ABILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE MARITIME ACADEMY OF NIGERIA ACT NO 16 OF 1988 LAWS OF THE FEDERATION OF NIGERIA, AND FOR RELATED MATTERS, 2020

Sponsored by Hon. Francis Charles Uduyok

Commencement ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows-Î The Maritime 1. The Maritime Academy of Nigeria Act No. 16 of 1988 (in this Academy of Nigeria Act Bill referred to as the "Principal Act") is amended as set out hereunder. 2 No. 16 of 1988 3 2. Section 7 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting Amendment of Section 7 immediately after subsection (1) (2) New Sub-Sections "(1A)" and "(1B)" 4 5 as follows: 6 "(!A) The Rector shall possess at least a Master's degree in a 7 Marine Transport or Maritime related field with relevant professional 8 certification and previous experience in a leadership role as appropriate for a 9 person required to perform the function of the office under this Act, or 10 "(1B) shall be a retired Naval Officer not below the rank of Rear 11 Admiral". 3. This Bill may be cited as the Maritime Academy of Nigeria Act 12 Short title 13 (Amendment) Bill, 2020. EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM This Bill seeks to amend the Maritime Academy Act to provide for more responsiveness to its purpose as established by the Federal Government and enhance its implementation and effectiveness. This amendment is

necessitated to meet International best practice.