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**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS,
ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act 1999
(Commencement No. 1) Order 2000**

Made - - - - - 10th January 2000

The Secretary of State for Health, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 18(3) of the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act 1999(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act 1999 (Commencement No. 1) Order 2000.

(2) In this Order “the Act” means the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act 1999.

Appointed day

2. 31st January 2000 is the day appointed for the coming into force of section 13 (construction of certain references in 1976 and 1978 Acts) of the Act in so far as it inserts a new subsection (3A) after subsection (3) of section 72 of the Adoption Act 1976(b).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Health

10th January 2000

John Hutton
Minister of State,
Department of Health

(a) 1999 c. 18. The power of the Secretary of State under section 18(3) to appoint a day for the coming into force any of the provisions of the Act is by virtue of section 16(1) exercisable only after consultation with the National Assembly for Wales. In relation to Scotland, the power is exercisable by a member of the Scottish Executive by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46).

(b) 1976 c. 36.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force on 31st January 2000 section 13 of the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act 1999 in so far as it inserts a new subsection (3A) into section 72 of the Adoption Act 1976. Section 72(3) interprets making arrangements for the adoption of a child for the purposes of the 1976 Act and subsection (3A) provides that making arrangements for adoption includes arrangements for an assessment for the purpose of indicating whether or not a person is suitable to adopt a child.

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