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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Ambassador Michael W. Marine

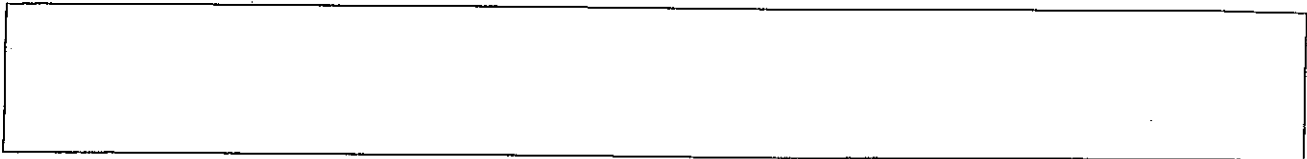
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**Date:** July 31, 2007

**Re:** Consular Activity Update – July 2007



**Adoptions**

- On July 9 and 10, we conducted a familiarization visit to Nam Dinh province due to concerns over a recent spike in adoptions from a specific orphanage located in that province. We met with representatives from the provincial DOJ, orphanages, maternity hospital, and medical stations as well as local residents as part of an effort to better understand the adoptions situation. The trip resulted in a report and cable.
- On July 20 and 21 we conducted 5 investigations in Thai Nguyen province,

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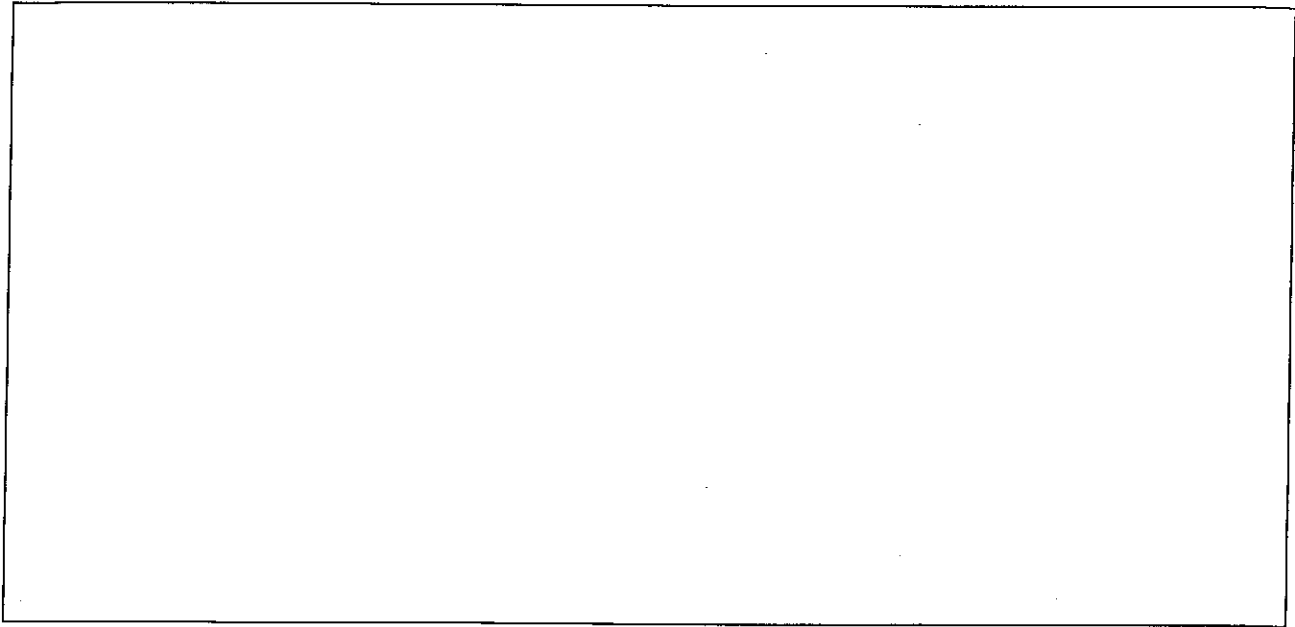
- On July 26 and 27 we conducted 2 investigations in Hanoi. One case revealed that false information was provided on a child relinquishment document at a local hospital.



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