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SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2021 No. 30**

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS**

The Special Restrictions on Adoptions  
from Nigeria (Scotland) Order 2021

*Made* - - - - 20th January 2021  
*Laid before the Scottish  
Parliament* - - - - 22nd January 2021  
*Coming into force* - - 12th March 2021

The Scottish Ministers make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 62(3) of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007<sup>(1)</sup> and all other powers enabling them to do so.

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Special Restrictions on Adoptions from Nigeria (Scotland) Order 2021 and comes into force on 12 March 2021.

**Declaration of special restrictions**

2. Special restrictions<sup>(2)</sup> apply in relation to the bringing of children into the United Kingdom from Nigeria in the cases mentioned in section 62(2) of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007.

St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh  
20th January 2021

*MAREE TODD*  
Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

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(1) 2007 asp 4.

(2) "Special restrictions" are defined in section 64(1) of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007.

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order applies the special restrictions which are set out in section 64(1) of the Adoption and Children (Scotland) Act 2007 (“the Act”) in relation to the adoption of children from Nigeria. As a result, the Scottish Ministers will not be permitted to take any steps to further the bringing of children into the United Kingdom from Nigeria for the purposes of adoption, unless they are satisfied that they should do so under section 64(2) of the Act.