

Timeline of the Somali Constitutional Process: 2004-2012

August 2004

Transitional Federal Charter adopted

September 2004

Transitional Federal Government (TFG) established under Puntland's President, Abdullahi Yussuf.

June 2006

Independent Federal Constitution Commission (IFCC) established to work on a new (federal) Constitution.

June 2008

Moderate wing of the former Islamic Court Union included in TFG and 275 new Members of Transitional Federal Parliament sworn in.

January 2009

Sheikh Sharif (former Chairman of the Islamic Court Union) elected as new TFG President.

January 2010

Fifteen new commissioners of IFCC were sworn into office.

July 2010

Consultative Draft Constitution (CDC) presented by IFCC and public consultation process commenced.

September 2011

Roadmap to End the Transition adopted by the Somali Roadmap Signatories, i.e.: TFG President, TFG Prime Minister, Speaker of the Transitional Federal Parliament, President of Puntland, President of Galmudug, Chairman of Ahlu Sunnah Wal Jamaa, along with the SRSJ Augustine Mahiga.

November 2011

Committee of Experts (CoE) established by the Roadmap Signatories in order to complement the work of the IFCC.

December 2011

Garowe I Constitutional Conference introduced a National Constituent Assembly (NCA) to replace the national referendum in the adoption of the new Constitution.

February 2012

Garowe II Constitutional Conference developed procedures for the adoption of the new Constitution by the NCA, and introduced substantial decisions on the content of the new Constitution, e.g. the decision to establish a parliamentary system of government and the ways forward in the country's federalisation attempt.

March 2012

Galkaayo Agreement introduced Somali Traditional Elders as a mechanism that would select members of the NCA and the new Federal Parliament.

April 2012

Harmonised Draft Constitution presented by IFCC and CoE.

April 2012

Addis Ababa Agreement by the Roadmap Signatories established the Technical Review Committee (TRC) to review and amend the Harmonised Draft Constitution presented by IFCC and CoE.

June 2012

Nairobi Agreement by the Roadmap Signatories transformed the TRC to become the Technical Facilitation Committee (TFC) to finalise the Harmonised Draft Constitution for presentation to the NCA and established the Technical Selection Committee (TSC) to vet members for the NCA and the new Federal Parliament as nominated by the Traditional Elders

July 2012

TFC published the Draft Provisional Constitution for presentation to the NCA.

01 August 2012

Provisional Constitution adopted by the NCA/Council of Ministers formed.

20 August 2012

The 275-member Federal Parliament of Somalia inaugurated.

28 August 2012

A new Speaker of the Federal Parliament selected.

10 September 2012

A new President of the Federal Republic of Somalia selected.

06 October 2012

A new Prime Minister of the Federal Republic of Somalia appointed.

13 November 2012

The Council of Ministers, announced by the Prime Minister, was endorsed by the Federal Parliament.