

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE INTEGRATION OF PRIVATE CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION (CCTV) INFRASTRUCTURE INTO THE NATIONAL SECURITY NETWORK IN NIGERIA AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Awaji-Inombek D. Abiante

[] Commencement

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

1 1. This Act makes provision for the integration of Private CCTV
2 infrastructure into the National Security Network in Nigeria.

3 2. Every private organization in Nigeria shall within six months
4 this Act come into effect install CCTV within and outside its premises with a
5 view to:

6 (a) maintaining perimeter security in medium-high secure areas
7 and installations;

8 (b) observing behavior of people in order to detect criminal
9 activities within and outside the geographical location of the company;

10 (c) identifying criminal(s) within a reasonable time frame;

11 (d) providing adequate evidence for use in court;

12 (e) obtaining a visual record of activities in situations where it is
13 necessary to maintain proper security or access control.

14 3. The broad objective of this bill is to expand the security network
15 infrastructure in Nigeria with a view to protecting the lives and properties of
16 its Citizens.

The objective of this Bill

17 4.-(i) All private companies in Nigeria shall apply or inform the
18 Commissioner of Police in its area of jurisdiction about the installation of
19 the CCTV within and outside its premises;

Police and Court Powers

20 (ii) This Act grant access to private companies' CCTV by the Police

- 1 and the Courts during the course of investigation and trial of suspected
2 criminals.
- Offences and Penalties 3 5. -(a) Any company or organization in Nigeria that refuse, out of
4 neglect to install CCTV Camera within and outside its premises is liable to a
5 fine of at least N500,000 or an imprisonment of six months or both;
6 (b) Continual refusal to install CCTV Camera shall attract a fine of at
7 least #1million or a year imprisonment or both;
8 (c) Where there is a complaint of missing of items, lives and property,
9 and the company/organization within the complaint area is unable to make its
10 CCTV available to the law enforcement agents during the course of its
11 investigation, such company/organization shall be liable for negligence and
12 charged as an accomplice of the crime.
- Courts 13 6. The High Court of a State shall have jurisdiction over the offences.
- Interpretation 14 7. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires-
15 CCTV - Closed Circuit Television is a TV Camera system in which signals are
16 not publicly distributed but are monitored primarily for surveillance and
17 security purpose;
18 Security - Protection of lives and property.
- Citation 19 8. This Bill may be cited as the Integration of Private Closed Circuit
20 Television (CCTV) Infrastructure into the National Security Network in
21 Nigeria Bill, 2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to make provision for compulsory integration of Private CCTV infrastructure into the National Security Network for the purpose of security enhancement in the Country (Nigeria).