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Children Adopted From Vietnam before July 1, 2009 No Longer Need to Register to Retain Vietnamese Nationality

On June 24, 2014, the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam approved a Law on Amendments and Supplements to the Citizenship Law of Vietnam. This law abolishes the requirement for Vietnamese citizen children adopted from Vietnam before July 1, 2009 to register in order to retain Vietnamese nationality, as posted in our [October 2013 announcement](#).

According to the amended law, Vietnamese citizens residing overseas who retained Vietnamese nationality under existing Vietnamese law will continue to retain their Vietnamese nationality. The amended law further states that those who have not lost their Vietnamese nationality, but have no documents to prove their Vietnamese nationality, should register with an overseas Vietnamese diplomatic mission if they wish to acquire a Vietnamese passport.

For more information, please contact [the Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam](#) .