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SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 12(5)

FORM OF REFERENCE BY ADOPTION AGENCY TO PRINCIPAL REPORTER FOR ADVICE BY CHILDREN'S HEARING TO THE COURT

**To the Principal Reporter**

(Name of adoption agency) as an adoption agency has considered the case of (name and address of child) who is subject to a supervision requirement dated [ ] by a children's hearing for (local authority area), and is satisfied for the reasons set out below that the best interests of (name of child) would be served by the agency [applying under section 18 of the Adoption (Scotland) Act 1978 for an order freeing (name of child) for adoption] [placing (name of child) for adoption]\*; and the agency intends to [apply for such an order] [so place (name of child)]\*.

The adoption agency has determined that the agreement of a parent to [adoption application under section 16] [freeing application under section 18]\* of the Adoption (Scotland) Act 1978 is [likely] [unlikely]\* to be forthcoming.

**REASONS REFERRED TO**

(insert reasons)

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(officer of adoption agency)  
(place and date)

\*Delete as appropriate