

Chapter 3

Title: The making of the 2013 constitution in Zimbabwe: challenges and prospects for political development

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Introduction

Constitutionalism has become an international issue and Zimbabwe, like any other African countries, has experienced constitutional instability. Zimbabwe's 2010-2013 constitution-making process was carried out a result of political differences between Zimbabwe African National Union, Patriotic Front (ZANU PF) and the opposition party, the Movement for Democratic Change (MDC). Over the years, the Zimbabwean constitution had been a contested document. First, there was the component of foreignness- the idea that the constitution remained a non-Zimbabwean creation. Secondly it was the issue of amendments. Zimbabwe had amended its constitution nineteen times since 1980. ...