**Best Interests Determination Review Report -** *Case Review or Re-opening form*

**(***To be used to review whether a BID needs to be re-opened or whether the recommendations can be upheld)*

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| **Case Details** | |
| **Name of Child:** | **Indiv. Registration No:** |
| **BID Case No:** | **Linked BID(s):** |
| **Date of BID decision:** | **Case Referred By:** |
| **BID Recommendations** *(please provide a summary of the recommendations of the BID)****:*** | |
| **Address:** | **Resettlement Case Number ( if applicable) :** |
| **Name of current caregiver:** | **Indiv. Registration No:** |

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| **Reasons for review of the BID decision ( tick all that apply)** | |
|  | Review of decision after 12 months (recommendations not yet implemented) |
|  | Inability to implement decision |
|  | At the direct request of the Child |
|  | At the direct request of the Caregiver(s) |
|  | Other(s) ( please indicate ) |

**REVIEW DETAILS**

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| **Interviews** | | |
| **Person(s) interviewed for the review and their relationship to the child)** | **No. of interviews** | **Date of Interviews** |
| Child |  |  |
| Caregiver |  |  |
| Parents (if present) |  |  |
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|  | **Name** | **Organization** |
| **Interviewing Officer** |  |  |
| **Interpreter** |  |  |
| **Reviewing Officer** |  |  |

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| **Case Summary** |
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| **Current Situation** | |
| *Please provide an overview of child’s situation, highlighting any significant changes from the BID Report in care arrangement, health, education, psychosocial well-being, access to durable solutions, protection concerns or other areas* | |
| **Child’s Views** | |
| *Please provide an overview of the views of the child on their current situation and on the proposed course of action indicated by the BID* | |
| **FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS (tick as appropriate)** | |
| **□ Reopen the BID (please tick the applicable reason below)** | |
|  | Additional information in relation to tracing of child’s parents and/or relatives |
|  | New protection concerns identified |
|  | Change in family composition / care arrangement |
|  | Change in the views of the child / caregiver / parents |
|  | Change in the child’s potential access to durable solutions |
|  | Other substantive change in the child’s situation |
|  | Original BID decision cannot be implemented in a reasonable timeframe |
|  | Other: |
| **□ Uphold BID recommendations and do not re-open** | |
| **Comments:** | |

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| **Name & Signature of the assessor:** |
| **Date:** |

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| **Comments by Reviewer to the report:** |
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| **Name & Signature of Reviewer:** |
| **Date** |

**Guidance notes for the use of this form:**

* **Responsibility of the BID Supervisor for the recommendation to re-open**: A BID decision canbe reopened if the recommendations have not been implemented in a reasonable time period (one year is a reference point for durable solutions in particular), and that reopening a BID decision is normally the responsibility of the BID Supervisor. The case would only need to go to the Panel if there is a recommendation to re-open. There is no need to re-open the BID if the BID Supervisor considers that:
  + There are no material changes in the child’s situation, views or circumstances since the BID decision, nor in those of the persons with whom the child is resettled and / or the parents/relatives that the child will join; and
  + There is no reason to believe that it will not be possible to implement the BID decision within a reasonable timeframe.
* **Changes in circumstances that would merit re-opening**: The Guidelines only explicitly mention successful tracing and the emergence of new evidence as examples of ‘changes in circumstances’. Other material changes in circumstances that could be considered as meriting the re-opening of a BID include, *inter alia*:
  + Any change in the child’s views about the proposed resettlement, or those of the parent / caregiver (that the child resides with and/or that the child may be going to join). This is particularly important to re-assess, since the maturity of a child can evolve significantly over the course of a year as the child develops.
  + Any departure or arrival of family members or other persons close to the child either in the country of asylum or the proposed country of resettlement, especially those who are directly considered in the RRF.
  + Any change in the protection risks affecting the child – e.g. any new and different protection incidents that have occurred since the BID decision was taken (e.g. an incident of sexual abuse or assault, incidents of physical violence in the family, etc.).
  + Any significant change in the child’s access to other durable solutions – e.g. access to national services which make local integration a greater possibility.
  + Any new information or re-assessment of existing information that would indicate that the BID decision will not be possible to implement within a reasonable timeframe.
* **Assessment and documentation of child’s circumstances:** In order to assess whether there are any changes on the above, it would be necessary, at a minimum, to re-interview the child, foster family / guardians, and parents/relatives again, and – wherever possible – to conduct a home visit. The above form or a BIA form can be used to document the assessment and to make recommendations either to re-open or not, to be approved by the BID Supervisor. This form can then simply be annexed to the BID report. If the recommendation is to re-open, the form and the original BID decision should be submitted to the BID Panel for review.