AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY ADOPTION (FEES) DETERMINATION 2002 (No 1)

DI 2002-65

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Adoption Act 1993, commenced operation on 1 July 1993. The Act allows adult adopted persons, birth parents, relatives and adoptive parents to obtain identifying information in relation to their adoptions.

Section 62 of the Act enables the Director of Family Services to give information to eligible applicants.

Section 118 of the Act provides for fees to be determined in respect of these services.

FEES AND CHARGES NO LONGER APPLICABLE

The following information application fees are no longer applicable. The *Children and Young People Act 1999* states that every child has the right to have knowledge of, and access to, their family of origin. A requirement to pay for this information can effectively deny access. Your approval is sought to remove them from the schedule of Fees and Charges.

Description of Fee	Rate
Application for Information	\$117.00
Application for Non-identifying Information	\$117.00
Concession rates 50% of Normal Fees	
Application for Information	\$ 57.00
Application for Non-identifying Information	\$ 57.00

VARIATIONS TO EXISTING FEES

ADOPTION	2001-02 \$	2002-03 \$	Date of Effect
Information Seminar	120	120	1 July 2002
Administrative Fee	1,134	1,134	1 July 2002
Home Study	1,920	1,920	1 July 2002
Post Placement Visits and Reports	369	369	1 July 2002