

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES**

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March 1, 2005

CSS LETTER: 05-06

ALL IV-D DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS  
ALL BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL RECIPROCATING NATIONS

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the federal Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) issued Dear Colleague Letter (DCL) 04-46 to announce four new federal level international reciprocity agreements on child support. Switzerland and the Canadian Provinces of New Brunswick, Northwest Territories and Nunavut have been declared "foreign reciprocating countries" (FRCs) for child support enforcement purposes.

Pursuant to these agreements, the local child support agencies (LCSAs) are required to accept requests for services from these foreign jurisdictions and to provide the same services that are provided with other interstate requests. Outgoing requests for child support services are to be sent to the FRCs' respective Central Authorities. Attached is a list with the addresses, phone and facsimile numbers for these additional reciprocating Central Authorities. Please be advised that any future changes to this information, as well as current contact information on all the Central Authorities, may be accessed on the OCSE online Intergovernmental Referral Guide at: <http://ocse3.acf.dhhs.gov/ext/irg/sps/selectastate.cfm>.

Also, OCSE offers international child support resources through the following website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cse/international/index.html>.

In addition, general information on international child support enforcement is provided by the Department of State, in cooperation with OCSE, at the following website: [http://travel.state.gov/law/info/info\\_608.html](http://travel.state.gov/law/info/info_608.html).

Additional information regarding forms, policy and procedural matters for Switzerland and other FRCs will be made available in the future.

Reason for this Transmittal

- State Law or Regulation Change
- Federal Law or Regulation Change
- Court Order or Settlement Change
- Clarification requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by DCSS

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Dear Colleague Letter 04-46 is available at the following OCSE website:

<http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/cse/pol/DCL/2004/dcl-04-46.htm>.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Tonya Crawford-Corage, Chief of the Financial Management and Interstate Section at (916) 464-5055.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sandra Poole". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S" and "P".

SANDRA O. POOLE

Deputy Director

Child Support Services Division

Attachment

## **ADDITIONAL RECIPROCATING CENTRAL AUTHORITIES**

### **SWITZERLAND**

Federal Office of Justice  
Section for Private International Law  
Central Authority for Maintenance Matters  
Bundesrain 20  
3003 Bern  
Switzerland  
Telephone: 00 41 31 322 4345  
Fax: 00 41 31 322 4279

### **NORTHWEST TERRITORIES**

Maintenance Enforcement Program  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Panda II Mall  
Box 1770  
Yellowknife, N.W.T. X1A 2P3  
Telephone: (867) 920-3378  
Fax: (867) 873-0106

### **NUNAVUT**

Nunavut Court of Justice  
P.O. Box 297  
Iqaluit, Nunavut X0A 0H0  
Telephone: (867) 975-6137  
Fax: (867) 975-6168

### **NEW BRUNSWICK**

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Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5H1  
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