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Bilateral Legal Framework in support  
of  
One-Stop Border Posts  
between  
South Africa and Mozambique

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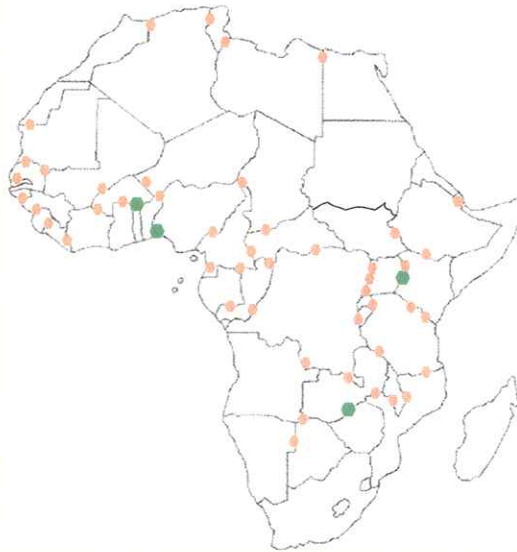
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ONE-STOP BORDER POSTS IN AFRICA



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- Operational / Pilot:
  - Burkina Faso/Togo (Cinkase)
  - Benin/Nigeria (Seme)
  - Kenya/Uganda (Malaba)
  - Zimbabwe/Zambia (Chirundu)
- Planned / Under consideration



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# BENEFITS OF ONE-STOP BORDER POSTS

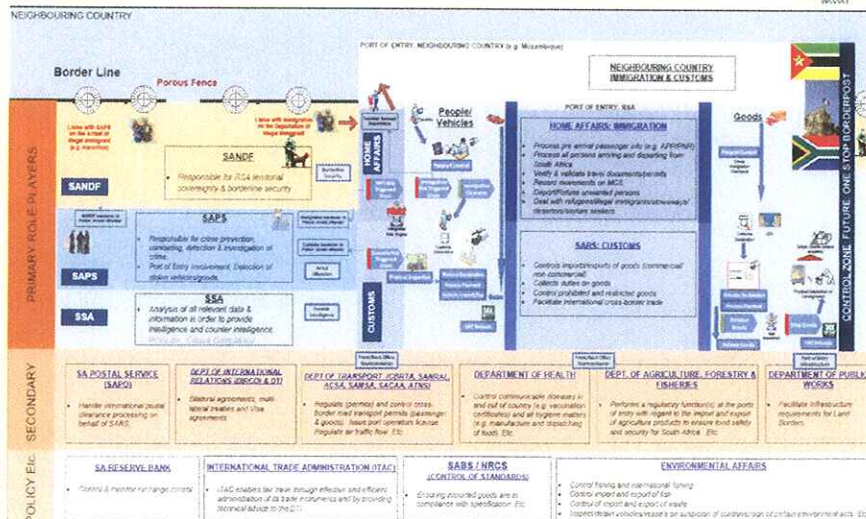


- Reduced border crossing times;
- Reduced logistics costs to trade and the economy;
- Reduced and simplified border control and administration;
- Advanced and integrated risk and information management; and
- Enhanced oversight of and control over border crossing environment.

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# SOUTH AFRICA BORDER PROCESSING ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES HIGH LEVEL CONCEPTUAL OVERVIEW



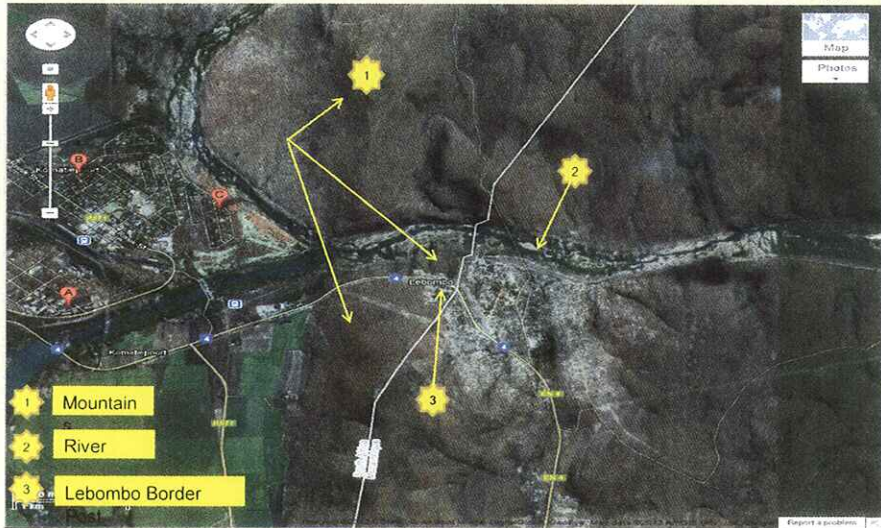
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# AERIAL MAP OF LEBOMBO/RESSANO GARCIA



