

2002 No. 22 (C. 1)

HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES

**The Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act (Northern Ireland)
2001 (Commencement No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 2002**

Made 28th January 2002

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety^(a), in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 16(2) of the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act (Northern Ireland) 2001^(b) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (Commencement No. 2) Order 2002.

(2) In this Order:

“the Act” means the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act (Northern Ireland) 2001.

Appointed day

2. The 1st February 2002 is the day appointed for the coming into operation of the following sections of the Act:

(a) section 12 (Restriction on bringing children into the United Kingdom for adoption); and

(b) section 14(1)(b) in so far as it relates to Article 58ZA.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety on 28th January 2002.

(L.S.)

P. Simpson
Senior Officer of the Department of
Health, Social Services and Public Safety

^(a) See S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1) Article 3(6)

^(b) 2001 c. 11 (N.I.)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order brings into operation on 1st February 2002 Section 12 and Section 14(1)(b) (partially) of the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act (Northern Ireland) 2001.

Section 12 inserts into the Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987 Article 58ZA which makes it an offence in Northern Ireland for anyone habitually resident in the British Islands other than a parent, relative or guardian to bring a child into the United Kingdom unless they meet the requirements prescribed in Regulations.

Section 14(1)(b) inserts into the definition of “prescribed” in the Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987 a reference to Article 58ZA.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

(This Note is not part of the Order)

Sections 7 and 11 of the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 were brought into operation by the Adoption (Intercountry Aspects) Act (Northern Ireland) 2001 (Commencement No. 1) Order (Northern Ireland) 2001 (S.R. 2001 No. 322 (C. 15)) on 1st October 2001.