B. What the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade CANNOT DO

- intervene in private legal matters;
- enforce a Canadian custody agreement overseas;
- force another country to decide a custody case or enforce its laws in a particular way;

- assist in violating foreign laws or in the re-abduction of a child to Canada;
- take possession of an abducted child;
- pay legal or other expenses;
- provide legal counsel, act as a lawyer or represent parents in court.

VI - Directory of Assistance

A. Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade

Consular Affairs Bureau 125 Sussex Drive Ottawa, ON K1A 0G2

Tel.: 1-800-267-6788 (in Canada)

or (613) 996-8885

Fax: (613) 995-9221 or (613) 996-5358 Web site: http://www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca

Case officers work on a regional basis. If you know the country to which your child has been abducted, contact the appropriate case officer during business hours as follows:

Africa	(613) 944-9094
Asia (East)	(613) 944-1192
Asia (Southeast)	(613) 992-6540
Asia (South/Pacific)	(613) 992-7992
Caribbean	(613) 992-7377
Europe (East)	(613) 995-2378
Europe (West)	(613) 992-6768
Latin America	(613) 996-4374
Middle East	(613) 992-3414
United States	(613) 944-0475

The Passport Office Ottawa, ON K1A 0G3

Tel.: 1-800-567-6768 or (819) 994-3500

Fax: (819) 953-5856

B. "Our Missing Children" Program

Missing Children's Registry Royal Canadian Mounted Police P.O. Box 8885 1200 Vanier Parkway Ottawa, ON K1G 3M8 General Enquiries:

Tel.: (613) 993-1525

Investigation:

Tel.: (613) 993-7860 or (613) 993-1525

Border Alerts:

Tel.: (613) 993-7596 or (613) 990-8585

Fax: (613) 993-5430

Web site: http://www.childcybersearch.org/

C. Provincial/Territorial/Federal Central Authorities (for Hague Convention Cases)

Alberta

Ms. Peggy Hartman
Director, Civil & Family Legal Services
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5th Floor, Bowker Building
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