

SCHEDULE 5

MEMORANDUM

FREEING OF CHILDREN FOR ADOPTION

1. If the court makes an order (called a “freeing order”):
 - your responsibilities and rights as a parent or guardian will be transferred to the adoption agency;
 - the adoption agency will then proceed to make arrangements for the child to be placed for adoption as quickly as possible;
 - you will no longer be required to contribute financially to the upkeep of your child;
 - the person wishing to adopt your child will apply to the court in due course and the court, if on investigation considers that this is in your child’s best interests, will make an adoption order without being required to consult you first.