



## Policing & Judicial System

Key considerations:

- Establishing an Independent Magistrate Court System
  - Structure and Operations
  - Cameroon Bar Association Reform
  - Appellate Court Coordination
- Establishing a Regional Police Force
  - Mandate and Governance
  - Reflecting Local Demographics
  - Municipal Police Forces

Question

- What measures should be in place to ensure the independence and impartiality of the magistrate courts?
- How can the courts balance the use of English Common Law while accommodating regional legal traditions and practices?
- What resources (financial, training, infrastructure) are needed to establish and sustain these courts?
- What legal and institutional reforms are necessary to create and manage an English-speaking subsection within the bar association?
- What challenges might English-speaking lawyers face under the new ordinances, and how can these be addressed?
- What systems should be put in place to ensure cases referred from the magistrate courts are heard effectively in English or with appropriate translations?
- How can the appellate courts ensure fairness in handling cases from the Former British Southern Cameroons, given the linguistic and legal differences?
- What specific roles and responsibilities should be included in the regional police force's mandate?
- How should the Assemblies structure oversight mechanisms to prevent abuse of power and ensure accountability?
- What strategies can be employed to ensure the police force reflects the territory's demographic diversity?
- What recruitment and training policies are needed to maintain inclusivity and cultural competence within the force?
- What should be the scope of authority and responsibilities for municipal police forces in principal agglomerations?
- How can municipal police collaborate with regional and national forces to ensure seamless law enforcement?