

Tentative Timeline for Political Transition

• Promulgation of Interim Constitution (1 October 2006).



• The Council for Democratic Reform transformed into the Council for National Security (CNS).
• Appointment of Prime Minister who will form a civilian government (PM appointed on 1 October 2006).
• Swearing - in of the Cabinet (Cabinet appointed on 8 October 2006 and sworn in on 9 October 2006).

• Convening of the **National Legislative Assembly** (242 members appointed on 12 October 2006 and inaugural session convened on 20 October 2006).

• Convening of the **National People's Assembly** (2,000 persons) from all sectors of society (1,982 members appointed on 10 December 2006).



• Nomination of a list of 200 persons by the National People's Assembly, from which CNS will select 100 persons to form the **Constitution Drafting Assembly** (100 members appointed on 2 January 2007).



• Start of Constitution drafting by the **Constitution Drafting Committee** (35 persons) comprising eminent persons of whom 25 are selected by the Constitution Drafting Assembly and 10 proposed by the CNS.

6 months after the first meeting of the Constitution Drafting Assembly



• Completion of 1st draft of the Constitution (not more than 180 days after 1st meeting of Constitution Drafting Assembly).



• The draft Constitution is presented for deliberation of the Constitution Drafting Assembly, Council for National Security, Cabinet, National Legislative Assembly and other relevant institutions and agencies. A **public hearing** is also arranged.

Approx. 9 months after the first meeting of the Constitution Drafting Assembly



• The draft Constitution is to be revised based on inputs from all relevant institutions and agencies as well as public hearing.



• Finalisation of the draft Constitution through **National Referendum** (up to 30 days).
• Promulgation of the new Constitution.
• Parallel drafting of organic laws and approval by National Legislative Assembly (90 days).



• **FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS** within the timeframe specified by the Constitution