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# Family Law (Child Abduction **Convention)** Amendment Regulations 2003 (No. / )<sup>1</sup>

Statutory Rules 2003 No.  $2^{2}$ 

I, PHILIP MICHAEL JEFFERY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following Regulations under the Family Law Act 1975.

18 DEC 2003 Dated 2003

> **PM** Jeffery Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

PHILIP RUDDOCK Attorney-General

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#### 1 Name of Regulations

These Regulations are the Family Law (Child Abduction Convention) Amendment Regulations 2003 (No./).

#### 2 Commencement

These Regulations commence on gazettal.

#### 3 Amendment of Family Law (Child Abduction Convention) Regulations 1986

Schedule 1 amends the Family Law (Child Abduction Convention) Regulations 1986.

## Schedule 1 Amendments

(regulation 3)

#### [1] Regulation 10

substitute

#### 10 Convention countries

Subject to Article 40 of the Convention, each of the following countries is a convention country:

- (a) a country specified in Schedule 2, being a country:
  - (i) as between Australia and which the Convention entered into force on the date specified in column 2 in relation to that country; and
  - (ii) that has acceded to the Convention with reservations in accordance with Article 42 of the Convention in respect of any provisions specified in column 3 in relation to that country;
- (b) any other country in respect of which the Convention has entered into force for Australia.

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### [2] Schedule 2

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## Schedule 2 Convention countries

(regulation 10)

| Country  | Date             | Provision(s)                                     |
|--|------------------|--|
| Argentina  | 1 June 1991      |  |
| Austria  | 1 October 1988   |  |
| Bahamas  | 1 September 1994 |  |
| Belarus  | 1 November 1998  | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Belgium  | 1 May 1999       |  |
| Belize   | 1 March 1990     | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina   | 1 December 1991  |  |
| Brazil   | 1 May 2001       | Article 24                                       |
| Burkina Faso   | 1 April 1993     |  |
| Canada:  |                  |  |
| <ul><li>(a) all Provinces and Territories<br/>not mentioned in paragraphs</li><li>(b) to (f)</li></ul> | 1 January 1987   | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| (b) Alberta  | 1 February 1987  | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| (c) Manitoba   | 1 January 1987   |  |
| (d) Northwest Territories  | l April 1988     | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| (e) Nunavut  | 1 January 2001   | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| (f) Quebec   | 1 January 1987   | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Chile  | 1 November 1994  |  |

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| Country   | Date             | Provision(s)                                     |
|---|------------------|--|
| China — in relation only to the following Special Administrative Regions: |                  |  |
| (a) Hong Kong   | 1 September 1997 | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| (b) Macau   | 1 March 1999     |  |
| Colombia  | 1 December 1997  |  |
| Costa Rica  | 1 May 2000       |  |
| Croatia   | 1 December 1991  |  |
| Cyprus  | 1 November 1995  |  |
| Czech Republic  | 1 March 1998     | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Denmark   | 1 July 1991      | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Ecuador   | 1 April 1993     |  |
| El Salvador   | 1 January 2003   | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Estonia   | 1 January 2003   | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Fiji  | 1 May 2000       |  |
| Finland   | 1 August 1994    | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| France — the whole of the territory of the French Republic                | l January 1987   | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Georgia   | 1 January 1998   |  |
| Germany   | 1 December 1990  | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Greece  | 1 June 1993      | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |

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| Country     | Date             | Provision(s)                                     |
|-------------|------------------|--|
| Honduras    | 1 September 1994 | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Hungary     | 1 March 1988     |  |
| Iceland     | 1 December 1997  | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Ireland     | 1 October 1991   |  |
| Israel      | 1 December 1991  | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Italy       | 1 May 1995       |  |
| Latvia      | 1 January 2003   | Article 24                                       |
| Luxembourg  | 1 January 1987   | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Malta       | 1 May 2001       |  |
| Mauritius   | 1 January 1994   | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Mexico      | 1 June 1992      |  |
| Moldova     | 1 November 1998  | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Monaco      | 1 January 1994   | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Netherlands | 1 September 1990 | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| New Zealand | 1 June 1992      | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Norway      | 1 April 1989     | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Panama      | 1 September 1994 | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Paraguay    | 1 April 1999     |  |
| Peru        | 1 January 2003   |  |

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| Country  | Date            | Provision(s)                                     |
|--|-----------------|--|
| Poland   | 1 January 1994  | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Portugal   | J January 1987  |  |
| Romania  | 1 January 1994  |  |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis  | 1 November 1995 | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Serbia and Montenegro  | 1 December 1991 |  |
| Slovakia   | 1 February 2001 | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Slovenia   | 1 November 1994 |  |
| South Africa   | 1 January 1998  | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Spain  | 1 October 1987  |  |
| Sri Lanka  | 1 January 2003  | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Sweden   | 1 June 1989     | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Switzerland  | 1 January 1987  |  |
| The former Yugoslav Republic of<br>Macedonia   | 1 December 1991 |  |
| Trinidad and Tobago  | 1 May 2001      |  |
| Turkey   | 1 August 2000   | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Turkmenistan   | 1 November 1998 |  |
| United Kingdom of Great Britain and<br>Northern Ireland —<br>extended to include the following<br>territories: | 1 January 1987  | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| (a) Bermuda  | 1 March 1999    | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| (b) Cayman Islands   | 1 August 1988   | Article 26, third paragraph                      |

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| Country                  | Date             | Provision(s)                                     |
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| (c) Falkland Islands     | 1 June 1998      | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| (d) Isle of Man          | 1 September 1991 | Article 26, third<br>paragraph                   |
| (e) Montserrat           | 1 March 1999     | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| United States of America | 1 July 1988      | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Uruguay                  | 1 May 2001       |  |
| Uzbekistan               | 1 May 2001       | Article 26, third paragraph                      |
| Venezuela                | 1 January 1997   | Article 24 and<br>Article 26, third<br>paragraph |
| Zimbabwe                 | 1 April 1996     | Article 26, third paragraph                      |

#### Notes

- 1. These Regulations amend Statutory Rules 1986 No. 85, as amended by 1989 No. 206; 1990 No. 37; 1992 Nos. 34 and 159; 1993 Nos. 263 and 358; 1994 Nos. 252, 275 and 344; 1995 Nos. 296 and 334; 1996 No. 74; 1997 Nos. 98, 292, 315 and 347; 1998 Nos. 59, 340 and 341; 1999 No. 222; 2000 Nos. 208 and 275; 2002 No. 110.
- 2. Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on

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