

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 20(5)

CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY AND APPROVAL

To the Central Authority of the State of origin

Re [name of applicant]

In accordance with Article 5 of the Convention, I hereby certify on behalf of the Central Authority for Scotland that..... [name of applicant] has been counselled as necessary, is eligible to adopt and has been assessed and approved as suitable to adopt a child from [State of origin] by [a local authority in Scotland or an accredited body for the purpose of the Convention].

The attached report has been prepared in accordance with Article 15 of the Convention for presentation to the competent authority in [State of origin].

This certificate of eligibility and approval and the report under Article 15 of the Convention are provided on the condition that a Convention adoption or Convention adoption order will not be made until the agreement under Article 17(c) of the Convention has been made.

I confirm on behalf of the Central Authority that, following the agreement under Article 17(c) of the Convention, the child [name] will be authorised to enter and reside permanently in the United Kingdom if–

- (i) the requirements specified in section 1(5A) of the British Nationality Act 1981 are met, or
- (ii) entry clearance and leave to enter and remain, as may be necessary, is granted and not revoked or curtailed and a Convention adoption order or Convention adoption is made.

Signed

On behalf of the Scottish Ministers

Central Authority for Scotland