

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE THIRD SCHEDULE OF 1999 CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC NIGERIA, TO INCLUDE PRESIDING OFFICERS OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Odebunmi Olusegun

[] Commencement

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

1 1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as
2 amended) (hereinafter referred to as the "Principal Act") is amended as
3 follows:

Amendment of
the Principal Act

4 Section 25, part II, third schedule of the principal Act is amended
5 by including the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of
6 Representatives as members of National Security Council in the new lines
7 (c) and (d) respectively and re-arrange other members of the council from
8 new lines (e) to (k) to reads follows.

9 25. The National Security Council shall comprise the following
10 members:

11 (a) The president who shall be the Chairman;

12 (b) The Vice -President who shall be the Deputy Chairman;

13 (c) The President of the Senate;

14 (d) The Speaker of the House of Representatives;

15 (e) The Chief of Defence Staff;

16 (f) The Minister of the Government of the Federation charged with
17 the responsibility for internal affairs;

18 (g) The Minister of the Government of the Federation charged with
19 the responsibility for defence;

- 1 (h) The Minister of the Government of the Federation charged with
- 2 the responsibility for foreign affairs;
- 3 (i) The National Security Adviser;
- 4 (j) The Inspector- General of Police;
- 5 (k) Such other person as the President may in his discretion appoint.
- 6 **2. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal Republic of**
- 7 **Nigeria 1999 (Amended) Bill, 2019.**

Citation

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to amend the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended) to include the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives in the membership of the National Security Council.

Amendment

to Amend the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended)

1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended) is amended to read as follows:—

Section 30, part II, third schedule of the principal Act is amended by including the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives as members of National Security Council in the new clause (b) and (c) respectively and members of the Council shall be as follows:—

(b) the President of the Senate;

(c) the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(d) the Minister of the Government of the Federation charged with the responsibility for foreign affairs;