution Company (BEDC) has resulted in the disruption of electricity supply and shutdown of some critical services across Edo, Delta, Ondo and Ekiti States;

Concerned that the disruption of electricity supply over 24 hours, if sustained, poses a serious threat to public safety, socio-economic activities and the delivery of essential services across the affected States;

Aware that prolonged power outages may compromise the Medical and Healthcare facilities in Hospitals, Laboratories, maternity centres and Emergency Units operation of life- support equipment, and other temperature- sensitive medical supply as well as surgical services to

patients;

Also aware that other essential economic services within the affected States, by this disruption, includes but not limited to water supply, Telecommunication, Banking, Educational institutions, small businesses and public infrastructure will be adversely affected by this unresolved dispute given that, even the alternative sources of Solar provision of electricity is not working at full capacity because of the raining season and less sunlight to charge the Batteries;

Resolved to:

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- (ii) urge the National Union of Electricity Employees (NUEE) and Benin Electricity Distribution Company (BEDC) management to open up a window of further dialogue and negotiations as well as take all necessary steps to restore electricity distribution across Edo, Delta, Ondo and Ekiti States;
- (iii) also call on the relevant authorities to protect lives and properties by ensuring that hospitals, emergency medical facilities and other critical public services receive the necessary support and alternative power arrangement pending the restoration of electricity supply
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Power, Labour and Employment to investigate the circumstances surrounding the dispute, identify the immediate causes of the shutdown and recommend measures to prevent a recurrence (HR. 123/10/2026).

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it take more than 3 matters of urgent public importance" (*Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader*).

Agreed to.

- (iv) *Need for Intervention on the Menace of Flooding and Rehabilitation of Flood-Damaged Roads in Aboh Mbaise and Ngor Okpala Local Government Areas, Imo State.*

Hon. Mathew NWogu (*Abo-Mbaise/Ngor Okpala Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Need for Intervention on the Menace of Flooding and Rehabilitation of Flood-Damaged Roads in Aboh Mbaise and Ngor Okpala Local Government Areas, Imo State:

The House:

Notes that Aboh Mbaise/Ngor Okpala Federal Constituency of Imo State has continued to suffer severe and recurring flooding, especially during the rainy season, resulting in the

destruction of roads, farmlands, homes, businesses, and public infrastructure;

Disturbed that the affected communities include Ezianya, Ntu, Umukabia Ogodo, Umuneke Ngor, Umuoye Imerinwe, Umuekwune Ozuzu, Nnorie/Ohekelem Umuhu, Umuchoko Umuohiagu, Umuanyemele Umuohlagu, Eziala Enyigugu, Nkwogwu, Lorji and Amuzu where flooding has made several roads impassable and disrupted socio-economic activities;

Worried that the following critical roads have been badly affected by flooding and erosion Umuhu Ibeku road, Eziala Enyigugu road, Afor Ajala, Nkwogwu to Umulolo Ogwu road, Lorji Amuzi road, Umuota Umuhu road, Umuota to Ntu road, Umuogi Umuekwue/Ekwuoke road, Ezianya Nkwoala to Ntu road, Amuga to Ihitte road, Umuahia Ohekelem/Nnorie road, Imo airport to Umuorisha, Nnorie, Umuhu road and Umukabia Ogodo to Umuneke Ngor road leading to the LGA Headquarters;

Also worried that the poor condition of these roads has cut off communities, restricted movement of persons and goods, increased transport costs, hindered access to schools, hospitals, markets, and farms, and exposed residents avoidable hardship and danger;

Aware that the Federal Government, through the Federal Ministry of Works, the Federal Ministry of Environment, the Ecological Fund Office, the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), and other relevant agencies, has the responsibility to intervene in matters of national emergency, erosion control, flood mitigation, and rehabilitation of federal and strategic roads;

Cognizant that urgent action is required to prevent further loss of lives, property, farmlands, and public infrastructure in Aboh Mbaise/Ngor Okpala Federal Constituency;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministry of Works to urgently undertake the assessment, rehabilitation, reconstruction, and drainage works on all the affected roads listed above in Aboh Mbaise/Ngor Okpala Federal Constituency, Imo State;
- (ii) also urge the Federal Ministry of Environment, the Ecological Fund Office, and relevant agencies to immediately deploy flood-control and erosion-control measures, including the construction of drainage channels, culverts, flood barriers, and proper water-discharge systems in the affected communities.
- (iii) call the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) and relevant humanitarian agencies to provide relief materials, medical support, temporary shelter, and other necessary assistance to residents affected by the flooding;
- (iv) mandate the Committees on Works, Environment, Ecological Fund, Emergency and Disaster Preparedness, and Appropriations to ensure compliance and report within four (4) weeks (*Hon. Matthew Nwogu — Aboh Mbaise/Ngor Okpala Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

(HR. 124/10/2026).

