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**TIMEFRAME FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A POLICY FRAMEWORK AND
PROMOTION OF LEGISLATION RELATING TO ROLE OF TRADITIONAL
LEADERS IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE**

ACTIVITY	TARGET DATE	COMMENTS
1. Submit Bill and a Cabinet Memorandum, requesting Cabinet approval to extend the current statutory deadline from 30 September 2007 to 30 June 2008, for the repeal of sections 12 and 20 of the Black Administration Act, 1927.	End of June 2007	The draft Policy Framework was preceded by research and the research paper will be made available in due course
2. Finalise draft Policy Framework on the role of Traditional Leaders in the administration of justice	End of August 2007	
3. Consultation with the National House of Traditional Leaders and provincial houses of traditional leaders, as well as other roleplayers on the draft Policy Framework on the role Traditional Leaders in the administration of justice	September and October 2007	
4. Submission of final Policy Framework on the role of Traditional Leaders in the administration of justice, as adapted pursuant to consultation process, together with draft legislation, giving effect to the recommendations contained in the Policy Framework, to Cabinet for consideration and approval	End of October/beginning of November 2007	
5. Introduce draft legislation referred to in Item 4 into Parliament	November 2007	
6. Submission of draft legislation referred to in Item 5 to National House of Traditional Leaders, as required by section 18 of the Traditional Leadership and Governance Framework Act, 2003	December 2007 - February 2008	Section 18 of the Traditional Leadership and Governance Framework Act, 2003, requires the Secretary to Parliament to submit any Bill dealing with traditional leadership to the National House of Traditional Leaders for a period of 30 days when

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		it is introduced into Parliament. (The timeframe suggested in the adjoining column exceeds 30 days, giving the National House of Traditional Leaders two months to consider the draft legislation.)
7. Promotion of draft legislation in the National Assembly	February – March 2008 (2 months)	<p>During the suggested two months, the following activities are envisaged:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Department will brief the Portfolio Committee on Justice and Constitutional Development. (ii) Public hearings will be held, during which interested parties can convey their views on the Bill. (iii) The Portfolio Committee will deliberate on the Bill and approve it. (iv) The Second Reading debate on the Bill will take place when the National Assembly approves the Bill.
8. Promotion of the draft legislation in the National Council of Provinces	April – June (3 months)	The Parliamentary processes spelt out in Item 7 are also applicable in the National Council of Provinces. However, because the Bill, dealing with traditional leadership, will have to be dealt with in accordance with the procedures envisaged in section 76 of the Constitution, which, among others, require mandates from the Provincial Legislatures, 3 months have

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		been suggested for approval of the Bill by the National Council of Provinces.
9. Implementation of the draft legislation	April - June 2008	This period will be used to finalise rules and regulation that the draft legislation will require. Drafting of the required subordinate legislation will, however, be undertaken when the Bill is prepared and will be adapted, as required by the Parliamentary process so that it is ready as soon as possible after the Bill has been approved by Parliament. This three month period will also be used to ensure that all other logistical requirements are taken care of before the Bill is signed into law by 30 June 2008, for instance training courses should this be necessary.