

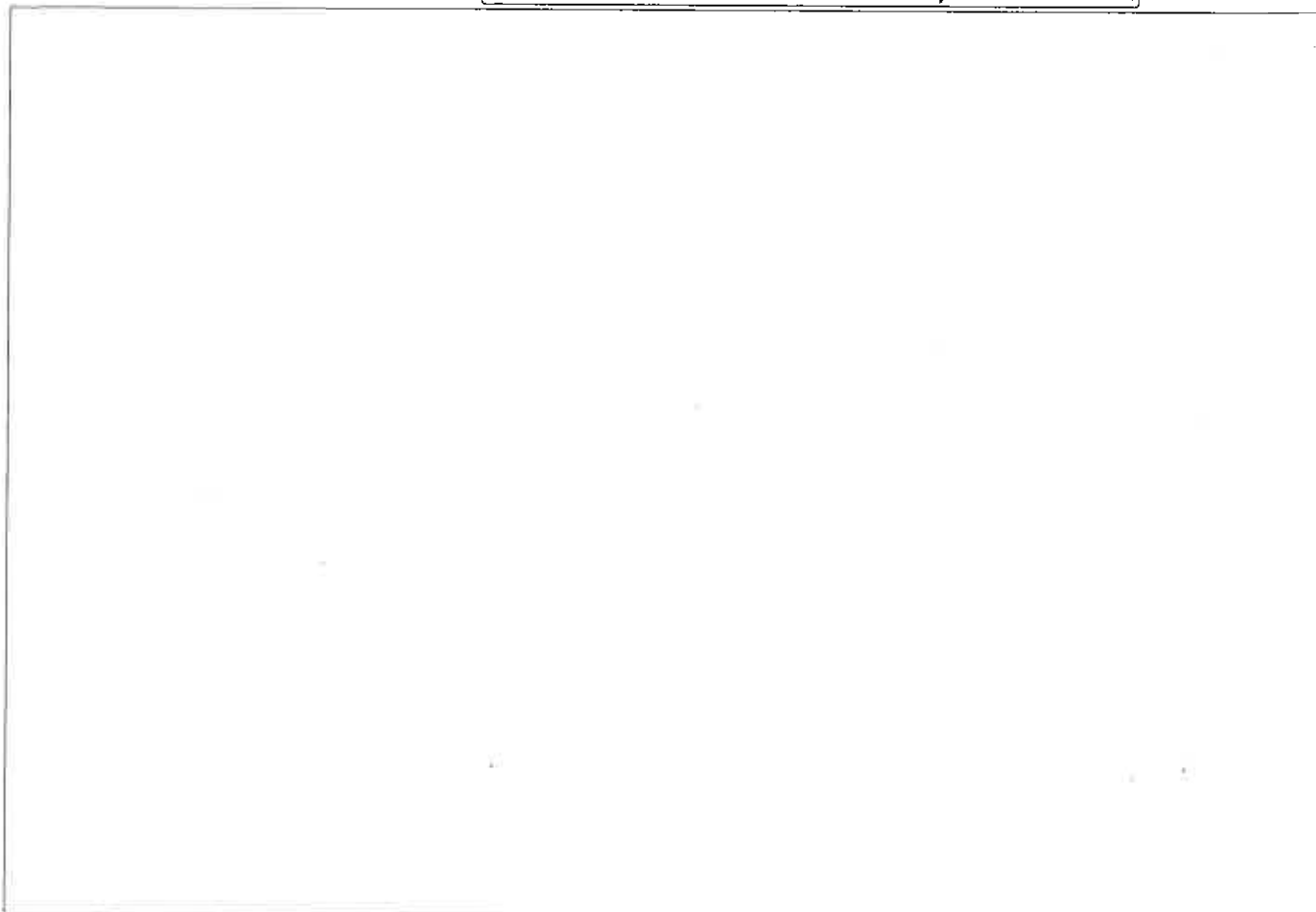
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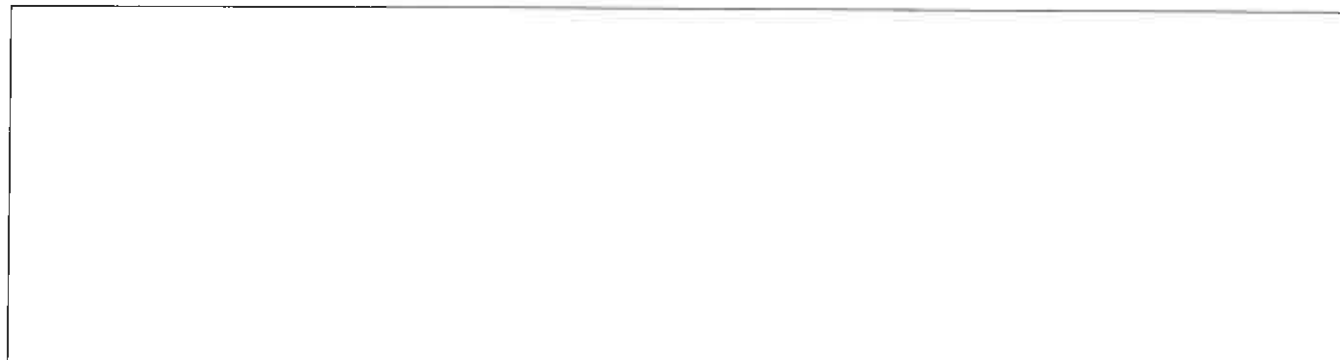
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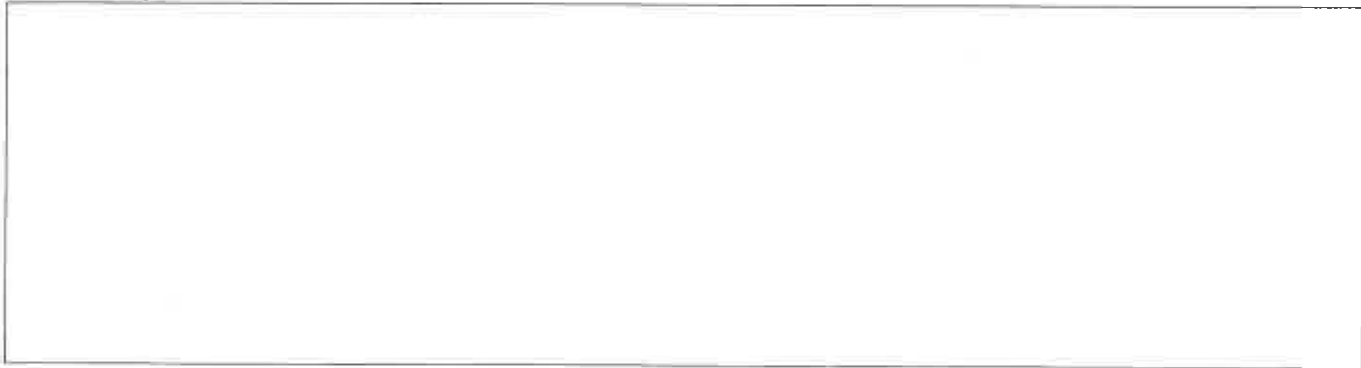
From: Riedmann, Scott R
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 8:33 AM
To: Parker, Christine D; Elliott, Evan L; Love, Jamel E
Subject: FW: CCI - Blessing the Children Kamashi