Motion referred to the Committees on Works, Environment, Ecological Fund, Emergency and Disaster Preparedness and Appropriations, pursuant to Order Eight, Rule 9 (5).

- (v) *Intervention on the Deplorable Condition of the Abeokuta-Rounda-Olorunda-Imeko Road, Ogun State.*

Hon. Gboyega Nasir Isiaka (*Egbado North/Imeko-Afon Federal Constituency*) introduced the matter and prayed the House to:

- (a) consider and approve the matter as one of urgent public importance; and
- (b) suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to allow debate on the matter forthwith.

Question that the matter be considered as one of urgent public importance — Agreed to.

Question that the House do suspend Order Eight, Rule 4 (3) to enable it debate the matter forthwith — Agreed to.

Intervention on the Deplorable Condition of the Abeokuta-Rounda-Olorunda-Imeko Road, Ogun State:

The House:

Notes that the Abeokuta-Rounda-Olorunda-Imeko Road serves as a critical transportation corridor for communities in Ogun State, facilitating the movement of persons, agricultural produce, goods and services;

Observes with concern the deplorable condition of sections of the road, which has made transportation increasingly difficult and exposed motorists, commercial drivers, passengers and other road users to significant risks;

Also observes that the deplorable condition of the road has critically affected the movement of passengers and goods, along the corridor; and that, in the last two weeks, commuters have endured extreme hardship;

Worried that individuals forced to spend entire nights stranded on the road due to its impassable condition, thereby exposing them to grave security threats, avoidable dangers and possible criminal attacks;

Concerned that the continued neglect of this critical road could trigger public frustration, heighten tensions and ultimately threaten law and order if urgent remedial measures are not taken;

Aware that the continued deterioration of the road, if left unaddressed, could further undermine road safety, commercial activities and the socio-economic well-being of communities along the corridor;

Also concerned that the absence of timely remedial intervention could result in further deterioration of the road infrastructure and increase the eventual cost of rehabilitation;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministry of Works and the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency (FERMA), as applicable to their respective mandates, to urgently inspect and assess the condition of the Abeokuta-Rounda-Olorunda-Imeko road and identify the sections requiring immediate intervention;
- (ii) call on the Executive Arm to undertake emergency palliative works on the severely deteriorated sections of the road to restore basic motorability and reduce the risks faced by road users;

- (iii) also call for appropriate budgetary provision and timely release of funds, in accordance with applicable budgetary and procurement processes, to facilitate the necessary remedial works (*Hon. Adegboyega Isiaka — Yewa North/Imeko-Afon Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Amendment Proposed:

Insert a new Prayer (iv) as follows:

*“Urge the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency to immediately commence palliative work pending when the Federal Ministry of Works moves to site” (*Hon. Osoba Olumide Babatunde — Abeokuta North/Obafemi Owode/Odeda Federal Constituency*).*

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Question on the Motion as amended — Agreed to.

The House:

Noted that the Abeokuta-Rounda-Olorunda-Imeko Road serves as a critical transportation corridor for communities in Ogun State, facilitating the movement of persons, agricultural produce, goods and services;

Observed with concern the deplorable condition of sections of the road, which has made transportation increasingly difficult and exposed motorists, commercial drivers, passengers and other road users to significant risks;

Also observed that the deplorable condition of the road has critically affected the movement of passengers and goods, along the corridor; and that, in the last two weeks, commuters have endured extreme hardship;

Worried that individuals forced to spend entire nights stranded on the road due to its impassable condition, thereby exposing them to grave security threats, avoidable dangers and possible criminal attacks;

Concerned that the continued neglect of this critical road could trigger public frustration, heighten tensions and ultimately threaten law and order if urgent remedial measures are not taken;

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- (iii) also call for appropriate budgetary provision and timely release of funds, in accordance with applicable budgetary and procurement processes, to facilitate the necessary remedial works;
- (iv) urge the Federal Roads Maintenance Agency to immediately commence palliative work pending when the Federal Ministry of Works moves to site (HR. 125/10/2026).

