

## **U.S. Limits Adoptions of Romanian Children**

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Immigration officials have moved to restrict adoptions of Romanian babies by Americans, saying that only orphans or abandoned children will be allowed in the United States after Aug. 15.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service said on Friday that the authorities generally would make exceptions.

Under Federal law, abandoned children or orphans who are adopted by Americans can enter the country on immigrant visas. But to cope with recent requests for Romanian babies, the immigration service has allowed 177 children into the country, even though they had parents in Romania.

Since the December 1989 revolution in Romania that overthrew President Nicolae Ceausescu, 5,000 children have been adopted by Westerners, about 1,500 of them by American families.

This month, Romania enacted a law intended to end the black-market sale of babies.

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