



Federal Ministry of Justice

DAILY NEWSPAPERS REVIEW TUESDAY 2 APRIL, 2019

9TH ASSEMBLY: APC REACTS AS SARAHI SAYS SENATORS SHOULD DECIDE THEIR LEADERS - PUNCH PG.2

The President of the Senate, Bukola Saraki, has advised political party leaders to allow elected federal lawmakers to choose their leaders on the day of inauguration in order to achieve stability of the 9th Assembly. Though he did not mention any political party, observers believed that he was directing the advice to the ruling All Progressives Congress leadership whose members will be in the majority in the 9th National Assembly.

MILITARY UNCOVERS ILLEGAL GUN FACTORY IN BENUE - PUNCH PG.10, NATION PG.5, THISDAY PG.12

The Nigerian military on Monday uncovered an illegal gun factory in Logo Local Government Area of the Benue State and arrested two manufacturers. The Commander, Operation Whirl Stroke, Maj. Gen. Adeyemi Yekini, said this while parading the two suspects before newsmen at the OPWS headquarters located at the Tactical Air Command in Makurdi on Monday.

IPOB MEMBERS ARRESTED FOR BURNING POLICE STATION - PUNCH PG.42

Members of the proscribed Indigenous People of Biafra who allegedly attacked and burnt a police station in Ajali, Orumba North Local Government Area of Anambra State, have been arrested. Five of them were paraded on Monday by the Commissioner of Police in the state, Mr Mustapha Dandaura at the command's headquarters in Amawbia.

ONNOGHEN'S DRIVER TESTIFIES AS DEFENCE WITNESS, CCB OFFICIAL APPEARS WEDNESDAY - PUNCH PG.42, DAILYTRUST PG.3, NATION PG.7

The suspended Chief Justice of Nigeria, Justice Walter Onnoghen, on Monday, at the Code of Conduct Tribunal, Abuja, opened his defence

in his ongoing trial on the charges bordering on assets declaration breaches, calling his driver since 1999 as his first witness. Onnoghen brought the 60 years old Lawal Busari to the tribunal as his first defence witness following last Friday's ruling of the tribunal dismissing his no-case submission.

WE'VE ARRESTED OFFICERS WHO KILLED KOLADE JOHNSON – POLICE - DAILYTRUST PG. 6, NATION PG.5

The spokesman of the Lagos State Police Command, Bala Elkana, yesterday said the policemen involved in the killing of Kolade Johnson, a resident of Onipetesi in the Mangoro area, had been arrested. Johnson was killed on Sunday by a stray bullet fired when officers of the anti-cultism unit of the state police command raided the area.

PROTEST IN KOGI OVER ALLEGED MOVE TO REMOVE CJ - DAILYTRUST PG.6, THISDAY PG.36

Judiciary workers in Kogi State yesterday protested against the alleged moves by the state government to remove the state's Chief Judge, Justice Nasiru Ajanah, from office. They alleged that Governor Yahaya Bello had instructed the speaker of the state assembly, Matthew Kolawole, to effect the removal of the chief judge upon resumption from recess today.

AG CJN CONDEMNNS IMPROPER DRESSING BY LAWYERS - DAILYTRUST PG.30

The acting Chief Justice of Nigeria (CJN), Ibrahim Tanko Muhammad, has condemned poor mode of dressing by some lawyers appearing at the Supreme Court. Justice Muhammad said this does not reflect the honour and dignity of the legal profession.

OSINBAJO: GOVT TO PARTNER INVESTORS ON IPP, AIRPORTS CONCESSIONING - NATION PG.6&7

Vice President Yemi Osinbajo yesterday spoke of plans by the Federal Government to encourage private firms to supply power to end users. Delivering the 50th Convocation Lecture of the University of Lagos (UNILAG) titled: "Nigeria rising: The path to prosperity" at the J.F Ade Ajayi Auditorium, Prof Osinbajo said more than 2000 megawatts of the

8100 megawatts being generated could not be distributed by the Distribution Companies (DisCos).

