(as of 20 Oct 2006)

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** (250 persons) *(242 members appointed on 12 October 2006).*

- Convening of the **National People's Assembly** (2,000 persons) from all sectors of society.

- 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**.

- 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.

- Completion of the 1st draft of the Constitution (approximately 3-4 months).

- 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.

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

6 months after the first meeting of the Constitution Drafting Assembly

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

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

- **FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS WITHIN 30-90 DAYS.**