9 FAM 42.21 EXHIBIT VIII "ARTICLE 5" LETTER FOR CONVENTION ADOPTIONS

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"Article 5" Letter

[date]

[Central Authority of Country of Origin

Address ...]

To [name of COO CA]:

Subject: [Name of Child], born [Date and place of Birth of Child], to be adopted by [Name of prospective adoptive parents]

The United States Central Authority is pleased to confirm that, in accordance with Article 5 of The Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption (Convention), and, based on information currently available, U.S. competent authorities have determined that [prospective adoptive parent(s)' names] are eligible and suited to adopt; have ensured that they have been counseled as may be necessary; and have determined that [child's name] will be authorized to enter and reside permanently in the United States following [adoption by/the grant of legal custody to] [prospective adoptive parents names] and their presentation of required documentation.

Pursuant to Article 17 of the Convention, the United States Central Authority hereby agrees that [the adoption of [child's name] by [PAP(s)' name(s)] may proceed] **OR** [the grant of legal custody of [child's name] to [PAP(s)' name(s)] may proceed.]

(seal) Signature

Name

Title