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Adoption Service Plan: Bulgaria

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Step in the Adoption Process	Service Being Provided	Who's Providing the Service
Home Study	Performing the home study on the adoptive family and reporting on such a study	An accredited home study provider in your state of residence approved by MLJ
Education	Adoption preparation education	Creating a Family & MLJ Adoptions
Identifying a Child in Need of a Family	Identifying a child for adoption and arranging an adoption	Ministry of Justice
Parental Rights of Child are Terminated	Ensuring the legal consent to termination of parental rights and to adoption/guardianship	Ministry of Justice
Referral Information on Child is Received	Determination of the best interest of the child and appropriateness of the adoptive placement	Ministry of Justice
Child Placed with Family, but Adoption is Not Yet Finalized*	Monitoring the case after the child has been placed with the family until final adoption.	This service is not applicable because the adoption is finalized in Bulgaria prior to the child(ren)'s arrival.
Family Decides Not to Move Forward With Adoption after being Matched with Child*	Assuming custody and providing social services to the child if the placement disrupts before the adoption becomes final	Social Assistance Directorate in region where the child is located
Ensuring that the process of adoption is in full accordance with both foreign law and proper ethical standards.	<i>Ensuring that the process of adoption is in full accordance with both foreign law and proper ethical standards.</i>	

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Home Study	Performing the home study on the adoptive family and reporting on such a study.	An accredited home study provider in your state of residence approved by MLJ
Education	Adoption preparation education.	National Council for Adoption, Creating a Family, & MLJ Adoptions
Identifying a Child in Need of a Family	Identifying a child for adoption and arranging an adoption.	Office of Placements and Adoptions at the Ministry of Social Affairs and National Solidarity
Parental Rights of Child are Terminated	Ensuring the legal consent to termination of parental rights and to adoption/guardianship.	Office of Placements and Adoptions at the Ministry of Social Affairs and National Solidarity
Referral Information on Child is Received	Performing the background study on the child and reporting on such a study.	Office of Placements and Adoptions at the Ministry of Social Affairs and National Solidarity
Child Placed with Family, but Adoption is Not Yet Finalized*	Monitoring the case after the child has been placed with the family until final adoption.	This service is not applicable because the adoption is finalized in Burkina Faso prior to the child(ren)'s arrival.
Family Decides Not to Move Forward with Adoption after being Matched with Child*	Assuming custody and providing social services to the child if the placement disrupts before the adoption becomes final.	Office of Placements and Adoptions at the Ministry of Social Affairs and National Solidarity
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Home Study	Performing the home study on the adoptive family and reporting on such a study.	An accredited home study provider in your state of residence approved by MLJ
Education	Adoption preparation education.	National Council for Adoption, Creating a Family, & MLJ Adoptions
Identifying a Child in Need of a Family	Identifying a child for adoption and arranging an adoption.	Institut du Bien Etre Social et de Recherches (IBESR)
Parental Rights of Child are Terminated	Ensuring the legal consent to termination of parental rights and to adoption/guardianship.	Institut du Bien Etre Social et de Recherches (IBESR)
Referral Information on Child is Received	Performing the background study on the child and reporting on such a study.	Institut du Bien Etre Social et de Recherches (IBESR)
Child Placed with Family, but Adoption is Not Yet Finalized*	Monitoring the case after the child has been placed with the family until final adoption.	This service is not applicable because the adoption is finalized in Haiti prior to the child(ren)'s arrival.
Family Decides Not to Move Forward With Adoption after being Matched with Child*	Assuming custody and providing social services to the child if the placement disrupts before the adoption becomes final.	Institut du Bien Etre Social et de Recherches (IBESR)
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Adoption Service Plan: ICP Primary Provider Service Countries

Families adopting from a non-program country, using MLJ Adoptions to provide primary provider services, will have individualized Adoption Service Plans sent to them at the time the country they wish to adopt from is identified. Because Service Plans and who provides those services to families depends entirely on the country you are adopting from, providing a complete Service Plan to families prior to knowing the country, is not possible. Below is a sample of what families can expect to receive.

