

# A BILL

## FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DISPLAY AND USE OF THE NATIONAL FLAG,  
CERTAIN FLAGS AND THE NATIONAL COAT OF ARMS ACT OF 1960 AND  
FOR RELATED MATTERS, 2019

*Sponsored by Hon. Samuel Onuigbo*

[ ] Commencement

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

- 1           1. The display and the use of the National Flag, Certain Flags and  
2 the National Coat of Arms of 1960 Act in this Bill referred to as the principal  
3 Act is amended as set out in this Bill. Amendment of  
the National Flag,  
etc Act
- 4           2. Section 3 Subsection 2 of the principal Act is amended by Amendment of  
Section 3  
subsection 2  
5 inserting a new subsection (c) which shall read thus "It shall be a disrespect  
6 for the National Flag for any person to construct/produce the National Flag  
7 contrary to the one conceived by Pa Michael Taiwo Akinkunmi in 1959 with  
8 a green and white colour, without any embellishment of any sort including  
9 the Coat of Arms on it. A violation of this subsection is an offence".
- 10           3. Section 3 subsection 2 of the principal Act is further amended by  
11 inserting a new Subsection 2 (d) which shall read thus "Henceforth the  
12 National Orientation Agency shall be solely responsible for the  
13 construction/production of both the National Flag and the National Coat of  
14 Arms. A violation of this subsection is an offence".
- 15           4. Section 10 of the principal Act, under offences in the principal Amendment of  
Section 10  
16 Act is amended by deleting the sum "One Hundred Naira" and substituting it  
17 with the figures "One Hundred Thousand Naira for individual offenders and  
18 Five Million Naira for Corporate offenders" under offences in this Bill.

1                   5. This Bill may be cited as the display and the use of the National  
2                   Flag, Certain Flags and other National Coat of Arms Act (Amendment) Bill,  
3                   2019.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to ensure full respect and recognition for the National Flag and other National symbols, that the National Flag in particular is not deconstructed contrary to the original one conceived by Pa Aki Ikunmi in 1959.

And that the amount fined individuals and corporate offenders are increased to a level to act as deterrent to offenders.