7. Presentation of Reports

(i) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Prospect Chambers & Co on behalf of the Family of His Royal Highness, Late Okuku David Orok, Represented by his eldest son, Prince Usen David Orok;

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Prospect Chambers & Co on behalf of the family of His Royal Highness, Late Okuku David Orok, represented by his eldest son, Prince Usen David Orok against the Inspector General of Police for illegal occupation, vandalization and destruction of the royal palace, students' hostel and other properties belonging to the family" (Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(ii) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by the Academic Staff Union of Research Institutions (ASURI);

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by the Academic Staff Union of Research Institutions (ASURI) against the Management of the National Board for Arabic and Islamic Studies (NBAIS) for alleged suppression of trade union rights, intimidation of staff, abuse of office and refusal to comply with a Lawful Industrial Arbitration Panel (IAP) award" (Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(iii) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by the Executive Board of Abade-Toru Mangal Community Development Initiative (ATMCDI);

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on petition by the Executive Board of Abade-Toru Mangal Community Development Initiative (ATMCDI) against the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA)" (Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(iv) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Kingdom Human Rights Foundation International on behalf of Umobor Akaeze Village;

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Kingdom Human Rights Foundation

International on behalf of Umobor Akaeze Village Against the Nigeria Police Force on the need to avert further breakdown of law and order and the killing of innocent citizens in Ivo Local Government Area of Ebonyi State" (*Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(v) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Mr Ibe Ignatius Chukwudi:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Mr Ibe Ignatius Chukwudi against the Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA) arising from the denial of his successful 2008 walk-in bid in respect of block D2, Yaba, Federal Capital Territory" (*Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(vi) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Ashford Industries Nig. Ltd:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Ashford Industries Nig. Ltd, against the Bank of Industry over the alleged seizure of the petitioner's 327 industrial machines since 2009 and the alleged fraudulent sale of parts of the equipment" (*Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(vii) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by the Omo-Dii Family of Etieama Land in Nembe Kingdom:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by the Omo-Dii Family of Etieama Land in Nembe Kingdom against Nigerian Agip Oil Company Limited (NAOC) for alleged neglect, abuse and oppression in Bayelsa State" (*Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(viii) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Dr. Goddy Osa Igbaekemen:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Dr. Goddy Osa Igbaekemen against Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State on alleged injustice meted out to him by the management of the Academy" (*Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(ix) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Definite Edge Consultants on behalf of Alhaji Mustapha Suleiman and Thirteen (13) others:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Definite Edge Consultants on behalf of Alhaji Mustapha Suleiman and thirteen (13) others against Mr Isaac Owolabi Fayose, a passionate and urgent appeal to save our souls from alleged cruelty and barbaric action" (*Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

(x) *Committee on Public Petitions:*

Report on the Petition by Award Winning Consult Limited on behalf of the Osho Obede Adiakpo Family of Agbagu Ogume Community Ndokwa West Local Government Area of Delta State:

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do receive the Report of the Committee on Public Petitions on the petition by Award Winning Consult Limited on behalf of the Osho Obede Adiakpo Family of Agbagu Ogume Community, Ndokwa West Local Government Area of Delta State Against Seplat Energy Plc for payment of accrued land rent/compensation in the sum of N550,000,000.00 (five hundred and fifty million naira only) for the period 2010-2026 and compliance with the provisions of the Petroleum Act and Petroleum Industry Act, 2021" (*Hon. Laori Kwamoti — Demsa/Lamorde/Numan Federal Constituency*).

Agreed to.

Report laid.

8. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the National Institute for Film and Media Technology, Ukawu, Ebonyi State and for Related Matters (HB. 1755) — *Third Reading*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Establishment of the National Institute for Film and Media Technology, Ukawu, Ebonyi State and for Related Matters (HB. 1755) be now read the Third Time" (*Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader*).

Agreed to.

Bill read the Third Time and passed.

