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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2009 No. 267**

**The Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act  
2007 (Commencement No. 4, Transitional  
and Savings Provisions) Order 2009**

**PART I  
GENERAL**

**Citation and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 (Commencement No. 4, Transitional and Savings Provisions) Order 2009.

(2) In this Order—

“the Act” means the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007;

“the 1978 Act” means the Adoption (Scotland) Act 1978(1);

“the 1995 Act” means the Children (Scotland) Act 1995(2);

“the Agencies Regulations 1996” means the Adoption Agencies (Scotland) Regulations 1996(3);

“the Agencies Regulations 2009” means the Adoption Agencies (Scotland) Regulations 2009(4);

“the appointed day” means 28th September 2009;

“the Foreign Element Regulations” means the Adoptions with a Foreign Element (Scotland) Regulations 2009(5);

“freeing order” means an order granted under section 18(6) of the 1978 Act or varied under section 21(7) of that Act;

“the Hague Convention Regulations” means the Intercountry Adoption (Hague Convention) (Scotland) Regulations 2003(8);

“the Overseas Adoption Regulations” means the Adoption of Children from Overseas (Scotland) Regulations 2001(9);

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(1) 1978 c.28.

(2) 1995 c.36.

(3) S.I. 1996/3266 as amended by S.I. 2002/3135, S.S.I. 2003/242 and S.S.I. 2005/517. These instruments are made under the 1978 Act and will be revoked on the appointed day.

(4) S.S.I. 2009/154.

(5) S.S.I. 2009/182.

(6) Section 18 was amended by section 88 of, and Schedule 10 to, the Children Act 1989 c.41 and by section 98(1) of, and Schedule 2 to, the 1995 Act.

(7) Section 21 was amended by section 98(1) of, and Schedule 2 to, the 1995 Act.

(8) S.S.I. 2003/19 as amended by S.S.I. 2005/517. S.S.I. 2003/19 will be revoked on the appointed day by S.S.I. 2009/182.

(9) S.S.I. 2001/236.

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“parental responsibilities order” has the meaning given by section 86 of the 1995 Act<sup>(10)</sup>;

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<sup>(10)</sup> Section 86 of the 1995 Act is repealed by section 120(2) of, and schedule 3 to, the Act.