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Notice: The Hague Adoption Convention Enters Into Force for Fiji

On August 1, 2012, the *Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co-Operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption* entered into force for Fiji.

The Department of State has not received information from the Government of Fiji on its plans for implementing the Convention. The United States cannot process Convention intercountry adoptions until the Government of Fiji implements an effective Convention intercountry adoption process.

We caution adoption service providers and prospective adoptive parents that, to ensure that adoptions from Fiji will comply with the Convention, important steps must take place before intercountry adoptions between the United States and Fiji resume. Adoption service providers should neither initiate nor claim to initiate adoption programs in Fiji until the Department of State notifies them that it has resumed adoptions in Fiji.

The Department of State will provide updated information on [adoption.state.gov](#) as it becomes available. If you have any questions about this notice, please contact the Office of Children's Issues at 1-888-407-4747 within the United States, or 202-501-4444 from outside the United States. E-mail inquiries may be directed to AdoptionUSCA@state.gov.