9. A Bill for an Act to Provide for the Development, Promotion and Industrialisation of the Nigerian Drone Industry and for Related Matters (HB. 2823) — *Second Reading*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Provide for the Development, Promotion and Industrialisation of the Nigerian Drone Industry and for Related Matters (HB. 2823) be read a Second Time" (*Hon. Satomi Alhaji Ahmad — Jere Federal Constituency*), and 13 others.

Debate.

Question that the Bill be now read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committees on Defence, and National Security and Intelligence.

10. A Bill for an Act to Establish a National Deceased Organ and Tissue Donation Programme for the Federal Republic of Nigeria, to Provide for the Identification, Referral, Authorisation, Recovery,

Preservation, Allocation and Transplantation of Organs and Tissues from Deceased Persons; to Establish the National Organ Donation and Transplantation Authority, Provide for the determination of Death for the Purposes of Deceased Donation; to Promote Equitable Access to Transplantation; to Prohibit Organ Trafficking, Transplant Tourism and Commercial dealings in Human Organs and Tissues and for Related Matters (HB. 2824) — *Second Reading*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Establish a National Deceased Organ and Tissue Donation Programme for the Federal Republic of Nigeria, to Provide for the Identification, Referral, Authorisation, Recovery, Preservation, Allocation and Transplantation of Organs and Tissues from Deceased Persons; to Establish the National Organ Donation and Transplantation Authority, Provide for the determination of Death for the Purposes of Deceased Donation; to Promote Equitable Access to Transplantation; to Prohibit Organ Trafficking, Transplant Tourism and Commercial dealings in Human Organs and Tissues and for Related Matters (HB. 2824) be read a Second Time" (Hon. Patrick Umoh — Ikot Ekpene/Essien Udim/Obot Akara Federal Constituency), and 6 others.

Debate.

Question that the Bill be now read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee on Healthcare Services.

11. A Bill for an Act to Establish the National Research and Innovation Development Fund and the National Council on Research and Innovation to Promote, Coordinate, Fund, Support Research and Innovation, Development and Commercialisation in Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB. 2821) — *Second Reading*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Establish the National Research and Innovation Development Fund and the National Council on Research and Innovation to Promote, Coordinate, Fund, Support Research and Innovation, Development and Commercialisation in Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB. 2821) be read a Second Time" (Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be now read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee on Science and Technology.

12. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Compliance Institute of Nigeria, to Admit, Train and determine the Standards of Knowledge and Skills to be attained by Members or Persons seeking to become Compliance Professionals and for Related Matters (HB. 2788) — *Second Reading*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That a Bill for an Act to Establish the Chartered Compliance Institute of Nigeria, to Admit, Train and determine the Standards of Knowledge and Skills to be attained by Members or Persons seeking to become Compliance Professionals and for Related Matters (HB. 2788) be read a Second Time" (Hon. Daniel Asama Ago — Jos North/Bassa Federal Constituency).

Debate.

Question that the Bill be now read a Second Time — Agreed to.

Bill read the Second Time.

Bill referred to the Committee on Commerce.

13. A Bill for an Act to Establish the Federal College of Nursing and Midwifery, Ibadan North, Oyo State and for Related Matters (HB. 2639) — *Second Reading*

Order read; deferred by leave of the House.

14. Need to Investigate the Non-Compliance by Shipping Line Operators in Nigeria with Respect to Local Content Laws, Cabotage Law, Tax Laws and their Operational Structure
Motion made and Question proposed.

The House:

Recalls that Nigerian and international shipping companies operating in Nigeria are required to comply with several local laws, including the Coastal and Inland Shipping (Cabotage) Act, 2003 and the Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry Content Development Act, 2010;

Also recalls that an increasing number of international shipping companies operating in Nigeria engage in end-to-end logistics operations including owning or controlling vessels, terminal interests, trucking fleets, and barge services under the pretext of an integrated "door-to-door" supply chain, and import foreign personnel into roles that should ordinarily be occupied by qualified Nigerian professionals;

Notes that these companies leverage insider arrangements and opaque commercial practices to consolidate market control, and engage in pricing and operational strategies that potentially amount to monopolistic and extortionate conduct;

Worried that the practices of international shipping companies operating in Nigeria are creating problems that may pose a significant threat to indigenous participation, capacity development, employment generation within the maritime and logistics value chain, the integrity of Nigeria's cabotage and local content framework, fair competition, and the economic sustainability of local operators;

