

L.N. 97 of 2010**INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION (CONTRACTING STATES) ORDER 2010**

(Made by the Secretary for Labour and Welfare under section 20D of the Adoption Ordinance (Cap. 290))

1. Contracting States

(1) For the purposes of section 20D of the Ordinance, it is declared that the Republic of Cape Verde and the Togolese Republic are Contracting States.

(2) The Convention (as defined by section 20A(1) of the Ordinance) came into effect—

- (a) between Hong Kong and the Republic of Cape Verde on 1 January 2010; and
- (b) between Hong Kong and the Togolese Republic on 1 February 2010.

2. Schedule amended

Part 1 of the Schedule to the Intercountry Adoption (Contracting States) Order (Cap. 290 sub. leg. C) is amended—

- (a) by adding—

“The Republic of Cape Verde	1 January 2010”
after	
“The Kingdom of Cambodia	1 August 2007”;
- (b) by adding—

“The Togolese Republic	1 February 2010”
after	
“The Kingdom of Thailand	25 January 2006”.

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Secretary for Labour and Welfare

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Explanatory Note

This Order declares that the Republic of Cape Verde and the Togolese Republic are Contracting States so that the Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in respect of Intercountry Adoption done at the Hague on 29 May 1993 applies to an adoption between Hong Kong and either of those two states in relation to an application made pursuant to that Convention.