

# Application for a 'Regular Provisional Residence Permit persons making a journey in connection with family reunification with an asylum seeker' (647)

Read the explanation before you start to fill out the form.

#### For whom is this form intended?

You have an asylum residence permit and you want to bring a family member from abroad to the Netherlands. With this form you can apply for a Regular Provisional Residence Permit (hereinafter MVV) for your family member. The IND calls this family reunification and uses the term 'journey in connection with family reunification' for this application. This application is free of charge. An MVV is an entry visa with which your family member can travel to the Netherlands. Once your family member is in the Netherlands, he or she can obtain a derived asylum residence permit. This means that the stay of your family member depends on your asylum residence permit.

You can use this form for the following family members:

- your husband/wife;
- your partner;
- your child or foster child; and/or
- your parent (if you are unaccompanied and were under the age of 18 when you submitted your asylum application).

You are called a 'sponsor' in this form. Your family member is called a 'foreign national'.

#### When can you use this form?

After you have obtained your asylum residence permit, you will have three months' time to apply for an MVV for persons making a journey in connection with family reunion with an asylum seeker for your family member. You do so with this form.

Do you not have an asylum residence permit, or has the period for a journey in connection with family reunion expired? Then use the application form 'Application for the purpose of residence of 'family members and relatives' (sponsor)' if you want to bring a family member to the Netherlands. This application is not free of charge.

#### How do you fill in this form?

The application comprises:

- The application form. Do you want to make an application for more family members? Then use a separate application form for each family member.
- Appendices. This form contains links to appendices that you must fill in and enclose with the application form. Which appendices you need to fill in and enclose depends on your situation, and you will read this further on in the application form.

#### How do you submit the application?

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Please note! Only send your application once you have filled in this form and the requested appendices completely. Do not forget to place a signature on the application form. You must also gather all means of evidence before you make the application.

Are you unable to gather all means of evidence together in time? Or do you not have contact with your family member at this time? Then only make an application to secure the period for the journey in connection with family reunion. Indicate this under section 1 of the application form. You can make a new application once you have gathered the evidence together or if you have contact again with your family member. *Please note!* Take account of the fact that conditions may change in the meantime. It is possible that other conditions will apply to you when you make a new application.

Send the complete application with appendices and documents to the IND by (registered) post.

- > Put everything in one envelope.
- > Stick enough stamps on the envelope.
- > Do not send original documents.
- > Do not use staples or paper clips.
- > Do not send USB sticks, CDs, DVDs. All information must be on paper.

Please send the complete application to: Immigratie- en Naturalisatiedienst Postbus 16 9560 AA Ter Apel

#### What happens to your application?

After the IND has received your application, the IND will assess your application. If the IND needs more information, you will receive a letter about this. If the IND can decide immediately, you will also receive a letter.

#### Processing of personal data

The Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND) processes personal data when it processes your application, notification, or request. This means that if needed the IND will request data from you yourself and other organisations or persons. The IND also uses and stores data and shares them with other organisations. When doing so, the IND strictly adheres to the stipulations of privacy legislation. For instance, the IND must treat data safely and with due care. The law also gives rights. At your request, you are allowed to see which data on you the IND processes. You can also get information on why the IND does so and to whom your data have been passed on. On www.ind.nl you can read how the IND processes your data and which rights you have. You can also read how to use your rights.

#### Would you like more information?

Then visit the IND website at www.ind.nl. You can also contact the IND by telephone via 088 043 04 30 (normal charges apply). From abroad you can call +31 88 043 04 30.

## 1 Sponsor

Only the sponsor can use this form. The sponsor must submit the application within 3 months after having obtained the asylum residence permit. Does your family member want to apply for an MVV abroad? Your family member must then go to the diplomatic representation of the Netherlands in that country.

