EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note does not form part of the Regulations)

These Regulations make provision for the arrangements for placement of children by local authorities, voluntary organisations and personscarrying on registered children's homes. These placements are withfoster parents, in community homes, voluntary children's homes orregistered children's homes and under other arrangements (but not in ahome provided in accordance with arrangements made by the Secretary of State under section 82(5) of the Children Act 1989).

The Regulations make provision for the application of theregulations (regulation 2); the making of arrangements for accommodationand maintenance of and promotion of the welfare of children (regulation3); the considerations to be given on making the arrangements and exceptin a care case the contents of those arrangements (regulation 4);notification of the arrangements (regulation 5); the arrangements forcontact in respect of children placed by voluntary organisations or in aregistered children's home (regulation 6); the health requirements(regulation 7); establishment of records (regulation 8); the retentionand confidentiality of records (regulation 9); registers of relevantinformation (regulation 10); the access by guardians ad litem to recordsand registers (regulation 11); arrangements made between localauthorities and other authorities for carrying out responsibilities inrespect of those arrangements on their behalf (regulation 12) andshort-term placements (regulation 13).