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# Introduction

## Purpose

<Document the purpose of this document

Example: The purpose of this document is to detail the business requirements>

## Background

<Brief description on the initial stimuli of the project and how the organization intends to achieve its goals and make the desired transition and by what means>

## Definitions

<List any terms the audience may not understand, including specific terms, abbreviations and acronyms>

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# Business Scope and Objectives

## In Scope

<Include the scope of the project providing a 'high-level’ understanding of what the Department / Agency is and aspires to become>

## Out of Scope

<List what is excluded from the project scope>

## Objectives

<Identify the overall projects objectives. This will help in providing the context in which the project is intends to be undertaken>

# As-Is Business Process Flows

<Document the “As-is” business process flows here. Suggestions could include the following:

* *Including a business process model which could provide a graphical representation of the flow of work*
* *Depicting the usage and interaction between the various components – people, hardware and software>*

# Observations

<Document the any common trends or anecdotal evidence worth highlighting. This should be the largest section, including results from

interviews, workshops, observations, desktop research, statistical analysis, etc.>

# Recommendations

<Document the any recommendations or opportunities you have identified. You may prefer to separate these into subheadings if some are

mandatory/urgent and others optional.>

# Assumptions, Issues and Constraints

## Assumptions

<Outline any critical assumptions related to the business requirements. This may include that one individual represents/speaks for a collective.>

## Issues

<Outline any issues related to the business requirements. This may include stakeholders dropping out>

## Constraints

<Outline any constraints related to the business requirements. This may include time limits>

# Appendices

## Appendix 1

<Include any additional annexures which might be useful for example Process maps>