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CONSULAR REPORT OF BIRTH ABROAD (CRBA) For a child born in Madagascar, Comoros or Mayotte

The following documents are required (original and photocopy):

- Application Form DS-2029
- Original or certified copy of local (Madagascar, Comoros, French) birth certificate (a provisional copy cannot be accepted). **This will not be returned.**
- Two U.S. passport-sized (2"x2"/ 5cm x 5cm) photographs of the child.
- Proof of U.S. parent(s)' citizenship: Each U.S. citizen parent must present at least one of the following documents for each U.S. Citizen parent: (1) U.S. passport, (2) original U.S. birth certificate or (3) original Certificate of Naturalization.
- Proof of both parents' identity: Each U.S. citizen parent must present at least one of the following documents: passport, driver's license with photo, national ID card with photo, U.S. visa with photo, or national identification card.
- Parent's original marriage certificate: If parents were *not* married prior to conception AND only the father is a U.S. Citizen, you must bring original documents (we do not need a copy) of proof of the parent's relationship (e.g., personal letters and cards, dated photographs, telephone bills, rent receipts, etc.).
- If only one of the parents is a U.S. citizen, proof of the parent's physical presence in the United States. Generally, the parent must prove at least **five** years physical presence in the U.S., at least **two** of which are after the age of 14. Presence must be proven with concrete evidence (e.g., school transcripts, income tax returns with Form W-2, Social Security earnings statement, pay receipts, passport entry/exit stamps, etc.).

- Affidavit of Parentage and Physical Presence: Required if only father is U.S. Citizen or child was conceived out-of-wedlock. Not required if both parents are American Citizens who were born in the US.
- If either parent was married before, divorce or death certificate from all prior marriages.

The following documents are strongly recommended but not required (we only need originals, no copies):

- Pre-natal documents of the mother (e.g., ultrasounds, prescriptions, doctor's records, etc.)
- Documents from the hospital where the child was born (e.g., identification bracelet, hospital certificate of birth, hospital bill, vaccination card, etc.)
- Proof of U.S. parent's presence in the local country around the time of conception (e.g. visa, hotel or rent receipts, bank statements, boarding passes, etc.)

THE CONSULAR OFFICER MAY ALWAYS REQUEST ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

Important things to know:

- Please type or print neatly in blue or black ink on all forms you submit.
- Please do not sign any documents, as you need to sign before the consular officer.
- Please bring ORIGINAL and PHOTOCOPIES of all documents. We will keep the photocopies and return the originals on the same day.
- You must provide an English translation of any document not in English.
- All documents presented must be originals or certified copies from the office of vital records. Copies made by you or anyone else outside the office of vital records are not certified copies even if they are notarized. Certified copies normally have either a raised or printed seal from the issuing office.
- The current CRBA fee is \$100 (can be paid only by credit card or cash)
- Once the CRBA is approved, the child will be eligible for a US passport
- The child must be present at the interview