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From:Tim BennettSent:Thursday, 5 May 2005 5:17 PMTo:Committee, FHS (REPS)Cc:Pippa EvansSubject:Inquiry into Children Adopted from Overseas

My wife and I are currently adopting from Taiwan. We believe the current system means allocated children remain separated from their new parents for far too long, making the important bonding process with his/her new parents longer.

We would like to see the child adopted from Taiwan being able to travel HOME after the Initial Decree has been granted.

The adoption process altogether is too long and the best interest of the child are clearly not being considered paramount under the current system.

Thank you for your help in this matter

Tim and Catherine Bennett