Legislative drafting learning process in Mozambique

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1. Min of Finance - can't come.
2. Min of Justice - can't contact vice-ministers; understand it's on their agenda = 2 ideas: 1) Law Reform Comm 2) Z Comm - but can't say now.
3. Re law school re-take to review curriculum, however, trying to convince Prof Pitana to come as resource person/law reform; difficulty = IBRD and final. Deo's school = misconduct by ber. VC & law sch dir/many funds - Still hopes to come this fall himself, will write BU/finding, may not have by Jan.

4. Re MoJ's possible 4 drafts - will try to see if can send 2 versions next fall; involve next course.

Anna: Assemble possible staff - possible background = technical staff.

Anna: Q: if Assembly proposes bills, will they accept MoJ work - Bob: Ideal sit is 6 weeks.

Anna: funding for 6 weeks available; concern = can we pull it off; MPs will only take part for 2 weeks, perhaps, old get at least 1 deputy to follow through process.

Des: MPs must be deted to move forward, whatever results from which phase 1 - 4 weeks - agree on prob. areas 5 weeks - researchers + consultants + for. cons. A final meeting again w. MPs + cons. agree on bills & reports; MPs take results part of their work in next session.

Anna: For project, aim to strengthen ass.; people at BU from law sch / MoJ to lead, will find 1 or 2 from law sch.

Anna: Re Asm. = bad; or Sev of VC's office (= woman).

Des: EBRD funds transparency, probs = shit. Can identify people to run law faculty's projects and do job.
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President of Assembly asked = 2 week seminar - met
in Antu = 2 weeks ; suggest 2 visits/re turns
reasons for me - develop 3 bills, reports - request to consider
1 w/ deputies or 2 propose one seminar using consultants
first w/ drafts then meet deputies - many come by
way from disk = put up

Bob: get ministers and w/ on th. + math - then meet
depuities.

Andrea: Option: longer career for drafters, then meet w/
depuities w/ drafters = multipliers, (working in close
cooperation w/ law school) = total 26 weeks
Assembly has decided only to train people in
1st workshop + 8 from elsewhere
Another option: write daily th & tools -
will try to identify bills tomorrow.
In addition to drafters, include experts/bill -
Dee: Mariá Pui (IBRD) = too shy, doesn't push program, stalling Dee's scholarship. VE & Law Dean = urging of sit, how get Mario Pui to act.

Andrea: 5 components of long proj. 1 overall director, funds all allocated => decentralized. Mario = just monitoring.

Dee: But no action.

Andrea: After msg him, realized nothing will happen.

Another Q:

Bob: Shd st. w. tech. people = 2 wks/^th. it meth. go to wks 2 wks.

Andrea: If constituents come after 1 week, might not have mats ready.

Bob: don't need overlap - 4 wks prog, 2 wks = tech.

People = res. repts, gills = 2nd two weeks = MPs go over gills (from Maputo).

Andrea: 25th = Independ Day = holiday & 1st 15th of July.

Dee: Wish they'd agree on gills.

Andrea: Like idea of proj. Ext.

Bob: environmental gills.

Andrea: Be lucky if agree on new gills.

Dee: Informal sector bill? Be 1st of some deadline - have certificate etc., re scholarship.

Andrea: Would like people from region - maybe SA, mix of 1st & 3rd world. If define profile, US can help.
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Concems:
1. Requested Assembly to nominate 1 - 2 people for chair = low level of 10+20, not all have HS ed; abt 5
2. Difficulties coordinating with Assembly: wig group for legs & priorities fell apart; Majority don't accept VP of Assembly as leader, asked to postpone decision, hopefully will meet next Tues. Commission head will call tonight, so may know. One he suggested: minor bills = informal ec = def bill, health & human services, not budget; new tag rules for drafting = possible, but no receptivity to controversial bills.
3. Translation in wig groups = 3 teams, require 2 translators.
4. Participants: those rec'd aren't 10% = no power in NA = (6-10 very powerful, try to get into core); suggest 2 days for top 10; 2 law faculty participants; 1 may; some candidates/Commission; include min reps/bills.
5. Philosophical Qs: Theo: since parties not lawyer, legal trad = drifts, see we give day or 2 outside course on legal techniques, Mosc. court, etc., = useful/consid req. = local lawyer.
6. Meet him Sunday.
will help at Draft office, but don't have money yet

- Separate rooms if possible/wig grips - at NA Law School
- Will bring interp. eqpt