

United States Senate

October 15, 2024

Ambassador Xie Feng
Embassy of the People's Republic of China
3505 International Place NW
Washington, D.C. 20008-3025

Dear Ambassador Xie:

Please see the attached communication from Mr. and Mrs. Carroll regarding the adoption of their son, Seth, who currently resides in the People's Republic of China (PRC). Mr. and Mrs. Carroll have been patiently waiting to complete their son's adoption since 2019.

I am deeply concerned about China's recent decision to end its intercountry adoptions. As you are aware, on August 28, 2024, the U.S. Department of State received notice that the Chinese government will no longer carry out intercountry adoptions. This announcement has left many families with ongoing adoption cases, including Mr. and Mrs. Carroll, uncertain if they will ever be united with their adoptive child.

While it is within China's jurisdiction to suspend its intercountry adoption program, promises have been made to the families that have already been matched with children. Families that have received an official letter from the China Center for Children's Welfare and Adoption should be permitted to move forward with their adoptions – allowing these children to finally go to their new and loving homes.

I urge your government to allow these pending adoption cases to proceed so that these children and their adoptive families can be united. Thank you for your attention to this very important matter, and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Dan Sullivan
United States Senator