Evan - I think you were right. It looks like someone may have just stepped in taken over the biz.

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On Feb 8, 2012, at 1:55 AM, "Riedmann, Scott R" <RiedmannSR@state.gov> wrote:

[redacted] - I thought you might be interested in seeing this. This is from the FAQ page of [redacted] website. Scott

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Can I go to the old [redacted] Orphanage on a mission trip?

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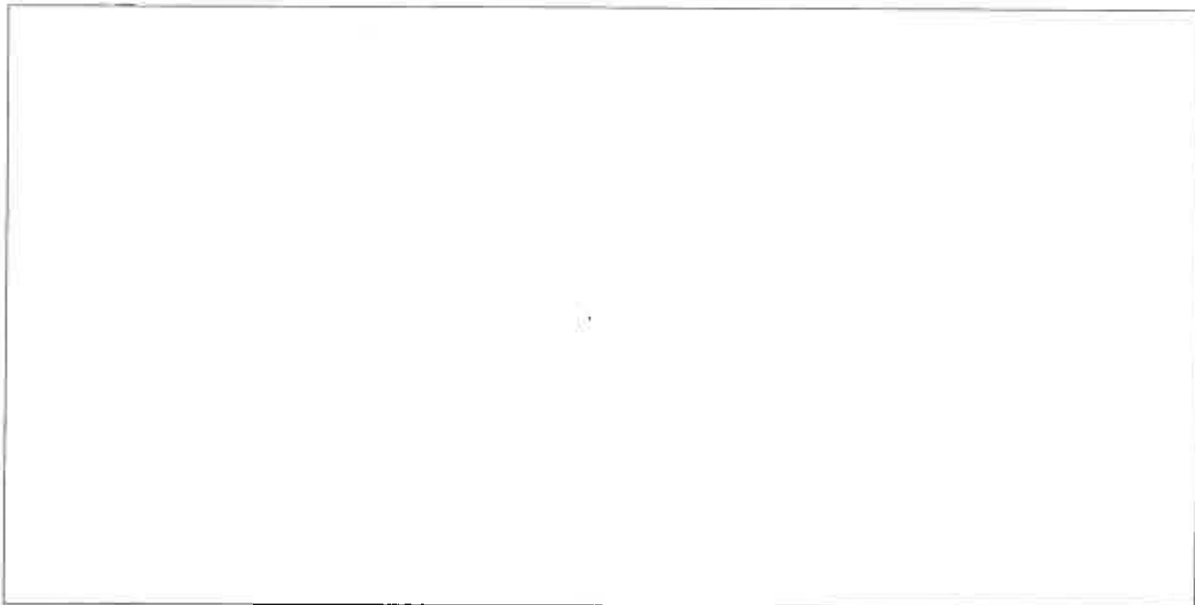
No. We have phased out the [redacted] 'institutionalize care' of children, and place children now in 'family' based care. Similar to foster homes, but when a child is placed in a loving family, it is for the duration of their childhood (unless the child is adopted). We believe the Lord created families to raise children, not institutions. It has been a great two years in [redacted] and we were blessed to lay the base for ministry in Ethiopia through that style of outreach. The new location in [redacted] is allowing us to reach many more children with the same amount of ministry resources.

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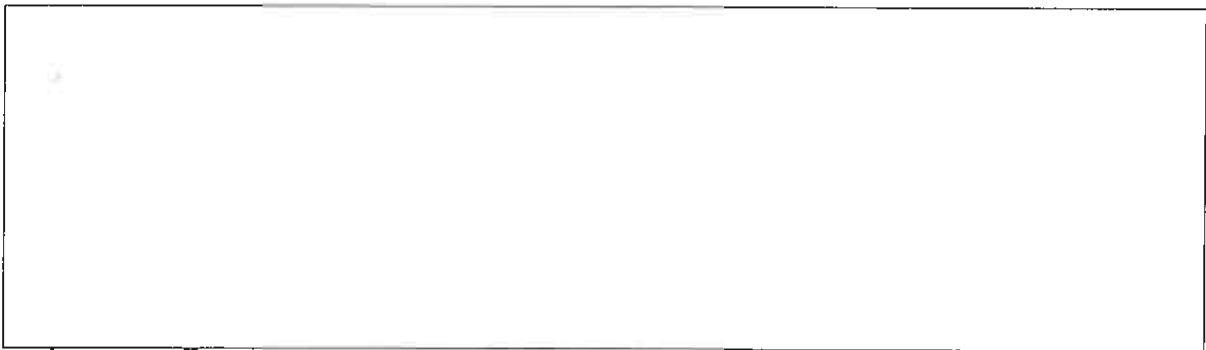
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From: Riedmann, Scott R [RiedmannSR@state.gov]