Concerned that if these malpractice are not addressed, the Nigerian economy will be significantly impacted; hence, there is a need to probe the organizational structure, staffing composition, and operational scope of identified shipping companies operating in Nigeria;

Also concerned about the need for an assessment of anti-competitive practices, possible abuse of dominance, and insider trading, as well as the verification of compliance with extant local content and cabotage provisions, particularly in crewing, manning, and inland logistics participation;

Resolves to:

Set up an *Ad-hoc* Committee to investigate the non-compliance by international shipping lines operating in Nigeria with respect to Local Content Laws, the Cabotage Act, Tax Laws, and their operational structure, and report within four (4) weeks (*Hon. Aniekwe Peter — Anambra East/Anambra West Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Agreed to.

The House:

Recalled that Nigerian and international shipping companies operating in Nigeria are required to comply with several local laws, including the Coastal and Inland Shipping (Cabotage) Act, 2003 and

the Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry Content Development Act, 2010;

Also recalled that an increasing number of international shipping companies operating in Nigeria engage in end-to-end logistics operations including owning or controlling vessels, terminal interests, trucking fleets, and barge services under the pretext of an integrated "door-to-door" supply chain, and import foreign personnel into roles that should ordinarily be occupied by qualified Nigerian professionals;

Noted that these companies leverage insider arrangements and opaque commercial practices to consolidate market control, and engage in pricing and operational strategies that potentially amount to monopolistic and extortionate conduct;

Worried that the practices of international shipping companies operating in Nigeria are creating problems that may pose a significant threat to indigenous participation, capacity development, employment generation within the maritime and logistics value chain, the integrity of Nigeria's cabotage and local content framework, fair competition, and the economic sustainability of local operators;

Concerned that if these malpractice are not addressed, the Nigerian economy will be significantly impacted; hence, there is a need to probe the organizational structure, staffing composition, and operational scope of identified shipping companies operating in Nigeria;

Also concerned about the need for an assessment of anti-competitive practices, possible abuse of dominance, and insider trading, as well as the verification of compliance with extant local content and cabotage provisions, particularly in crewing, manning, and inland logistics participation;

Resolved to:

Set up an *Ad-hoc* Committee to investigate the non-compliance by international shipping lines operating in Nigeria with respect to Local Content Laws, the Cabotage Act, Tax Laws, and their operational structure, and report within four (4) weeks (HR. 126/10/2026).

15. Need for Special Intervention, Comprehensive Research and Effective Management of Kidney Disease in Maiduguri, Borno State

Order read; deferred by leave of the House.

16. Need to Review the Proposed Realignment of the Lagos-Calabar Coastal Highway and Its Implications for Coastal Communities

Motion made and Question proposed.

The House:

Notes that the Lagos-Calabar Coastal Highway is a strategic Federal Government infrastructure project intended to strengthen connectivity along Nigeria's coastline, facilitate interstate commerce, promote economic integration, and unlock the development potential of coastal communities;

Aware that the Federal Government has identified difficult geotechnical and environmental conditions, including swampy terrain, weak subgrades, and challenging subsoil conditions, as reasons informing a proposed realignment of portions of the Highway;

Concerned that the proposed realignments may compromise the project's original connectivity and economic-development objectives if their comparative engineering requirements, environmental consequences, socioeconomic implications, and total lifecycle costs are not independently assessed;

Also concerned that the proposed realignment bypasses the riverine communities of Delta State,

particularly the Ogheye-Orere-Ugborodo-Escravos corridor, which hosts the Chevron tank farm and Escravos Gas-to-Liquids (EGTL) Plant, and other coastal communities which host strategic oil and gas infrastructure and other vital domestic flow stations that contribute significantly to Nigeria's crude oil exports, foreign exchange earnings, energy supply, and national economic development;

Cognizant that retaining the original coastal alignment of the Lagos-Calabar Coastal Highway would strengthen access to these critical economic hubs, improve the movement of personnel, equipment, and commercial goods, support the development of connecting roads and related infrastructure, and broaden the highway's potential economic benefits, thereby reinforcing the case for preserving its coastal character;

Also cognizant that any assessment of alternative alignments should consider the full costs of construction, including additional road distance, bridges, ground improvement, environmental mitigation, compensation, flood resilience, and long-term maintenance, while recognizing that specialized engineering solutions, including soil stabilization, geosynthetics, piled foundations, reinforced embankments, and elevated viaducts, may offer potential options for addressing difficult terrain, subject to site-specific technical and environmental assessments;

