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## ECOWAS PARLIAMENT HOLDS EXTRAORDINARY SESSION



The ECOWAS Parliament has on Monday, 2 February, convened in Abuja for an extraordinary session. The objective of the session, according to the Speaker and Chairman of the National Institute for Legislative Studies Governing Council, Sen. Ike Ekweremadu, was mainly to formally brief the Community as well as make presentation of the Supplementary Act relating to the enhancement of the Powers of the ECOWAS Parliament. He hinted that the 46th ECOWAS Session had considered and adopted the draft and that effort is underway to elicit the signatories of the various Heads of Government.



In his short opening speech, the Speaker said he was impressed with the massive turn out, inputs and commitment of members at every extraordinary session. He further expressed gratitude to the member countries like Nigeria, Mali, Sierra Leone and Liberia for giving immense support in the fight against the deadly Ebola that threatened lives in the region. He extended his gratitude also to the European countries and the United States for their unwavering concern and interventions to combat the Ebola menace.

The Session saw the swearing-in of some new members from Burkina Faso, Guinea Bissau and Benin. They were new entrants sequel to the exit of members from the three countries following the expiration of their time in the Parliament.

