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Teleconference Invitation

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Russian Adoptions Engagement

Thursday, October 18, 2012 @ 1:00 pm (Eastern)

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the Department of State (State) invite interested parties to participate in a stakeholder engagement concerning the U.S.-Russian Adoption Agreement, which will enter into force on Thursday, November 1, 2012. The engagement will take place on **Thursday, October 18, 2012, from 1:00– 2:00 pm (Eastern)**. USCIS and State subject matter experts will provide information regarding:

- The provisions of the Agreement;
- How the Agreement will affect processing going forward;
- Which provisions of the Agreement will take effect immediately and which will take effect later; and
- The transition plan for cases already in progress as of entry into force.

We are pleased that the Agreement will soon enter into force and believe that its provisions will improve the process of intercountry adoptions between the United States and Russia. Adoption processing will continue uninterrupted as we make the transition, so we encourage your participation in this informational teleconference to explain how implementation of the Agreement will unfold.

Answers to your frequently asked questions about the U.S.-Russian Adoption Agreement can be found by clicking here.

To Participate in the Session

Please email the Public Engagement Division no later than **Wednesday, October 17, 2012** at Public.Engagement@uscis.dhs.gov and reference "Russian Adoptions" in the subject line of your email.

To Join the Session

On the day of the engagement please use the information below to join the session by phone. We recommend calling in 10 minutes before the start of the teleconference.

Toll Free Call-In Number: 1-888-810-5902

Toll Number for Outside the U.S.: 1-210-234-0042

Passcode: Adoption

We look forward to engaging with you!

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