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Concerning	Media attention for trafficking of Chinese children

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and our ref. when replying.  
Do not raise more than  
one subject per letter.

Dear Mr. Lu Ying,

I would like to draw your attention to the following.

On 8 October 2007 British Channel 4 broadcast a documentary entitled 'China's stolen children'.

I assume you are aware of the contents of this documentary.

While the documentary did not present a link with inter-country adoption, I am very concerned about the frequent reports on child trafficking in China. I know that my concerns are shared by many parents who have adopted children from China or who plan to do so, based on their insecurity that they may be confronted with a child given up for adoption involuntarily. The Dutch licensed institutions mediating in the adoption of children from China also recently voiced their concerns in a letter to me following said documentary. On 23 July of this year I wrote to you following information on child trafficking cases in China in which letter I asked you to inform me about any news on child trafficking cases in Hunan and Changsha, in particular in relation to adoptions to the Netherlands, as discussed during a visit by a delegation from the Dutch central authority in May 2006 to your centre. For your information, please find enclosed a copy of this letter.


In this letter I also asked you to inform me about any efforts made by China to prevent child trafficking in the light of (inter-country) adoption or to combat

it and which preventive measures are taken to ensure that children are not put up for inter-country adoption illegally, i.e. in contravention of international treaties.

I would very much like to receive a response from you.

Yours sincerely

The Minister of Justice,  
on his behalf,  
The Director of Judicial Youth Policy Division,



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