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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2003 No. 367**

**The Voluntary Adoption Agencies and the Adoption Agencies (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2003**

**PART I**  
**GENERAL**

**Statement of purpose**

**3.—**(1) The registered provider and the manager shall compile in relation to the agency a written statement (in these Regulations referred to as “the statement of purpose”) which shall consist of a statement as to the matters listed in Schedule 1.

(2) The registered provider and the manager shall provide a copy of the statement of purpose to the registration authority and—

- (a) if the registration authority is the Commission and the agency has a branch in Wales, to the Assembly;
- (b) if the registration authority is the Assembly and the agency has a branch in England, to the Commission.

(3) The registered provider and the manager shall make a copy of the statement of purpose available, upon request, for inspection by—

- (a) any person working for the purposes of the agency;
- (b) children who may be adopted, their parents and guardians;
- (c) persons wishing to adopt a child;
- (d) adopted persons, their parents, natural parents and former guardians;
- (e) any local authority.

(4) Subject to paragraph (5), the registered provider and the manager shall ensure that the agency is at all times conducted in a manner which is consistent with its statement of purpose.

(5) Nothing in paragraph (4) shall require or authorise the registered provider, the manager or the branch manager (if any), to contravene, or not comply with—

- (a) any other provision of these Regulations;
- (b) any conditions for the time being in force in relation to the registration of the registered provider under Part II of the Act.