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Alert: Suspension of Adoption Cases from Kid's Care Orphanage

The Ministry of Women, Children, and Youth Affairs informed the U.S. Embassy in Addis Ababa that the Ministry has temporarily suspended all adoption cases involving children currently in the care of Kid's Care orphanage. This suspension applies to new and pending cases. While court hearings may continue, the suspension may prevent a final decision from the Federal First Instance Court, or a final decree from the Ministry, from being issued. The Ministry indicated that this temporary suspension will remain in place while the Ministry reviews reported concerns regarding the orphanage and actions taken to address the reported situation.

The Department will post further information regarding this matter as it becomes available on adoption.state.gov.