- > Please tick
- **I** am the sponsor and:
  - □ I applied for the MVV **within 3 months** after I had obtained my asylum residence permit.
  - □ I applied for the MVV within 3 months, only to secure the period of 3 months for the journey in connection with family reunion. (If you have ticked this option, you still need to fill in only points 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9.1, 9.2 and 9.3 on the application form.)
  - □ I did **not** apply for the MVV **within 3 months** after I had obtained by asylum residence permit.
    - > Explain below what the reason is for this.

# 2 Details of the sponsor

2.1	V-number (if known)	
2.2 2.3	Citizen Service Number (if known) Name (as included in the Personal Records Database (BRP*)	Surname
	* this is the database in which municipalities include personal data of citizens	First names
2.4	Sex	<ul> <li>Male</li> <li>Female</li> </ul>
2.5	Date of birth	Day Month Year
2.6	Place of birth	
2.7	Country of birth (as stated in the passport)	
2.8	Nationality	
2.9	Civil status	<ul> <li>unmarried</li> <li>married (legally)</li> <li>married (traditionally/religiously)</li> <li>registered partnership</li> <li>divorced</li> <li>widow/widower</li> </ul>

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Street

		Number
		Postcode
2.11	Telephone number	
2.12	E-mail	
3	Details of the family n	nember
3.1	V-number (if known)	
3.2	Name (as stated in the passport)	Surname
		First names
3.3	Sex	<ul><li>Male</li><li>Female</li></ul>
3.4	Date of birth	Day Month Year
3.5	Place of birth	
3.6	Country of birth (as stated in the passport)	
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3.9 Current residential address and current contact details

□ The address and contact details are known > Provide as much details as possible

	Number
	Postcode
	Town
	Country
	Telephone number
	E-mail
	The address and contact details are not known, because:
	The address and contact details are not known, because:
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- 3.10 Has an mvv been applied for this family member before?
- 3.11 If so, has new information become known since your previous application that you did not tell or send during the previous procedure?

# 4 Documents and appendices

You must always enclose the following documents and appendices with the application form. *Documents* 

• A copy of an official means of evidence showing the identity of your family member; and

• A recent and sharp photo of the face of your family member.

Appendices

- <u>The appendix 'Antecedents Certificate'</u> (if your family member is 12 years of age or older).
- The appendix 'Declaration by Sponsor (family and relatives)'.

In the next section (5 Documents and appendices per family member) it is indicated for each family member which documents and appendices you must enclose with the application form.

## **5** Documents and appendices per family member

State which family member you want to bring to the Netherlands. Please use a separate application form for each family member for whom you wish to apply. It is stated which documents and appendices you must enclose for each family member. In the next section (6 Information on documents and appendices) you can read which requirements these documents must meet.

#### □ Your statutory spouse

Documents

 A copy of a statutory marriage certificate. This must have been issued by the government of the country in which you were legally married, <u>or</u> a copy of another official means of evidence showing your marriage.

Appendices

<u>Questionnaire (married) partner for asylum in connection with family reunification.</u>

#### **Vour partner with whom you are married in a traditional/religious sense**

Documents

- A copy of your religious/traditional marriage certificate <u>or</u> a copy of another official means of evidence showing your marriage.
- Copies of means of evidence showing that the religious/traditional marriage has been entered in the registers in the country of origin. This is the country of which your family member has the nationality. This is possible only if registration is customary in the country where you were married in a religious/traditional manner.

Appendices

• <u>Questionnaire (married) partner for asylum in connection with family reunification</u>.

#### □ Your registered partner

Documents

• A copy of the certificate of registered partnership. This must have been issued by the government of the country where your partnership is registered.

Appendices

Questionnaire (married) partner for asylum in connection with family reunification.

#### □ Your unmarried partner

Documents

• A copy of a means of evidence showing your relationship.

Appendices

• <u>Questionnaire (married) partner for asylum in connection with family reunification</u>.

#### □ Your parent

Documents

- A copy of your birth certificate <u>or</u> a copy of another official means of evidence showing your family relationship with your parent.
- A copy of a means of evidence showing who your guardian is in the Netherlands.

