



MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

PROPOSED ROADMAP FOR THE FINAL PHASE OF THE CONSTITUTION REVIEW PROCESS

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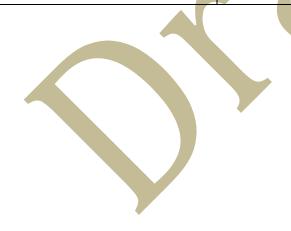
No.	Activities	No. of Days	Responsibility	Tentative Time frames
1.0.	Institutional Set Up and Preliminaries			
1.1.	Prepare Terms of Reference for the Constitution Implementation Team (CIT) – a small but representative Constitution Implementation Team to oversee the final phase	2	Ministry of Justice	12 – 13 January 2015
1.2.	Draft Bill to protect and guide the remaining phases of constitution review process. Draft Bill will highlight the composition and functions of the Constitution Implementation Team	3	Ministry of Justice	14-16 January 2015
1.3.	Finalise the printing of copies of the Interim Final Draft Constitution and Interim Final Report for wide distribution to the public	14	Government printers / Ministry of Justice	27 Jan – 8 February 2015
1.4.	Continue with the distribution of the Interim Final Draft Constitution and Interim Final Report to all parts of the country, working with different stakeholders including the Church, NGOs, Parliamentarians etc.	30	CIT/ Ministry of Justice	11 Feb- 10 March 2015 (on an on-going basis thereafter)
1.5.	Facilitate consideration of Draft Bill to protect and guide the remaining process by Cabinet	3	Minister of Justice / Cabinet Office	9 -11 February 2015
1.6.	Table Draft Bill for consideration and debate by the National Assembly	7	Ministry of Justice	17 -24 February 2015
1.7.	Appoint a small but representative Constitution Implementation Team / Secretariat to oversee the final phase following the enactment of the Bill by Parliament	1	Ministry of Justice	27 February 2015
1.8.	Prepare work plan and budget for the remaining phase of the constitution making process	5	CIT / Ministry of Justice	3 – 7 March 2015
1.9.	Publish Guidelines for Public Validation process on the Final Draft Constitution	7	CIT / Ministry of Justice	2 -10 March 2015
1.10.	Prepare communication and advocacy strategy for the public validation process	2	CIT	10 – 11 March 2015

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2.0.	Public Engagement and Consensus Building			
2.1.	Identify and appoint an independent group of eminent persons to spearhead the consensus building process	2	CIT/Ministry of Justice	16 – 17 March 2015
2.2.	Hold orientation workshop for independent group of eminent persons	3	CIT/Ministry of Justice	22 – 24 March 2015
2.3.	Facilitate public sensitisation on the Interim Final Draft constitution and report	30	CII	20 March - 19 April 2015
2.4.	Hold consensus building meetings with relevant stakeholders to arrive at a commonly accepted document	45	CIT / Independent Group of Eminent Persons	27 March -10 May 2015
2.5.	Receive public comments and reactions to the Interim Final constitution and Interim Final Report	60	CIT	20 March - 20 May 2015
2.6.	Review and analyse comments received from members of the public and experts	12	CIT	25 May - 6 June 2015
2.7.	Prepare Final draft constitution and Final Report to accompany the constitution	45	CIT	15 Jun – 31 Jul 2015

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3.0.	Referendum Process			
3.1.	Facilitate the Presidential appointment of a Referendum Commission	1	Minister of Justice / Republican President	12 February 2015
3.2.	Hold an experts planning workshop to consider different technical solutions for establishing an electoral college for the referendum	45	CIT / Ministry of Justice	16 March – 15 May 2015
3.3.	Draft amendments to the Referendum Act	5	Ministry of Justice	23 - 27 March 2015
3.4.	Consideration of the amendments to the Referendum Act by Cabinet	2	Secretary to the Cabinet / Ministry of Justice	9 April and 13 April 2015
3.5.	Facilitate consideration of the amendments to the Referendum Act by the National Assembly	10	Ministry of Justice	9 – 19 June 2015
3.6.	Prepare work plan and budget for the referendum process	10	Referendum Commission	25 June – 4 July 2015
3.7.	Hold consultative meetings with Civil Society, professional bodies, the Church and political parties	5	Referendum Commission	13 - 17 July 2015
3.8	Hold media training workshops throughout the country	30	Referendum Commission	22 July – 30 August 2015
3.9.	Facilitate public sensitization and awareness on the referendum and its modalities	120	Referendum Commission	1 Sept - 31 Dec 2015
3.10	Facilitate preparation of the voters roll taking into account the agreed upon voting age population	90	Referendum Commission	1 Oct - 31 Dec 2015
3.11.	Draft the Constitution of Zambia Bill	5	Ministry of Justice	10 - 14 Aug 2015
3.12.	Present the Constitution of Zambia Bill and the Final Draft constitution to Parliament for first reading	2	Minister of Justice	20 - 21 Oct 2015



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3.0.	Referendum Process			
3.13.	Publication of the Final Draft Constitution in the Government Gazette	30	Ministry of Justice	27 Oct - 30 Nov 2015
3.14.	Hold National Referendum	1	Referendum Commission	21 January 2016
3.15.	Compile results and officially declare the results of the National Referendum	7	Referendum Commission	22 – 27 January 2016
3.16.	Second and Third Reading of the Constitution Amendment Bill after the Referendum during the 1st legislative session of 2016	12	National Assembly	9 - 26 February 2016



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4.0.	Preparation of Consequential legislation			
4.1.	 Consideration of consequential Legislation review of Final Draft Constitution and written laws to determine extent of consequential legislation to be drafted create a schedule of legislation to be drafted immediately and over period of time 	7	Draftspersons	17 -23 Aug 2015
4.2.	Drafting of immediate legislation to accompany the Constitution and Constitution of Zambia Act, including the following: • Electoral Acts and Regulation (National and Local Government) • Acts establishing Commissions • Local Government Bill • Public Protector Bill • Budget Bill • Public Audit Bill • Public Finance Bill • National Assembly (Powers and Privileges) Bill • Judicature Bill • Constitutional Court Bill • Court of Appeal Bill • Judicial (Code of Conduct) Bill	120	Draftspersons	1 Sept 2015 - 31 Dec 2015
4.3.	Consideration of draft consequential legislation by the National Assembly	45	Draftspersons	9 Feb – 29 March 2016