Sent: Monday, January 09, 2012 12:38 AM

To: [redacted]

Subject: RE: todays news

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[redacted] - thanks for writing. This is exactly the kind of cases that raises serious questions. It is outrageous that [redacted] would have told you this knowing that it was patently false. Our role, as you know, is just to determine the orphan status of the child. If in the end, we can, then we would approve the I-600 and visa for the case. If we can't, then we forward to USCIS who makes a decision on the case. In the end, the decision really hinges on whether the child is truly an orphan. It is impossible to make that determination until we see the complete case file and perform our investigation. And quite frankly, it is difficult to believe anything that [redacted] and [redacted] is telling you, since the story seems to change frequently.

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Please do not tell [redacted] that you shared this with us. It will only make it worse for you.

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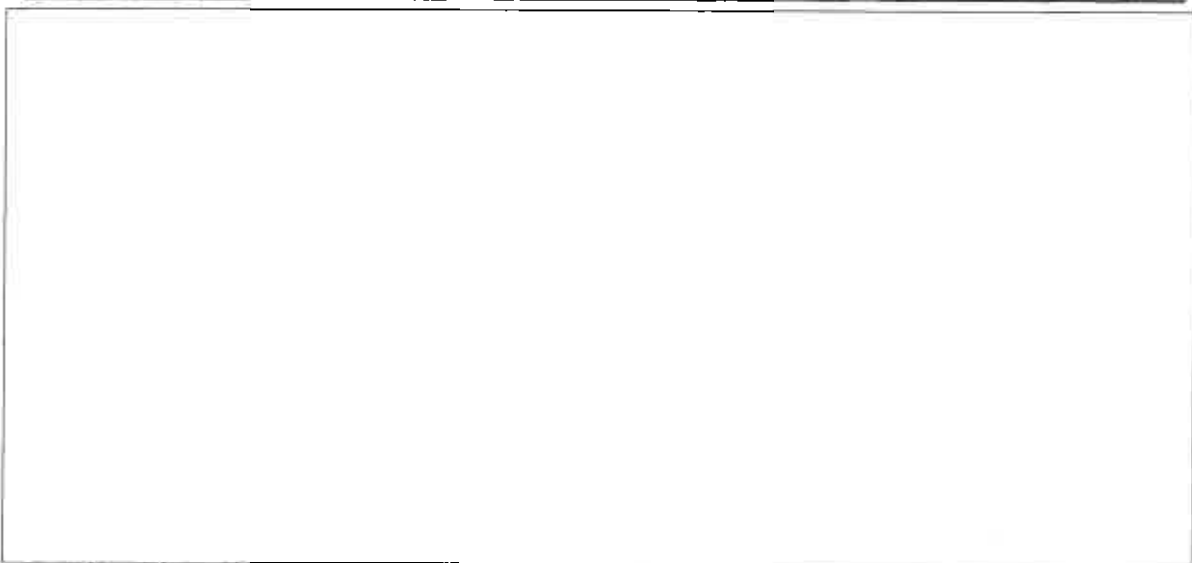
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Thanks for sharing. Scott