Appendices

• Appendix Application for DNA test in case of family reunification.

#### **Vour biological child (under 15 years of age)**

Documents

• A copy of the birth certificate of your child or a copy of another official means of evidence showing your family relationship with your child.

#### Appendices

Appendix Application for DNA test in case of family reunification.

In addition if the other parent of your biological child (under 18 years of age) has remained behind in the foreign country:

Documents

- A copy of a means of evidence showing the identity of the parent remaining behind. It is important that a signature of the parent remaining behind has been placed on this means of evidence.
- A copy of an official means of evidence showing the family relationship between your child and the parent remaining behind.

Appendices

• <u>Appendix Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind</u> <u>or</u> <u>Appendix Statement</u> <u>regarding the absence of the 'Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind'.</u>

#### **Vour biological child (15 years of age and older, under 25 years of age)**

Documents

• A copy of the birth certificate of your child or a copy of another official means of evidence showing your family relationship with your child.

Appendices

- Appendix Application for DNA test in case of family reunification.
- <u>Questionnaire family relationship child.</u>
- Appendix Certificate of non-impediment.

In addition if the other parent of your biological child (under 18 years of age) has remained behind in the foreign country:

Documents

- A copy of a means of evidence showing the identity of the parent remaining behind. It is important that a signature of the parent remaining behind has been placed on this means of evidence.
- A copy of an official means of evidence showing the family relationship between your child and the parent remaining behind.

Appendices

 <u>Appendix Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind</u> <u>or</u> <u>Appendix Statement</u> regarding the absence of the 'Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind'.</u>

#### **Vour biological child (25 years of age and older)**

Documents

• A copy of the birth certificate of your child or a copy of another official means of evidence showing your family relationship with your child.

Appendices

- Appendix Application for DNA test in case of family reunification.
- Appendix Certificate of non-impediment.
- <u>Appendix Declaration 'More than normal emotional ties'.</u>

## □ Your foster child

Documents

- A copy of an official means of evidence showing the identity of the biological parents of your family member.
- A copy of an official means of evidence showing the family relationship between you and the child.
- A copy of the child's birth certificate or a copy of another official means of evidence showing the family relationship between the child and the biological parents of the child.

#### Appendices

- <u>Appendix Application for DNA test in case of family reunification</u>.
- <u>Appendix Certificate of non-impediment</u> (if the foster child is older than 15 years).
- Questionnaire family relationship child.
- <u>Appendix Declaration 'More than normal emotional ties'</u>. (if the foster child is older than 25 years).
- <u>Appendix Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind</u> <u>or</u> <u>Appendix Statement</u> <u>regarding the absence of the 'Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind'.</u>

#### In addition if the biological parents of your foster child have died:

#### Documents

- A copy of the death certificates of the biological parents of your foster child.
- A copy of an official means of evidence showing that you are the guardian of your foster child.

#### □ The biological child of your (marital) partner

#### Documents

- A copy of the child's birth certificate or a copy of another official means of evidence showing the family relationship between the child and the biological parents of the child.
- A copy of an official means of evidence showing the identity of the other biological parent of the child. It is important that a signature of the parent remaining behind has been placed on this means of evidence.

#### Appendices

- Appendix Application for DNA test in case of family reunification.
- <u>Questionnaire family relationship child.</u>
- Appendix Certificate of non-impediment. (if the child is older than 15 years).
- <u>Appendix Declaration 'More than normal emotional ties'</u>. (if the child is older than 25 years).
- <u>Appendix Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind</u> <u>or</u> <u>Appendix Statement</u> <u>regarding the absence of the 'Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind'.</u>

## 6 Information on documents and appendices

For your application, you must prove the identity of your family member and the family relationship.

#### Identity

#### What must you send?

Send a copy of the passport of your family member. Does your family member not have a passport? Then send a copy of another proof of identity. A proof of identity is an official document from the government of the country of origin. This is the country of which your family member has the nationality. A proof of identity contains personal data and a passport photo. Does your family member not have a passport or other proof of identity? Then send as many (indicative) documents as possible showing the identity of your family member.

