



Embassy of the United States of America

Bangkok, Thailand

October 24, 2003

Director General
Department of Social Development and Welfare
Ministry of Social Development and Human Security
Bangkok

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to introduce Mr. Duane L. Zimmerman and Mrs. Lonna R. Zimmerman who wish to adopt a child in Thailand. Mr. Zimmerman is an American citizen and is the bearer of U.S. passport number 208642883 issued on June 18, 2003. Mrs. Zimmerman is also an American citizen and is the bearer of U.S. passport number 208642884 issued on June 18, 2003. I have been informed that you require a letter from this Embassy attesting to their eligibility to adopt a Thai child under the laws of the state in which they claim permanent residence in the United States. They have advised me that they are fully eligible under all applicable laws and regulations.

They also state that they are currently residing in Thailand and that they desire that any home study in connection with the adoption be conducted here rather than in the United States. This Embassy poses no objection to the conduct of the home study here and, in fact, it would appear to be the more appropriate course, given their extended residence in the Kingdom of Thailand.

You may be assured that in all routine cases, a child lawfully adopted by an American parent under Thai law will be eligible to apply for an immigrant visa if all requirements are met.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tejai N. Shah".

Tejai N. Shah
Vice Consul