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The Secretary
Standing Committee on Family and Human Services
Inquiry into Adoption of Children from Overseas

Dear Sir/Madam,

Our daughter and son-in-law have recently been allocated two precious daughters from Taiwan. We must now wait many weeks before our dear granddaughters are allowed entry into Australia. We believe other countries allow their adoptive parents to bring their infants home after the Initial Decree has been granted. We believe it would be most beneficial for both infants and parents (and grandparents) to bond at this earlier stage. It would be less traumatic for the foster carers as well. Please consider altering Australian Policy to reflect what is most beneficial for those who are directly affected by this policy.

Yours sincerely,

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