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## Alert: Kyrgyzstan Adoption

In October 2008, the previous government of Kyrgyzstan halted all intercountry adoptions in response to allegations of corruption and illegal processing. The new government has not yet implemented a new processing system, and at this time it is not possible for new intercountry adoption cases to move forward.

The Department of State continues to reach out to the Kyrgyzstan government in an effort to seek a resolution for US citizen prospective adoptive families who were in various stages of the process prior to adoptions being suspended.

A draft Law amending the Family Code to enable the government of Kyrgyzstan to establish new adoption regulations has passed its 2nd and 3rd readings in the Kyrgyz Parliament. President Otunbaeva signed the Law on May 6, 2011 and tasked the Government to bring legislation into conformity with this new Law within 3 months.

At this time, we are unable to estimate when new adoptions from Kyrgyzstan may resume. Updated information will be provided on [cadoptio.n.state.gov](#) as it becomes available.