

SCHEDULE 3

APPENDIX 4

PART I

**matters to be covered in reports supplied under
rules 4a.3(4), 4a.4(7), 4a.22(1) or 4a.22(2)**

5. *Actions of the adoption agency or Board supplying the report*

- (a) Reports under rules 4A.3(4), 4A.4(7), or 4A.22(1): –
 - (i) brief account of the agency’s actions in the case, with particulars and dates of all written information and notices given to the child, his natural parents and the prospective adopter;
 - (ii) details of alternatives to adoption considered;
 - (iii) reasons for considering that adoption would be in the child’s best interest (with date of relevant decision); and
 - (iv) reasons for considering that the prospective adopter would be suitable to be an adoptive parent and that he would be suitable for this child (with dates of relevant decisions) or, if the child has not yet been placed for adoption, reasons for considering that he is likely to be so placed; or
- (b) Reports under rule 4A.22(2): –
 - (i) confirmation that notice was given under Article 22 with the date of that notice;
 - (ii) brief account of the Board’s actions in the case; and
 - (iii) account of investigations whether child was placed in contravention of Article 11.