Notice: Post-adoption reporting requirements

This Adoption Notice replaces the Adoption Notice dated April 5, 2011, on post-adoption reporting requirements for Latvia. Latvian law requires that two post-adoption reports be submitted: one after the first year following adoption and one after the second year. Two extra months are allowed for translation and submission of the report. Post-adoption reports must be submitted with a translation in Latvian. The reports should be conducted by the adoptive family's adoption service provider and submitted to the Latvian Ministry of Welfare. The intercountry adoption process requires compliance with the laws of both the United States and the child's country of origin. Failure to comply with Latvia's post-adoption requirement could potentially affect the continuation of intercountry adoptions to the United States. We strongly encourage agencies to comply with Latvian post-adoption reporting requirements and to submit reports on time. All agencies operating in Latvia have been notified of this requirement. Compliance will help ensure that Latvia's history of positive experiences with American adoptive families continues.