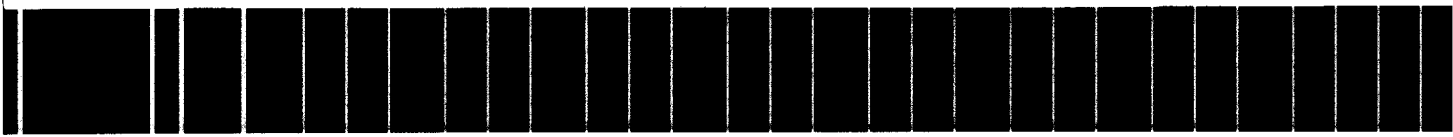


**MEMORANDUM FOR PRINCIPAL DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (POLICY)**

From: Governance Group

Subject: Notional sequencing of elections, June 2003 – November 2004

- **June 1, 2003**            **IIA creation**
- **July 1, 2003**            **IIA creates National Election Commission (NEC)**
- NEC comprised of 19 members – one from each province, chairman appointed by IIA. (NEC will be supported by international technical advisors.)
  - Provincial board members responsible for promulgation of regional election laws and creation of regional and local election commissions.
- NEC will assess applicable existing body of law and voting infrastructure, including polling places, current or existing voter lists. Conduct quick or “snap” census.
- NEC will draft political parties, national election and financial disclosure laws.
  - Universal suffrage, 18 years of age or older, registered to a known address supported by government issued identification
- NEC will develop mechanisms for adjudication of election disputes, certification of election results, and enforcement of election and financial disclosure laws.
- NEC will develop and conduct civic education and voter awareness campaigns prior to constitutional referendum and national elections.
- NEC will establish polling sites; identify, screen, and train precinct election workers.
- NEC will authorize election observers/monitors; foreign and domestic.
- NEC will announce referendum on “basic law” and establish the necessary regulatory framework.
- NEC will design and authorize production of referendum ballots; oversee distribution to polling sites; and transportation from Local Election Commissions (LECs) to Provincial Election Commission (PEC) for passage to NEC for tabulation. (CPA will play role in security of ballots.)



- NEC will publish draft "basic law" document and conduct a civic education program on the referendum. (In conjunction with Constitution Commission.)
- **November 2003      National referendum on draft "basic law's" document**
- NEC will tabulate and publish results of national referendum.
- NEC will publish law on political parties, and register parties that meet party guidelines.
- NEC in conjunction with PECs and LECs will conduct voter registration program.
- NEC will map National Assembly districts.
- NEC will register candidates for elections to the National Assembly.
- NEC will authorize election observers/monitors; foreign and domestic.
- NEC will design and authorize production of election ballots; oversee distribution to polling sites; and transportation from LECs to PECs for tabulation, certification and passage to NEC for certification and storage. (CPA will play role in security of ballots.)
- **January 2004      National Assembly elections**
- LECs, PECs, and NEC will tabulate, certify, and publish results of National Assembly elections.
- NEC will adjudicate election complaints and disputes. Appeals can be referred to civil court system.
- NEC will work with PECs to ensure framework for provincial elections are in place.

*Procedures established for national elections will be replicated by provincial and local election commissions for provincial and local election in consultation with the NEC, IIA and CPA technical advisors.*

- **April 2004      Provincial elections, Governors and Assemblies**
- LECs, PECs, and NEC will tabulate, certify, and publish results of provincial elections.
- NEC will work with PECs and LECs to ensure framework for local elections are in place.

- LEC will authorize election municipal elections.
- LEC will map districts for municipal councils.
- LECs with assistance of PECs and NEC will conduct civic education campaigns on voting rights and elections.
- LECs will prepare ballots for local elections.
- **Municipal Council/Executive elections in two phases**
  - May 2004 Provincial capitals and cities of 300 thousand+
  - July 2004 Final series of local elections
- **November 2004 Presidential elections (if necessary)**

	<b>July 1 – November 2003</b>	<b>December 2003 – January 2004</b>	<b>January 2004 – April 2004</b>	<b>April 2004 – July 2004</b>	<b>August 2004 – November 2004</b>
<b>Electoral bodies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Establish NEC, PEC, LEC</li> <li>-- Development of applicable laws</li> <li>-- Assess current electoral system</li> <li>-- Establish polling sites,; identify, screen and train election officials</li> <li>--Authorize national/international election monitors</li> <li>-- Prepare ballots and secure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Tabulate, certify and publish results of referendum</li> <li>--Develop law on political parties</li> <li>--Map National Assembly districts</li> <li>-- Prepare ballots and secure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Tabulate, certify and publish results of national assembly elections</li> <li>--NEC adjudicates election disputes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Tabulate, certify and publish results of provincial elections</li> <li>--PEC adjudicates election disputes, appeals to NEC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Tabulate, certify and publish results of local elections</li> <li>--LEC adjudicates election disputes, appeals to PEC and NEC</li> </ul>
<b>Voter registration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Establish a system of voter registration</li> <li>--Use referendum as voter registration tool</li> </ul>	-- On going	-- On going	-- On going	-- On going



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