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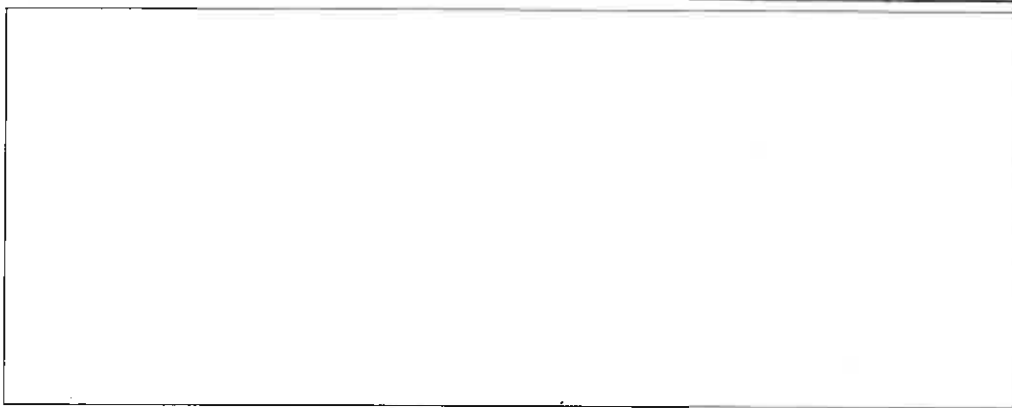


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On Jan 5, 2012, at 6:12 AM, "Riedmann, Scott R" <RiedmannSR@state.gov> wrote:

We are here to help. Please feel free to contact me anytime. Cheers,
Scott


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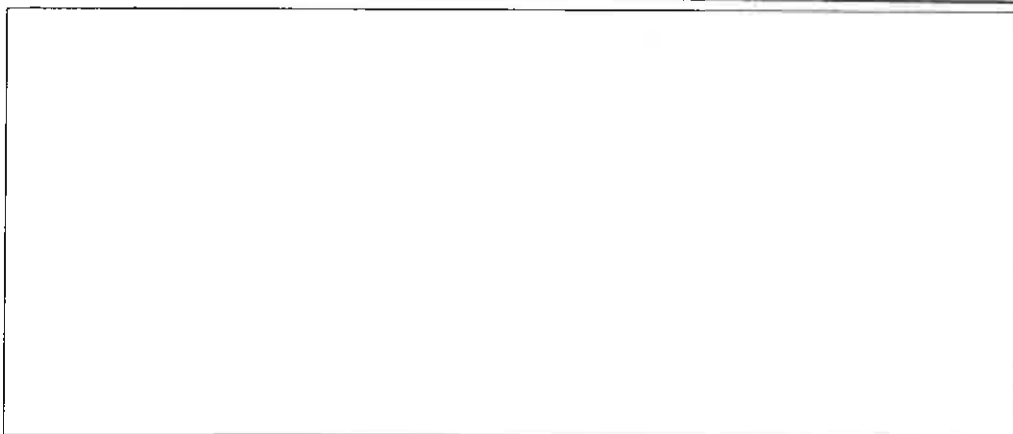
From: Riedmann, Scott R [RiedmannSR@state.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 05, 2012 12:02 AM
To: 
Subject: RE: todays news

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Unfortunately, we have no way of checking this. We really don't see cases until after the court process has been complete. Your situation was unique in that we had a larger issue to address and, through that, were able to obtain information about 

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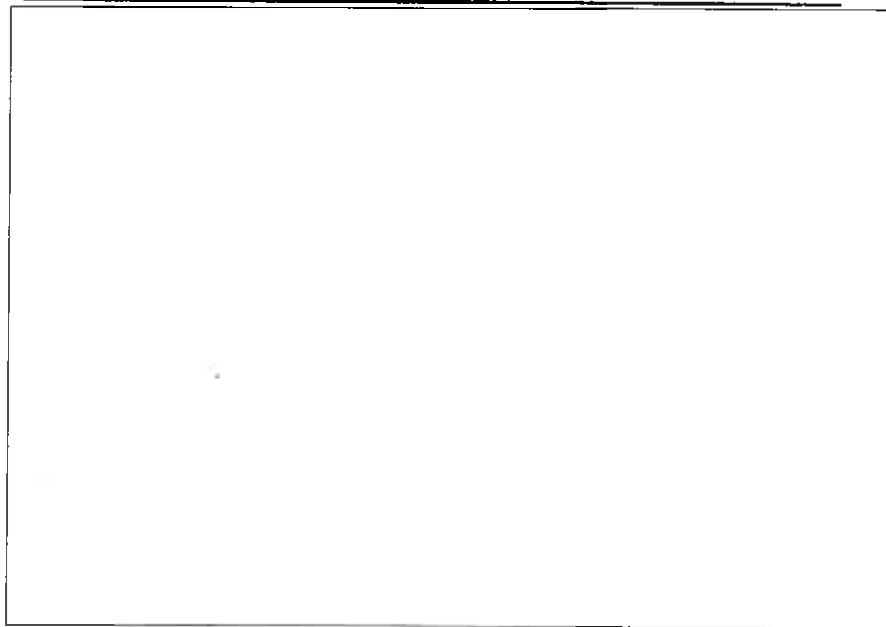