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Home Study	Performing the home study on the adoptive family and reporting on such a study.	The adopting parent(s') home study provider shall be a Hague accredited adoption service provider. Adoptive parent(s') selection of the Hague accredited adoption service provider will be approved by MLJ Adoptions. MLJ will coordinate with _____ for review of the home study to screen that it complies in all respects with the requirements of both U.S. and foreign law and regulations.*
Education	Adoption preparation education.	To be provided by MLJ in conjunction with Creating a Family.
Identifying a Child in Need of a Family	Identifying a child for adoption, child background study, & arranging the adoption	Dependent on the Country
Parental Rights of Child are Terminated	Ensuring the legal consent to termination of parental rights and to adoption/guardianship.	Dependent on the Country
Referral Information on Child is Received	Performing the background study on the child and reporting on such a study.	Dependent on the Country
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<p>Ensuring that the process of adoption is in full accordance with both foreign law and proper ethical standards.</p>	<p><i>Ensuring that the process of adoption is in full accordance with both foreign law and proper ethical standards.</i></p>	<p>A licensed attorney in the country</p>

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Home Study	Performing the home study on the adoptive family and reporting on such a study.	An accredited home study provider in your state of residence approved by MLJ
Education	Adoption preparation education.	National Council for Adoption, Creating a Family, & MLJ Adoptions
Identifying a Child in Need of a Family	Identifying a child for adoption and arranging an adoption.	National DIF
Parental Rights of Child are Terminated	Ensuring the legal consent to termination of parental rights and to adoption/guardianship.	State DIF Department of Child Services
Referral Information on Child is Received	Performing the background study on the child and reporting on such a study.	State DIF Department of Child Services
Child Placed with Family, but Adoption is Not Yet Finalized*	Monitoring the case after the child has been placed with the family until final adoption.	This service is not applicable because the adoption is finalized in Mexico prior to the child(ren)'s arrival.
Family Decides Not to Move Forward with Adoption after being Matched with Child*	Assuming custody and providing social services to the child if the placement disrupts before the adoption becomes final.	State DIF Department of Child Services
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Home Study	Performing the home study on the adoptive family and reporting on such a study.	An accredited home study provider in your state of residence approved by MLJ
Education	Adoption preparation education.	National Council for Adoption, Creating a Family, & MLJ Adoptions
Identifying a Child in Need of a Family	Identifying a child for adoption and arranging an adoption.	Mi Familia
Parental Rights of Child are Terminated	Ensuring the legal consent to termination of parental rights and to adoption/guardianship.	Mi Familia
Referral Information on Child is Received	Performing the background study on the child and reporting on such a study.	Mi Familia
Child Placed with Family, but Adoption is Not Yet Finalized*	Monitoring the case after the child has been placed with the family until final adoption.	This service is not applicable because the adoption is finalized in Nicaragua prior to the child(ren)'s arrival.
Family Decides Not to Move Forward with Adoption after being Matched with Child*	Assuming custody and providing social services to the child if the placement disrupts before the adoption becomes final.	Mi Familia
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Home Study	Performing the home study on the adoptive family and reporting on such a study.	An accredited home study provider in your state of residence approved by MLJ
Education	Adoption preparation education.	National Council for Adoption, Creating a Family, & MLJ Adoptions
Identifying a Child in Need of a Family	Identifying a child for adoption and arranging an adoption.	Sarona Ponifasio, attorney at law, in collaboration with Samoa Victim Support Group (SVSG)
Parental Rights of Child are Terminated	Ensuring the legal consent to termination of parental rights and to adoption/guardianship.	Sarona Ponifasio, attorney at law obtains the legal consents of biological parents and the Samoa Courts terminate parental rights.
Referral Information on Child is Received	Performing the background study on the child and reporting on such a study.	Attorney General & Solomona Consultants
Child Placed with Family, but Adoption is Not Yet Finalized*	Monitoring the case after the child has been placed with the family until final adoption.	This service is not applicable because the adoption is finalized in Samoa prior to the child(ren)'s arrival.
Family Decides Not to Move Forward with Adoption after being Matched with Child*	Assuming custody and providing social services to the child if the placement disrupts before the adoption becomes final	Samoa Victim Support Group (SVSG)
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Home Study	Performing the home study on the adoptive family and reporting on such a study	An accredited home study provider in your state of residence approved by MLJ
Education	Adoption preparation education	Creating a Family & MLJ Adoptions International
Identifying a Child in Need of a Family	Identifying a child for adoption and arranging an adoption	Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine, Department for Adoptions and Protection of Rights of the Child
Parental Rights of Child are Terminated	Ensuring the legal consent to termination of parental rights and to adoption/guardianship	Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine, Department for Adoptions and Protection of Rights of the Child
Referral Information on Child is Received	Determination of the best interest of the child and appropriateness of the adoptive placement	Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine, Department for Adoptions and Protection of Rights of the Child
Child Placed with Family, but Adoption is Not Yet Finalized*	Monitoring the case after the child has been placed with the family until final adoption.	This service is not applicable because the adoption is finalized in Ukraine prior to the child(ren)'s arrival.
Family Decides Not to Move Forward With Adoption after being Matched with Child*	Assuming custody and providing social services to the child if the placement disrupts before the adoption becomes final	Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine, Department for Adoptions and Protection of Rights of the Child



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