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IRELAND**

**The Special Restrictions on Adoptions from Abroad (Ethiopia)
Order 2018**

<i>Made</i> - - - -	<i>18th April 2018</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>	<i>27th April 2018</i>
<i>Coming into force</i> - -	<i>21st May 2018</i>

The Secretary of State for Education makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 9(4) of the Children and Adoption Act 2006(a).

In accordance with section 9(5)(a) of that Act, the Secretary of State has consulted with Welsh Ministers(b) and, in accordance with section 9(5)(b) of that Act, the Secretary of State has consulted with the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety in Northern Ireland.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Special Restrictions on Adoptions from Abroad (Ethiopia) Order 2018 and comes into force on 21st May 2018.

Declaration of special restrictions

2. Special restrictions are to apply for the time being in relation to the bringing of children into the United Kingdom from Ethiopia in the cases mentioned in section 9(2) of the Children and Adoption Act 2006.

18th April 2018

Nadhim Zahawi
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Education

(a) 2006 c.20.

(b) By virtue of section 9(5)(a), the Secretary of State must consult with the National Assembly for Wales before making any Order under section 9(4). The functions of the National Assembly for Wales were transferred to the Welsh Ministers by virtue of section 162 of, and paragraph 30 and 32 of Schedule 11 to, the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c.32).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Section 9(4) of the Children and Adoption Act 2006 provides for the Secretary of State by order to declare that special restrictions are to apply for the time being to the bringing of children into the United Kingdom from a country or territory outside the British Islands in certain cases involving adoption.

Section 11(1) of that Act provides that those special restrictions are that the appropriate authority is not to take any step, which might otherwise have been taken, in connection with furthering the bringing of children into the United Kingdom in those cases. Section 11(2) provides that the relevant steps may be taken if the prospective adopters satisfy the appropriate authority (defined in section 11(4)) that the authority should take those steps despite the special restrictions.

By article 2 of this Order, the Secretary of State declares that special restrictions are to apply to Ethiopia.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.

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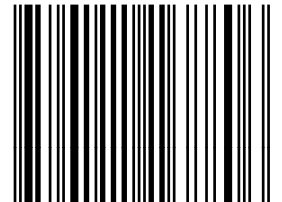
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