Desirous of ensuring that the Lagos-Calabar Coastal Highway retains its intended coastal connectivity and developmental purpose, while ensuring that engineering feasibility, environmental sustainability, financial prudence, value for money, and the interests of affected coastal communities are adequately addressed through a transparent, evidence-based, and independently reviewed process;

Resolves to:

- (i) urge the Federal Ministry of Works, to review the proposed realignment and retain the originally conceptualized Lagos-Calabar Coastal Highway alignment through the Ondo, Escravos-Ogheye-Ugborodo corridor;
- (ii) mandate the Committee on Works to ensure implementation and report within four (4) weeks (*Hon. Thomas Ereyitomi — Warri North/Warri South/Warri South West Federal Constituency*).

Debate.

Amendments Proposed:

- (i) *Insert a new Prayer (iii) as follows:*
"Urge the Federal Ministry of Works to review the proposed realignment and ensure that where the main dual carriage way detours inland due to deep water pits or unstable terrain, reinforced coastal feeder roads can be constructed to connect isolated maritime and fishing communities back to the highway trunk" (*Hon. Kuye Ademorin — Shomolu Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

- (ii) *Insert a new Prayer (iv) as follows:*
"establish structured consultative forums, and stakeholders engagement with coastal communities, local industries and business operators, to enable the designing of alternative access routes and minimizing displacement" (*Hon. Kuye Ademorin — Shomolu Federal Constituency*).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

- (iii) *Insert a new Prayer (v) as follows:*
"Urge the Federal Ministry of Works, to submit to the Committee on Works the original Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), and the original design of the road" (*Hon. Esset*

Mark Udo — Uyo/Uruan/Nsit Atai/Asutan/Ibesikpo Federal Constituency).

Question that the amendment be made — Agreed to.

Question on the Motion as amended — Agreed to.

The House:

Noted that the Lagos-Calabar Coastal Highway is a strategic Federal Government infrastructure project intended to strengthen connectivity along Nigeria's coastline, facilitate interstate commerce, promote economic integration, and unlock the development potential of coastal communities;

Aware that the Federal Government has identified difficult geotechnical and environmental conditions, including swampy terrain, weak subgrades, and challenging subsoil conditions, as reasons informing a proposed realignment of portions of the Highway;

Concerned that the proposed realignments may compromise the project's original connectivity and economic-development objectives if their comparative engineering requirements, environmental consequences, socioeconomic implications, and total lifecycle costs are not independently assessed;

Also concerned that the proposed realignment bypasses the riverine communities of Delta State, particularly the Ogheye-Orere-Ugborodo-Escravos corridor, which hosts the Chevron tank farm and Escravos Gas-to-Liquids (EGTL) Plant, and other coastal communities which host strategic oil and gas infrastructure and other vital domestic flow stations that contribute significantly to Nigeria's crude oil exports, foreign exchange earnings, energy supply, and national economic development;

Cognizant that retaining the original coastal alignment of the Lagos-Calabar Coastal Highway would strengthen access to these critical economic hubs, improve the movement of personnel, equipment, and commercial goods, support the development of connecting roads and related infrastructure, and broaden the highway's potential economic benefits, thereby reinforcing the case for preserving its coastal character;

Also cognizant that any assessment of alternative alignments should consider the full costs of construction, including additional road distance, bridges, ground improvement, environmental mitigation, compensation, flood resilience, and long-term maintenance, while recognizing that specialized engineering solutions, including soil stabilization, geosynthetics, piled foundations, reinforced embankments, and elevated viaducts, may offer potential options for addressing difficult terrain, subject to site-specific technical and environmental assessments;

Desirous of ensuring that the Lagos-Calabar Coastal Highway retains its intended coastal connectivity and developmental purpose, while ensuring that engineering feasibility, environmental sustainability, financial prudence, value for money, and the interests of affected coastal communities are adequately addressed through a transparent, evidence-based, and independently reviewed process;

Resolved to:

- (i)* urge the Federal Ministry of Works, to review the proposed realignment and retain the originally conceptualized Lagos-Calabar Coastal Highway alignment through the Ondo, Escravos-Ogheye-Ugborodo corridor;
- (ii)* urge the Federal Ministry of Works to review the proposed realignment and ensure that where the main dual carriage way detours inland due to deep water pits or unstable terrain, reinforced coastal feeder roads can be constructed to connect isolated maritime and fishing communities back to the highway trunk;
- (iii)* establish structured consultative forums, and stakeholders engagement with coastal

communities, local industries and business operators, to enable the designing of alternative access routes and minimizing displacement;

- (iv) urge the Federal Ministry of Works, to submit to the Committee on Works the original Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), and the original design of the road;
- (v) mandate the Committee on Works to ensure implementation and report within four (4) weeks (HR. 127/10/2026).

17. Consideration of Reports

- (i) *A Bill for an Act to Amend the National Assembly Service Pension Board Act, No. 62, 2023, to Among Other Things, Reconstitutes the Membership of the Board, Provide the Template for Payment of Gratuity and Establish a Fund for the Scheme and for Related Matter s (HB. 2240) (Committee of the Whole):*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report on a Bill for an Act to Amend the National Assembly Service Pension Board Act, No. 62, 2023, to Among Other Things, Reconstitutes the Membership of the Board, Provide the Template for Payment of Gratuity and Establish a Fund for the Scheme and for Related Matter s (HB. 2240)" (Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SERVICE PENSION BOARD ACT, NO. 62, 2023, TO AMONG OTHER THINGS, RECONSTITUTES THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD, PROVIDE THE TEMPLATE FOR PAYMENT OF GRATUITY AND ESTABLISH A FUND FOR THE SCHEME AND FOR RELATED MATTER S (HB. 2240)

Debate.

Chairman to report Bill:

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report on a Bill for an Act to Amend the National Assembly Service Pension Board Act, No. 62, 2023, to Among Other Things, Reconstitutes the Membership of the Board, Provide the Template for Payment of Gratuity and Establish a Fund for the Scheme and for Related Matter s (HB. 2240) and approved Clauses 7 and 15, the Explanatory Memorandum, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

- (ii) *A Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Insurance Commission Act, Cap. N53, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Insurance Regulatory Commission Bill, 2026 to Establish the Insurance Regulatory Commission for the Effective Administration, Supervision, Regulation and Control of the Insurance Business in Nigeria and for Related Matters (SB. 394) (Committee of the Whole):*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Insurance Commission Act, Cap. N53, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Insurance Regulatory Commission Bill, 2026 to Establish the Insurance Regulatory Commission for the Effective Administration, Supervision, Regulation and Control of the Insurance Business in Nigeria and for Related Matters (SB. 394)" (Hon.

Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader.

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO REPEAL THE NATIONAL INSURANCE COMMISSION ACT, CAP. N53, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 AND ENACT THE INSURANCE REGULATORY COMMISSION BILL, 2026 TO ESTABLISH THE INSURANCE REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR THE EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION, SUPERVISION, REGULATION AND CONTROL OF THE INSURANCE BUSINESS IN NIGERIA AND FOR RELATED MATTERS (SB. 394)

Debate.

Chairman to report Bill:

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the National Insurance Commission Act, Cap. N53, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Insurance Regulatory Commission Bill, 2026 to Establish the Insurance Regulatory Commission for the Effective Administration, Supervision, Regulation and Control of the Insurance Business in Nigeria and for Related Matters (SB. 394) and approved Clauses 1 - 71, the Schedule, the Explanatory Memorandum, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(iii) *A Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Agricultural Quarantine Service for the Purposes of Preventing the Entry, Establishment and Spread of Exotic Pests and Diseases of Plants, Animals and Aquatic Resources and their Products into Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB. 2817) (Committee of the Whole):*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Agricultural Quarantine Service for the Purposes of Preventing the Entry, Establishment and Spread of Exotic Pests and Diseases of Plants, Animals and Aquatic Resources and their Products into Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB. 2817)" (Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NIGERIA AGRICULTURAL QUARANTINE SERVICE FOR THE PURPOSES OF PREVENTING THE ENTRY, ESTABLISHMENT AND SPREAD OF EXOTIC PESTS AND DISEASES OF PLANTS, ANIMALS AND AQUATIC RESOURCES AND THEIR PRODUCTS INTO NIGERIA AND FOR RELATED MATTERS (HB. 2817)

Consideration deferred.