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On Jan 3, 2012, at 8:36 AM, "Riedmann, Scott R" <RiedmannSR@state.gov> wrote:

We can ask the court if a case has been submitted. Do you have the child's name?

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On Jan 3, 2012, at 12:16 AM, "Riedmann, Scott R" <RiedmannSR@state.gov> wrote:

Hi [] - it's good that [] is finally sharing information with you. I hope it is a trend that will continue. Can you send me a list of the names she sent you? We'd like to compare it to the names that she presents to us. Just to be sure.

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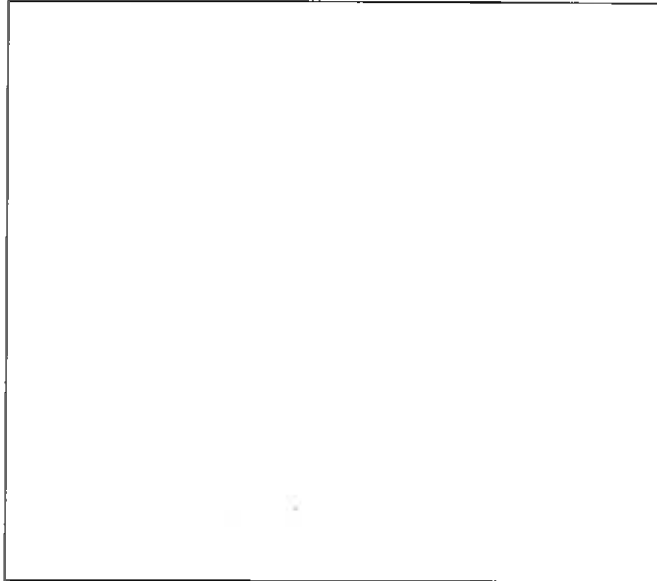
As far as notification, it depends on which part of the process you are referencing. Once [] submits that case to us, we will reach out directly to your as far as interview dates and times. Up until that point, you will have to rely on [] for information relating to court dates, etc.

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I hope you had a wonderful holiday season.
Regards, Scott

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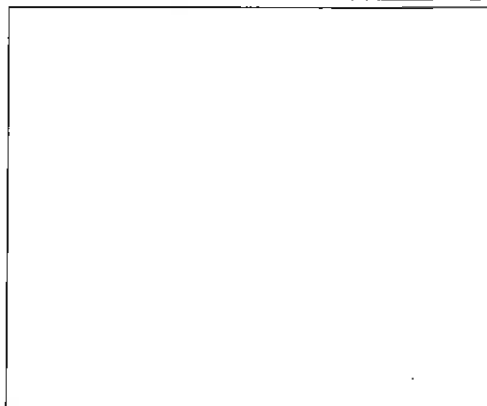


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On Dec 9, 2011, at 4:03 PM, "Riedmann, Scott R"
<RiedmannSR@state.gov> wrote:

We will check, but I've never heard of such a thing. It seems unlikely. Certainly they would not announce individual cases, but maybe said something about the ongoing effort to reunify children with families.

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