#### How do you send the documents?

If there is a passport or proof of identity, you only copy the pages with:

- the personal details; and
- term of validity; and
- travel stamps; and
- the family member's signature.

If there are other (indicative) documents, you copy all pages.

#### **Family relationship**

#### What must you send?

Send copies of original official documents that prove the family relationship. An official document is a document you obtain via the government. Are you unable to prove the family relationship with official documents? Then send as many other (indicative) documents as possible.

#### How do you send the documents?

Copy all pages of the document. Once the IND has received your application, you will receive a confirmation of receipt. An appendix is enclosed with this confirmation that you must use to send the original documents. It is therefore important for these documents already to be available in the Netherlands. You do not need to resend the documents that were already examined during the asylum procedure.

#### **Translation of documents**

All documents must be written in Dutch, English, German or French. Are the documents written in a different language? Then a sworn translator must translate these documents. This is a translator who has been sworn in by a court in the Netherlands. This translator is then listed for this language in the register of sworn translators and interpreters (Rbtv). You can find the Rbtv via <u>www.bureauwbtv.nl</u>. You must also send this original translation.

#### **Absence of official documents**

#### Identity

Do you not have any official documents to prove the identity? Then explain why not in a separate letter. Ensure that the explanation is comprehensive and deals personally with your family member. A mere explanation of the situation in the country of origin is not sufficient. Please explain:

- why your family member has never had documents; or
- why your family member did have documents once, but no longer has them now.
- how your family member has managed to survive the day-to-day life in the country of origin without documents.

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#### **Appendices**

It is also important for you to fill in the appendices completely. Has the IND asked for an explanation? Ensure that you write down a comprehensive and personal explanation. A short explanation is not sufficient for the IND.

# 7 Place of collection of regular provisional residence permit (mvv) (if the regular provisional residence permit is granted)

State below where your family member wants to pick up the MVV. This can be done at a Netherlands embassy or consulate in the country of origin or in the country where your family member resides. Does your family member reside in a European country? You must then send a copy of the residence document of your family member.

Is there no Netherlands embassy or consulate in the country where your family member resides? Your family member can then pick up the MVV in a neighbouring country where there is one.

Always fill in these details. Do you not yet know where your family member wants to pick up the MVV. Then fill in the details of the Netherlands embassy or consulate where you think your family member is going to pick up the MVV. You can always change this later.

Town and Country

Country

Town

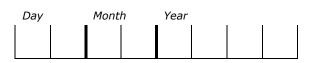
# 8 Entry date (if the regular provisional residence permit is granted)

The entry date will be the start date of the residence permit. If the entry date is unknown the residence permit starts the day after issuing the regular provisional residence permit.

> Please tick the applicable situation and fill in

8.1 Entry date

Entry date unknownEntry date:



## 9 Details of the contact person

> Please tick the applicable situation

- □ I **do not** receive assistance from the Dutch Council for Refugees, NIDOS, an authorised representative or a lawyer.
- □ I **do** receive assistance from the Dutch Council for Refugees, NIDOS, an authorised representative or a lawyer.

> Please complete the details of the contact person

9.1 Name Surname

First names

9.2 Name organisation

Street

		Number
		Postcode
9.4	Telephone number	
9.5	E-mail	
9.6	Availability of contact person	<ul> <li>Monday</li> <li>Thursday</li> <li>Tuesday</li> <li>Wednesday</li> </ul>
9.7	<ul> <li>Please tick if you receive assistance from</li> <li>Vluchtelingenwerk:</li> </ul>	□ The IND sends me letters about the application. I give the IND permission to send my contact person from the Dutch Council for Refugees a copy of these letters. I can stop this permission at any time.

## 10 Checking and signing

Before you place your signature, see first if you have gathered all documents together. All documents and appendices are listed once again below. Tick what is applicable to you.

