



## U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Dear Parent(s):

United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is currently reviewing the records of all Haitian orphan children who were paroled into the United States after January 12, 2010, pursuant to the *Haitian Parole Program*. Our records currently show that:

- Your child was paroled into the United States after January 12, 2010, pursuant to the *Haitian Orphan Parole Program*, AND
- You did not complete a full and final adoption of the child in Haiti. (See the information sheet on the reverse side of this letter for an explanation of a full and final adoption)

Since you did not have a full and final adoption in Haiti, below are the current options available to obtain a permanent status for your child.

1. You can return to Haiti to obtain a full and final adoption then follow the procedures to immigrate your child as an orphan child, **OR**
2. You can legally adopt the child in the United States, where allowed under resident state laws, prior to the child's 16<sup>th</sup> birthday. (Or prior to the 18<sup>th</sup> birthday if adopted by the same adoptive parent of a natural sibling who qualifies/qualified as an orphan or adopted child while under the age of 16.) **AND**
  - a. The child must live in the legal and physical custody of the adoptive parent(s) for two (2) full years. (See the information sheet on the reverse side of this letter for an explanation of what qualifies as legal and physical custody)
  - b. Upon completion of the legal and physical custody the United States citizen adoptive parent submits the Forms I-130, *Petition for Alien Relative* and I-485, *Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status*, with fee.
  - c. After the child becomes a Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR) the United States citizen parent may then file Form N-600, *Application for Certificate of Citizenship*, with fee or apply for a United States passport for evidence of the child's United States citizenship.

Current pending legislation, if approved, could provide additional options at a later date. USCIS will publish information regarding any additional options on the USCIS website.

If you feel that our records are incorrect and you did obtain a full and final adoption of your child, please send an explanation as to how your Haiti adoption meets the "full and final adoption" requirements and a copy of your adoption decree with an English translation to [NBC.Adoptions@dhs.gov](mailto:NBC.Adoptions@dhs.gov).

Enclosed with this letter you will find additional information which should pertain to your case, and an explanation of the process USCIS followed in order to allow your child to be paroled into the United States. You may also visit the USCIS website for more information at [www.uscis.gov](http://www.uscis.gov).