WHY WE DIDN'T CONFIRM MAGU, BY SARAKI - NATION PG.41, THISDAY PG.6, SUN PG.9

Senate President Bukola Saraki yesterday explained the controversial refusal of the Senate to confirm Mr. Ibrahim Magu as the substantive chairman of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC). Saraki said that Magu's appointment may have been confirmed but for the failure of the Presidency to explore the established channel of lobby.

ANAMBRA POLLS: COURT ORDERS INVESTIGATION, PROSECUTION OF SENATOR-ELECT, RETURNING OFFICER - NATION PG.8

A Federal High Court sitting in Anambra has ordered the investigation and prosecution of senator-elect, Ifeanyi Uba of the Young Progressives party (YPP) and the Independent National Electoral Commission's (INEC's) Returning Officer. The order followed the application of an order of Mandamus brought by Chris Uba of the People's Democratic Party (PDP), in suit No, FHC /AWK /CS/29/2019 before Hon Justice I B Gafai, yesterday in Awka, Anambra State.

ONNOGHEN'S WITNESS TENDERS 2010 ASSET DECLARATION RECEIPT - THISDAY PG.1, 6 &8, SUN PG.4

The Chief Justice of Nigeria (CJN), Justice Walter Onnoghen, yesterday called his first witness, Mr. Lawal Busari, who tendered receipt of his 2010 Asset Declaration Form at his ongoing trial at the Code of Conduct Tribunal (CCT). Onnoghen is standing trial on an alleged six-count charge of failure to disclose his assets as required by the law for public office holders.

POLICE ARREST FIVE NIGERIANS FOR ROBBING BUREAU DE CHANGE IN UAE - PUNCH PG.10

Five suspected Nigerians, who allegedly robbed a bureau de change in Sharjah, United Arab Emirate (UAE), have been arrested. The suspects

reportedly fled with cash of different currency worth Dh2.3 million (N226, 182, 000).

COURT ADJOURNS OKUPE'S TRIAL TO APRIL 16 - THISDAY PG.37

The trial of a former Senior Special Assistant to President Goodluck Jonathan on Public Affairs, Dr. Doyin Okupe, has been adjourned to April 16, 2019. The case continued yesterday at the Federal High Court, Abuja, with the defense led by J.K. Gadzama (SAN) cross-examining the third prosecution witness; Mr. Hassan of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC).

JUDICIARY'S ROLE IN ANTI-GRAFT WAR, BY SERAP - NATION PG.24

The Judiciary has a critical role to play in tackling corruption, but how can it do so when the institution is perceived to be corrupt? The Chief Justice of Nigeria and the National Judicial Council (NJC) must proactively promote transparency and accountability in the judiciary, according to a civil society group, the Socio-Economic Rights and Accountability Project (SERAP).

IGBO LAWYERS CHIDE EFCC, DEMAND RELEASE OF EX-NBA CHIEF - PUNCH PG.8

Igbo lawyers, under the aegis of Otu Oka Iwu, have condemned the former Vice-President of the Nigerian Bar Association, Mr Monday Ubani, by the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission. The President of Otu Oka Iwu, Chief Chuks Ikokwu, said in a statement on Monday Ubani, also a former Chairman of Ikeja NBA, had spent three weeks in EFCC's custody despite a court code ordering that he be immediately taken to court or released on administrative bail.

WE'LL WAIT FOR SUPREME COURT'S PRONOUNCEMENT ON ZAMFARA APC - INEC - PUNCH PG.21

The Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) has said that it would wait for the directive of the Supreme Court before it could make a final decision on the contentious primary elections of the All

Progressives Congress' (APC) in Zamfara State. A Zamfara State High Court had recognised the primary elections that produced governorship; state and National Assembly candidates held by the APC faction loyal to Governor Abdulaziz Yari and ordered INEC to accept the party candidates for the elections.