**PROPOSED WORDING OF AMENDED SECTION 103(1) OF THE DEFENCE ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 42 OF 2002)**

**Board of inquiry in relation to absence without leave**

**103.** (1) When any member of the Defence Force has been absent without leave **[more than 30 days]** for a continuous period exceeding 10 calendar days and is still absent, a board of inquiry must be convened by the officer commanding of the absent member to inquire into such absence.