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### Kazakhstan New Family and Marriage Code Signed into Law

U.S. Mission Kazakhstan has reported that President Nazarbayev signed into law the new Family and Marriage Code on December 26, 2011. The Ministry of Education now awaits government approval of its new policies to accredit agencies and process adoptions.

The Department will post information on the new accreditation process and the new adoption procedures on [www.adoption.state.gov](http://www.adoption.state.gov) as soon as we receive it, and will confirm when the new Hague Convention adoption process is in place in Kazakhstan.