BORDER CONTROL OPERATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE (BCCOCC)



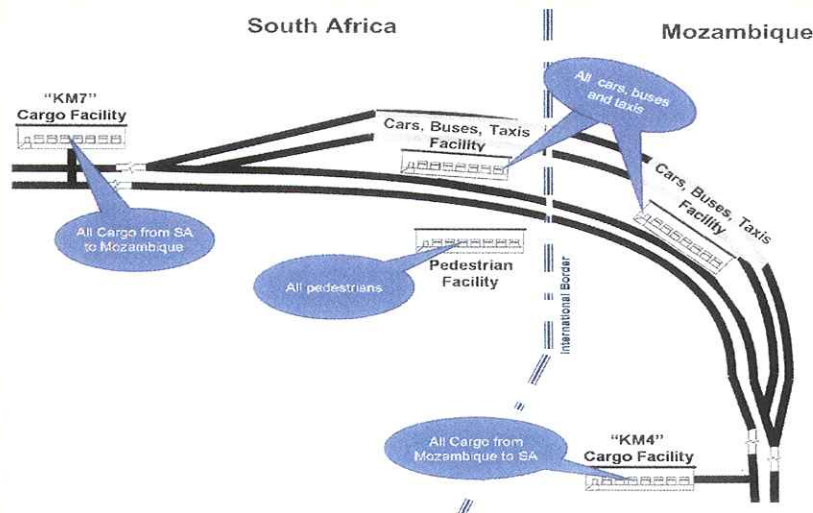
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# PROPOSED LAY-OUT OF THE BORDER POST



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## PROGRESS: LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK



- Bilateral Agreement signed with Mozambique and Mozambique has ratified the agreement.
- Three Annexes to the agreement drafted:
  - Methodology for designating and delimiting all areas;
  - Joint control and management of border activities and exercising of authority & powers;
  - Ownership, management and maintenance of shared infrastructure
- The texts of these Annexes agreed bilaterally at official level
- Amending relevant domestic legislation will follow after ratification

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## PROGRESS: PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE



- Dedicated cargo facilities at km7 and km4 constructed
- By-pass road for cargo completed
- Dedicated pedestrian facility being finalised
- Information Technology Infrastructure at Main Port and KM7 commissioned.

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## PROGRESS: OPERATIONAL READINESS



- The relevant standard operating procedures, policies and process integration being drafted
- Customs & Immigration processes modernised (movement of people & goods)
- Planning for systems connectivity (data exchange) to facilitate seamless processing

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## CONCLUSION – CONSULTATION PROCESS



### Inter-departmental:

- July 2010 Departments mandated legal resources to finalise the BLF;
- August 2010 Inter-departmental group established to draft & approve final text;
- Ongoing feedback at Heads of Department level
- Participating departments included:
  - Department of Home Affairs
  - South African Police Service
  - South African Revenue Service
  - Department of Public Works
  - Department of Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry
  - Department of Health
  - Department of Environmental Affairs
  - Department of Transport
  - State Security Agency

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## CONCLUSION (CONTINUED)



- **Other entities of interest:** SA National Roads Agency Limited; Cross-Border Road Transport Agency; and Transnet;
- **Constitutional process:** Offices of the Chief State Law Advisers; and Cabinet clusters on International Cooperation, Trade and Security (ICTS) and Justice, Crime Prevention and Security (JCPS) in February 2011;
- **External Senior Counsel:** consulted on International Law and Constitutionality.

### Bilateral

- Mandate from inter-departmental process to obtain consensus with Mozambique;
- Approval of text obtained from Mozambique, both offices of the Chief State Law Advisor and participating departments in June 2011.

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## CONCLUSION (CONTINUED)



- An inter-departmental and international learning experience in co-operation.
- Critical building block for trade facilitation in the region.
- Enhanced security of borders & market access in support of economic growth, job creation and prosperity

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BOARD CONTROL, ORGANISATION  
AND EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE  
(BCOE)

## QUESTIONS?

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