

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NIGERIAN NATIONAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION ACT, 2010 CAP 420 AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

*Sponsored by Hon. Victor Nwokolo*

[ ] Commencement

BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows:

1           1. The Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation Act (in this Act  
2 referred to as "the principal Act") is amended as set out in this Act.

The Nigerian  
National Petroleum  
Corporation Act  
2010 CAP 420

3           2. Section 7 of the principal Act is amended by substituting  
4 subsections (1) (2) (3) (a-b) (4) (a-b) and (5) and inserting a new subsection  
5 (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (a-b) (6) and (7) as follows:

Amendment of  
Section 7

6           (1) The Corporation shall not later than 30th September or such  
7 other date to be determined by the Ministry of Finance in each financial year,  
8 prepare and present through the Minister for appropriation, a statement of  
9 estimated income and expenditure for the following financial year.

10          (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this  
11 section, the Corporation may also, in any financial year, submit  
12 supplementary or adjusted statements of estimated income and expenditure  
13 for appropriation.

14          3. The financial year of the Corporation shall be a period of twelve  
15 calendar months commencing on the 1st of January in each year.

16          4. The Corporation shall keep proper accounts of its income and  
17 expenditure in respect of each financial year and shall cause its accounts to  
18 be audited within six months after the end of each year by auditors appointed  
19 by the Corporation from a list and in accordance with the guidelines  
20 supplied by the Auditor-General of the Federation.

21          5. (a) The Corporation shall submit to the Minister, a mid-year

1 report of its operations and finances not later than 31st August of each year and  
2 an annual report of its operations, performance and audited financial report of  
3 the preceding year not later than 31st May of the following year;

4 (b) A summary of the annual report and audited financial report of the  
5 Corporation shall be published on the website of the Corporation for public  
6 notice and submitted to the National Assembly not later than 31st of July of  
7 each year.

8 6. The Corporation shall establish and maintain a fund ('the Fund')  
9 from which all expenditures incurred by the Corporation shall be defrayed.

10 7. The Fund shall comprise monies derived from such moneys as  
11 may be appropriated to the Corporation from time to time by the National  
12 Assembly.

13 8. This Bill may be cited as the Nigerian National Petroleum  
14 Corporation Act (Amendment) Bill, 2017.

Citation

15 EXPLANATORY NOTE

16 An amendment to modify the provisions for finance and funding of NNPC to  
17 make the Corporation more accountable and to bring its funding into  
18 compliance with the provisions of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of  
19 Nigeria 1999 (as amended) and the Fiscal Responsibility Act, 2007.

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21 *Financial provisions*

22 1. The Corporation shall keep proper accounts and proper records in  
23 relation thereto in a form which shall conform with the best commercial  
24 standards.

25 2. The Corporation shall as soon as may be after the end of the  
26 financial year to which the accounts relate cause its accounts to be audited by  
27 auditors appointed by the Corporation, with the approval of the President, from  
28 the list of auditors and in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the  
29 Auditor-General for the Federation.

30 3. The auditors shall, on the completion of the audit of the accounts of

1 the Corporation for each financial year, prepare and submit to the  
2 Corporation reports setting out:

3 (a) general observations and recommendations of the auditors on  
4 the financial affairs of the Corporation for the year and on any important  
5 matters which the auditors desire to bring to the notice of the Corporation;  
6 and

7 (b) detailed observations and recommendations of the auditors on  
8 all aspect of the operations of the Corporation for that year.

9 4. The Corporation shall maintain a fund which shall consist of:

10 (a) such monies as may, from time to time, be provided by the  
11 Federal Government for the purposes of this Act by way of grants or loans or  
12 otherwise howsoever; and

13 (b) such monies as may be received by the Corporation in the  
14 course of its operations or in relation to the exercise by the Corporation of  
15 any of its functions under this Act, and from such fund there shall be  
16 defrayed all expenses incurred by the Corporation.

17 5. The Corporation shall submit to the President not later than  
18 three months before the end of each financial year estimates of its  
expenditure and income relating to the next following financial year.

