

*These notes refer to the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act
1999 (c.18) which received Royal Assent on 27 July 1999*

ADOPTION (INTERCOUNTRY ASPECTS) ACT 1999

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Intercountry adoptions – sections 9 to 13

Section 9. Adoption Service to include intercountry adoptions etc.

49. **Section 9** provides for a new subsection (3A) to be added to section 1 of the 1976 and 1978 Acts (establishment of Adoption Service) to clarify that the description of the adoption service includes the adoption of children wherever they may be habitually resident and effected under the law of any country or territory. This amendment makes clear that the adoption service is a comprehensive service which is intended to include both domestic and intercountry adoption.