Chairman to report progress:

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole deferred consideration of the Report on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Nigeria Agricultural Quarantine Service for the Purposes of Preventing the Entry, Establishment and Spread of Exotic Pests and Diseases of Plants, Animals and Aquatic Resources and their Products into Nigeria and for Related Matters (HB. 2817).

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

- (iv) *A Bill for an Act to Repeal the Births, Deaths, etc. (Compulsory Registration) Act, Cap. B9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Compulsory Civil Registration Bill, 2026 to Provide for an Electronic Civil Registration System and for Related Matters (SB. 913) (Committee of the Whole):*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Births, Deaths, etc. (Compulsory Registration) Act, Cap. B9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Compulsory Civil Registration Bill, 2026 to Provide for an Electronic Civil Registration System and for Related Matters (SB. 913)" (Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO REPEAL THE BIRTHS, DEATHS, ETC. (COMPULSORY REGISTRATION) ACT, CAP. B9, LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, 2004 AND ENACT THE COMPULSORY CIVIL REGISTRATION BILL, 2026 TO PROVIDE FOR AN ELECTRONIC CIVIL REGISTRATION SYSTEM AND FOR RELATED MATTERS (SB. 913)

Debate.

Chairman to report Bill:

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report on a Bill for an Act to Repeal the Births, Deaths, etc. (Compulsory Registration) Act, Cap. B9, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 and Enact the Compulsory Civil Registration Bill, 2026 to Provide for an Electronic Civil Registration System and for Related Matters (SB. 913) and approved Clauses 1 - 79, the Explanatory Memorandum, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

- (v) *Committee on Defence:*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on Defence on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Joint Doctrine and Warfare Centre to Enhance the Coordination and Effectiveness of Military Operations of the Armed Forces of Nigeria, by Integrating the Capabilities of its Respective Services; and for Related Matters (HB. 2741)" (Hon. Abubakar Makki Yalleman — Mallam Madori/Kaugama Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE JOINT DOCTRINE AND WARFARE CENTRE TO ENHANCE THE COORDINATION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF MILITARY OPERATIONS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF NIGERIA, BY INTEGRATING THE CAPABILITIES OF ITS RESPECTIVE SERVICES; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS (HB. 2741)

Debate.

Chairman to report Bill:

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on Defence on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Joint Doctrine and Warfare Centre to Enhance the Coordination and Effectiveness of Military Operations of the Armed Forces of Nigeria, by Integrating the Capabilities of its Respective Services; and for Related Matters (HB. 2741) and approved Clauses 1 - 36, the Schedule, the Explanatory Memorandum, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(vi) *Committee on National Security and Intelligence:*

Motion made and Question proposed, "That the House do consider the Report of the Committee on National Security and Intelligence on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Strategic Intelligence Management Institute and for Related Matters (HB. 2589)" (Hon. Satomi Alihaji Ahmed — Jere Federal Constituency).

Agreed to.

Question that the House do resolve into the Committee of the Whole to consider the Report — Agreed to.

(HOUSE IN COMMITTEE)

(Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STRATEGIC INTELLIGENCE MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE AND FOR RELATED MATTERS (HB. 2589)

Debate.

Chairman to report Bill:

(HOUSE IN PLENARY)

Mr Deputy Speaker in the Chair, reported that the House in Committee of the Whole considered the Report of the Committee on National Security and Intelligence on a Bill for an Act to Establish the Strategic Intelligence Management Institute and for Related Matters (HB. 2589) and approved Clauses 1 - 20, the Schedule, the Explanatory Memorandum, and the Long Title of the Bill.

Question that the House do adopt the Report of the Committee of the Whole — Agreed to.

(vii) *Committee on Health Institutions:*

Report of the Committee on Health Institutions on a Bill for an Act to Amend the Federal

Medical Centres Act, 2022 and Establish the Federal Medical Centre, Ohafia, Abia State and for Related Matters (HB. 257).

Order deferred by leave of the House.

23. Adjournment

That the House do adjourn till Thursday, 22 October, 2026 at 11.00 a.m. (Hon. Abdullahi Ibrahim Ali — Deputy House Leader).

The House adjourned accordingly at 2.20 p.m.

Benjamin Okezie Kalu
Deputy Speaker

