

SCHEDULE 7

Regulation 14(1)(d)

ANNEX BPARENT'S AGREEMENT IN RESPECT OF AN APPLICATION TO FREE A CHILD FOR ADOPTION

I

\_\_\_\_\_

living at

\_\_\_\_\_

am the mother/father of

\_\_\_\_\_

who was born on

\_\_\_\_\_

**\*A.** Agree to my child being the subject of an application under section 18 of the Adoption (Scotland) Act 1978 to have him freed for adoption and for his placement with adopters. I understand that:

- (a) my child will go to live with adopters before the freeing application is made if that is in his interests;
- (b) as a consequence of giving any agreement, I will not be entitled to remove my child from the adopters without the permission of the adoption agency or the court; and
- (c) when the court considers the freeing application, it will seek my agreement to the making of the freeing order.

**\*B.** Do not agree to my child being the subject of an application under section 18 of the Adoption (Scotland) Act 1978 to have him freed for adoption. I understand that:

- (a) should the adoption agency wish to continue with their plan to have my child adopted, they must make a freeing application to the court within set timescales (unless an adoption application has already been made) to have the matter determined;
- (b) in the event of an application for an adoption or freeing order being made, the court will seek my agreement to the making of the order.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Delete as appropriate.

**NOTE:**

You should delete either A or B and sign both copies of this form. You should keep one of them yourself in a safe place, and the other one will be kept by the agency. If you change your mind and decide against adoption, you should tell your social worker and your solicitor immediately. Once your child has gone to live with adopters the length of time she or he lives with them may influence the court's decision as to whether it is in your child's best interests to stay there. If you have not already consulted a solicitor you are advised to do so. You should show this document to your solicitor and anyone else advising you.