I have enclosed the following documents:

- A copy of an official means of evidence showing the identity of your family member (with translation).
- A copy of official means of evidence showing your family relationship (with translation).
- □ A recent and sharp photo of the face of your family member.
- □ The completed and signed appendix 'Antecedents Certificate' (if your family member is 12 years or older).
- The completed and signed 'Appendix Certificate of non-impediment'.
- □ The completed and signed 'Appendix Application for DNA test in case of family reunification.'
- □ The completed and signed 'Questionnaire (married) partner for asylum in connection with family reunification'.
- □ The completed and signed 'Questionnaire family relationship child'.
- **D** The completed and signed 'Appendix Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind'.
- □ The completed and signed `Appendix Statement regarding the absence of the `Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind'.
- The completed and signed 'Appendix Declaration 'More than normal emotional ties'.
- □ The completed and signed appendix 'Declaration by Sponsor (family and relatives)'.

By placing my signature, I declare that I am the sponsor of my family member. Who may be a sponsor is explained in Section 2a of the Aliens Act (Vw). As a sponsor I have rights and obligations. I know and understand them. My rights and obligations can be found on <u>www.ind.nl</u> (Home > Legal obligations private sponsor).

I also declare that I have filled in this form truthfully. I know that the IND uses the personal details filled in and I am aware that the IND can forward these details to other organisations.

Are you applying to have your parents come to the Netherlands and you are under 12 years of age? Your guardian must then place a signature on this application on your behalf.

## 10.1 Name

10.2	Place and date	Place				
		Day	Month	Year		

10.3 Signature



# **Appendix Antecedents Certificate**

#### Who should complete this appendix?

Pursuant to Articles 3.77, paragraph 11 and 3.86, paragraph 18 of the Aliens Decree, every foreign national aged 12 years or older must complete this appendix.

*Please note!* This statement consists of 2 pages. You must complete **both** pages.

# **1** Declaration of the foreign national

On this form you fill in whether you have ever committed a crime or a criminal offence. These are crimes committed in the Netherlands and criminal offences committed outside the Netherlands. You must answer the questions with *Yes* or *No*. Not completing the form truthfully or failing to report is a criminal offence. This can lead to a sanction. Your answers may have consequences for your application or for a residence permit that you have previously received.

> Please tick the applicable situation

Are you currently being prosecuted for committing a crime in the Netherlands? Or for committing a criminal offence abroad?	Yes	No
Have you ever been sentenced to a fine, community service, penalty order by a public prosecutor, custodial measure or imprisonment or have you accepted an out-of-court settlement for committing a crime in the Netherlands? Or have you ever been convicted of committing a criminal offence abroad?	Yes	No
Have you ever committed a crime, or have you been involved in a crime as referred to in Article 1F of the 1951 Geneva Convention on Refugees? Like a murder, war crime, genocide, terrorist crime or crimes against humanity?	Yes	No
Have you received an entry ban from one of the countries of the EU/EEA or Switzerland?* Or a measure similar to an entry ban?	Yes	No
* This is a ban on travel to the Netherlands, the EU / EEA or Switzerland.		
Have you submitted incorrect data during earlier residence procedures in the Netherlands?	Yes	No
Have you ever stayed illegally in the Netherlands?	Yes	No
> Have you ticked Yes for one or more questions? Then explain why.		

# 2 Signature of the foreign national

- $\checkmark$  I have completed this form truthfully.
- ✓ I know that the IND can reject my application or withdraw my residence permit if I have ever been convicted of committing a crime.
- ✓ If something changes in my situation through which my statements on this form are no longer correct, I will notify the IND as soon as possible. I do this within four weeks after the change in my situation.

2.1	V-number (if known)						J	
2.2	Name							
2.3	Date of birth	Day	Month	Year				
2.4	Place and date	Place						
		Day	Month	Year				
2.5	Signature							

#### Processing of personal data



# **Appendix Certificate of non-impediment**

This statement only applies to children aged 15 years or older. With this statement you indicate whether you are (or have been) married and whether you are in a relationship.

