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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ON INTER-COUNTRY ADOPTION FROM RWANDA

Rwanda is a State party to the Hague Convention on the protection of children and cooperation in respect of Inter-country Adoption concluded on 29 May 1993, as ratified by the Presidential Order No 24/01 of 07 May 2010.

In this regard, the National Commission for Children (NCC) was established to serve as the Central Authority in charge of Inter-country adoption, as provided for by the Law N° 22/2011 of 28/06/2011.

In addition to that, the Government of Rwanda has made a strong commitment to domesticate the above mentioned Convention through different laws including the Law N° 54/2011 of 14/12/2011 relating to the rights and the protection of the child, Law N° 32/2016 of 28/08/2016 governing persons and family and the Ministerial order N° 001/MIGEPROF/2017 of 16/01/2017 determining conditions to be considered in intercountry adoption and the procedure thereof.

In view of the above, and referring to the announcement of the Minister of Gender and Family Promotion of 17th August 2010 suspending temporarily to receive new applications for inter-country adoption in order to put in place structures and mechanisms required for a newly signatory State of the Hague Convention for its implementation;

Considering that Rwanda's institutional and legal frameworks have been updated in conformity with the standards of inter-country adoption as indicated above;

The Ministry of Gender and Family Promotion would like to inform the public that the temporary suspension of new applications for inter-country adoption from Rwanda is hereby removed.

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