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Dear Mrs. Yayesh,

Abay, Association for the Development of Ethiopia, has heard about the new measure taken by the Ethiopian authorities regarding the adoption of children in Etiopía. To our knowledge, it is expected that the number of files processed per day will be reduced to a maximum of five adoptions.

Our association counts with a work group for adoption and acts as a representative of many associates and adoptive parents in Etiopía. Many of those parents have their adoption file still in process in Ethiopia. Unless you may have already considered the following question, we would like to submit the Ethiopian Authorities following proposal regarding the adoption of children with special needs for consideration.

It would be convenient that the Ethiopian authorities consider to exclude children with special needs from this new quota. We understand that requests for adoption of children with certain diseases are limited and in many cases waiting times in an orphanage could obstruct any treatment to be applied to these children once they are adopted or could provoke undesirable evolutions of the disease.

Otherwise, we propose that a register is created of children with special needs indicating the need of each child and that this register can be consulted by the adoption agencies.

Regardless whether the measure for reduction to a lower number of files processed gets into force, we are also of the opinión that it is convenient to prioritize all records of children with special needs.

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