



**International
Social Service**
A U S T R A L I A

International Child Welfare and Kinship Care

International Social Service (ISS) Australia is a national charity with over 50 years' experience defending children's rights and connecting families across the world.

Our International Child Welfare services include:

- Working with child protection authorities and other services, both nationally and internationally, in cases of alleged child abuse/neglect
- Assistance in locating children abroad, in cases where there are welfare concerns
- Providing home assessments and reports, in Australia or overseas, where there are welfare concerns
- Obtaining criminal and child protection background checks
- Obtaining information about processes in state welfare authorities overseas
- Information, advice and referral to specialised services
- Support, counselling and other services by request

Our International Kinship Care services include:

- Providing kinship care assessments within Australia
- Facilitating kinship care assessments overseas
- Producing in-depth, high-quality reports for child protection authorities and matters before children's and family law courts overseas
- Pre- and post-placement support to all parties
- Facilitation of international transitions
- Support, counselling and other services by request

All services are provided by qualified professional Social Workers experienced in addressing cross-cultural issues and producing international assessments to high standards.

Defending children • **connecting** families • **across the world**

About ISS Australia

International Social Service (ISS) Australia is a national charity with over 50 years' experience **defending children and connecting families across the world.**

ISS Australia works with those who are separated by international borders, with an emphasis on the best interests of the child. ISS Australia is part of an international network spanning over 140 countries, based in Geneva, with advisory status at the United Nations.

ISS Australia is an independent, not-for-profit, non-government organisation.

ISS Australia is a leader in its field. Its inter-country services include:

- International Parental Child Abduction Support
- International Family and Post Adoption Tracing and Reunification
- Inter-country Child Welfare and Kinship Placement
- Family counselling and mediation for families separated by international borders
- Professional services including training and capacity building, research, and advocacy

Please see our other brochures on these services.

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