

TABLE I – STATE OF ORIGIN

COSTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE PAID IN REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA 2016

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This table is designed to provide prospective adoptive parents (“PAPs”) and other adoption actors with an overview of the costs and contributions (see p. 2 on the way to enter the “amount” in the tables) which may need to be paid in the above-mentioned State of origin when undertaking an intercountry adoption from that State. Unless indicated otherwise, the costs listed are for the adoption of ONE child.

Please note: In order to obtain a comprehensive overview of the costs and contributions which may need to be paid by the PAPs, one will need also to refer to Table II (costs and contributions to be paid in the receiving State) as completed by the receiving State in which the PAPs habitually reside.

Additional amounts, such as **travel costs** (which may include airfares and accommodation) may apply (see “travel requirements” section below) but only general information concerning this is requested in this table, not actual costs.

| COSTS | | | |
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| Purpose of the service covered by the cost | Charged by | Name of the authority, body or person | Amount¹ [currency] |
| Administrative application fee ² | <input type="checkbox"/> CAN <input type="checkbox"/> CAR <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Ministry of justice | 100 BGN |
| Administrative processing fee ³ | <input type="checkbox"/> CAN <input type="checkbox"/> CAR <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Ministry of justice | 50 BGN |
| Court fees | <input type="checkbox"/> CT <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Sofia city court | - 25/50* BGN – fee *Depending on the judge; - 40 BGN – transcripts |
| Visa(s) for PAPs to enter the State of origin | <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Specialised professionals | Legal services (e.g., legal advice and representation in the State of origin) <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO <input type="checkbox"/> AB RS ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> OP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Attorney | 1500 BGN |
| | Notary's fees <input type="checkbox"/> OP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Notary | 0-78 BGN |
| | Medical services (e.g., health examination for the child) <input type="checkbox"/> OP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Psychologists who works for AB SO | 100 BGN per hour * it is paid by PAPs in case of need |

¹ For each category of costs, please indicate the currency, fixed amount, if applicable, or the range (minimum to maximum) that is charged for each category. See also p. 2 of this document for more details on the way to enter the “amount” in the tables.

² States should use this category to indicate whether they charge a standard fee when PAPs submit an application to adopt.

³ States should use this category to indicate whether they charge subsequent fees at different stages of the adoption procedure (e.g., when the matching is done).

⁴ Only applicable if not included already in the costs for services by a receiving States accredited body mentioned in Table II.

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| Specialised professionals | Psychologists / counselling | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO <input type="checkbox"/> AB RS ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> OP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Psychologists who works for AB SO | 100 BGN per hour * it is paid by PAPs in case of need |
| | Interpreter in the State of origin | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO <input type="checkbox"/> AB RS ⁶ <input type="checkbox"/> OP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | <u>N/A</u> | N/A – this expense is included in the other fees |
| | Other: [please specify] | | | |
| Documentation | Birth certificate(s) of the child | <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/> CT <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Sofia Municipality | 30 BGN for 2 copis |
| | Passport from the State of origin | <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Ministry of interior | 20-80 BGN depending on age of the child |
| | Legalisation of documents in the State of origin | <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/> CT <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Ministry of exterior/ Ministry of justice | 870 BGN |
| | Translation of documents in the State of origin | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO <input type="checkbox"/> AB RS ⁷ <input type="checkbox"/> OP <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | Translation agency | 2130 BGN |
| | Informing and consulting the PAPs for the adoption process, applicable laws, the adoption documents prior to sending their documentation; Examination and research of the documents sent by the PAPs | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin | 400 BGN |
| | Preparation of the documents for continuation of the adoption procedure; Accompaniment to a notary public and insurance of a sworn interpreter | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin | 300 BGN |
| | Preparation of applications for new birth certificate and for passport of the child | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin | 130 BGN |
| | Other: [please specify] | | | |

⁵ *Ibid.*

⁶ *Ibid.*

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| Coping of all the documents Postal and courier services Representation before and interaction with CAN, Telephone/Fax, Mobile phones, Internet and Secretarial work | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin | 1600 BGN |
| Organizing of the first visit of the PAPs to the child referred by CAN; representation of the PAPs before any authority or person, involved in the procedure including interpretation | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin | 1800 BGN |
| Organization of the second visit of the PAPs to Bulgaria; representation of the PAPs before any authority or person, involved in the procedure including interpretation | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin | 1209 BGN |
| Indirect Expenses of AB SO – rent, electricity, heating, water; stationery, consumption for the printer, fax, etc.; bank commissions; Accountant services; Maintenance of the office, of the material assets and cars | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin | 1170 BGN |
| Expenses for the institutional development and consolidation of AB SO – purchase of books, vocabularies, collections for the work of AB SO; Education of the staff; Update and purchase of new equipment; Taking part in conferences and other public appearances in the field of the intercountry adoptions and membership; Preparation of documents for new license for intermediation in intercountry adoption and state fee. | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin | 1050 BGN |
| Realization of the special measures for adoption of a child under Art. 112, par. 6 from FC of Republic of Bulgaria | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin | 400 BGN |
| Other costs charged by an AB of the State of origin (not included in other categories) [please specify] | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | | |
| Emigration / Exit fees for the child (e.g., fee to exit the State) ⁸ | <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | | |
| Other: [please specify] | | | |

⁸ This category of costs does not refer to costs associated with the immigration of the child *into* the receiving State; instead, it refers to any fees charged by the authorities of the State of origin in order for the child to *exit* the territory.

| CONTRIBUTIONS | | | |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Purpose | Charged by | Name of the authority, body or person | Amount [currency] |
| Contributions demanded by the State of origin [Please specify for what purpose this money is collected] | <input type="checkbox"/> CAN <input type="checkbox"/> CAR <input type="checkbox"/> PA <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | | |
| Contributions demanded by an accredited body of the State of origin [Please specify for what purpose this money is collected (e.g. for the care of the child)] | <input type="checkbox"/> AB SO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A | | |

| TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS | |
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| <p>[Please specify if prospective adoptive parent(s) is / are required to personally travel to the State of origin and the number of compulsory trips⁹ as well as the minimum number of days which he / she / they are required to stay in the State of origin].</p> | <p>The PAPs are required to personally travel to meet with the child for 5 days prior to the adoption procedure. In case the contact cannot be performed due to important circumstances, the contact with the child can be made by one of the spouses and/or to have a shorter duration.</p> |

Explanation of abbreviations:

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| (CAN) | Central Authority National |
| (CAR) | Central Authority Regional |
| (PA) | Public Authority |
| (CT) | Court or tribunal |
| (AB) | Adoption Accredited Body |
| (AB SO) | Adoption Accredited Body of the State of origin |
| (AB RS) | Adoption Accredited Body of the receiving State |
| (AP SO) | Adoption Approved (Non-accredited) Person of the State of origin |
| (AP RS) | Adoption Approved (Non-accredited) Person of the receiving State |
| (OP) | Other professionals (e.g., lawyer, doctor, translator, interpreter) |
| (N/A) | Not applicable – if service is not performed |

⁹ States should be aware of the psychological trauma to the child which could occur when several trips are made to meet the child before the he or she is finally entrusted to the adoptive parents.