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Parents Must Now Obtain a “No Objection Certificate” (NOC) from the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) before Departing India

The Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) advises that adoptive parents must obtain a no objection certificate (NOC) from the FRRO prior to departing India with their adoptive or prospective adoptive child. Once parents have an immigrant visa for their child they may visit the “F & R Desk” of the FRRO office (see address below) in person to process the FRRO NOC. Parents may also contact the FRRO support desk by telephone at (+91 11) 2671-1443 or by e-mail at frrodli.support@nic.in or frrodli.support@gov.in for assistance in obtaining this document.

Foreigners Regional Registration Office

East Block VIII Level II
Sec 1, RK Puram, Delhi – 110 066
+(91)-(11)-26711074, 26711384, 26711443, 26711348

India’s Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) issues its own NOC and informs FRRO, but FRRO airport staff requires a second NOC, issued by the FRRO. Adoptive parents do not require an exit permit.

Should adoption service providers or their families have any issues or concerns, please contact the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi directly by email at NDAadopt@state.gov. In case of an emergency involving a U.S. citizen, please call the 24-hour operator at (+91-11) 2419-8000 and ask for American Citizen Services. If you are calling from within India, but outside Delhi, first dial 011. If you are calling from the United States, dial 011-91-11 first.