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The Department of International Cooperation of the Ministry of Civil Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of Switzerland and reply the Note 261/2016 regarding the intercountry adoption as below:

Currently in China, along with the development of economy, the improvement of people's living standard and the raising of charity awareness, there are less and less adoptable children and the waiting time for adoption is longer and longer, foreign family have to wait for years for adopting healthy children. Therefore in order to protect legal rights and interests of parties in adoption relationship, the Ministry of Civil affairs is not going to establish new cooperation of adoption with foreign countries for the moment.

The Department of International Cooperation of the Ministry of Civil Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of Switzerland the assurances of its highest consideration.

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