*Please note!* Not completing this *Certificate of non-impediment* truthfully is an offense of which in all cases a report will be made.

This statement can be completed and signed by you (child aged 15 or older), your legal representative or sponsor.

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	(as stated in the passport)	First i	names					 			
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1.4	Date of birth	Day			nth	Ŷ	'ear				
1.5	Place of birth										
1.6	Country of birth (as stated in the passport)							 			
1.7	Nationality										
1.8	Civil status	n r d	inmarr narriec egister livorce vidow/	i ·ed pa d		ship					
1.9	Are you in a relationship (other than marriage or registered partnership)?		'es Io								

1.11 Details passport

Street

Number				
Postcode				
Town				
Number				
Country				
Valid from (date)	Day	Month	Year	
to	Day	Month	Year	<u> </u>

# 2 Declaration

Please note! Tick 'yes' or 'no' after each statement and do not skip any lines.

<b>.</b> .		> Pleas	se tick	<
•	eclare that: I am married. I have entered into a registered partnership. I am divorced. Name of former spouse or registered partner:	Yes Yes Yes		No No No
•	I am a widow or widower. Name of deceased spouse or registered partner:	Yes		No
•	I have a long-term and exclusive relationship with someone (a relationship similar to a marriage but you are not married). I do have the care of a child or children.	Yes Yes		No No
•	I live independently (on my own).	Yes		No
•	I live with my (adoptive or foster) parent(s).	Yes		No
•	I provide for my own livelihood. This means, among other things, that you are financially able to buy food and clothing yourself.	Yes		No

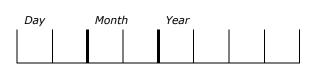
# 3 Signing

- $\checkmark$  I have completed this form truthfully.
- ✓ I know that not being honest about my marital status, this could have negative consequences for my application.
- ✓ I know that if something changes in my situation as a result of which my statements on this form are no longer correct, I must report this to the IND as soon as possible.

#### 3.1 Name

3.2 Place and date

Place



3.3 Signature

#### **Processing of personal data**



# Appendix Declaration by sponsor (family and relatives)

#### Explanation

If you apply for residence for a family member to stay with you in the Netherlands, you are the sponsor. This comes with responsibilities. As a sponsor, you must ensure that your family member meets the conditions for a residence permit. Not only when applying for a residence permit, but also afterwards. Is your family member no longer entitled to reside in the Netherlands? Then you must ensure that your family member leaves the Netherlands.

*Please note!* You only complete this statement for your own family members. Are you applying for a child that is not your own child, but that of your spouse/partner? In that case, your spouse/partner must complete this statement for the child.

#### **Report changes**

Are there any changes in your situation, which could have any effect on the residence permit? If so, you are obliged to report these changes to the IND within 4 weeks. The IND refers to this as the obligation to provide information. Please use the 'Notification form for family members and relatives', which you can download from <u>www.ind.nl</u>. The form lists the changes you need to report.

#### **Retain records**

You are obliged to collect and store any relevant information about your family member. You can find the data you are obliged to store in the Aliens Regulations. You must store this documentary evidence for 5 years after you are no longer the sponsor of the foreign national. The IND refers to this as the duty to keep and retain records. The IND can request data from you at any time. In this way the IND checks whether you comply with this obligation.

#### **Processing of personal data**

1	Details of sponsor		Write in block letters
1.1	Name (as stated in the passport)	Surname	
		First names	
1.2	Sex	<ul><li>Male</li><li>Female</li></ul>	
1.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year	

- 1.4 Place of birth
- 1.5 Country of birth

(as stated in the passport)1.6 Address where you keep the records of the foreign nationa

foreign	national	Write in block letters
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	Postcode	
	Number	
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sport)		

# 2 Details of the foreign national

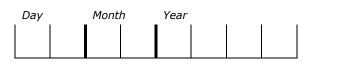
2.1	Name (as stated in the passport)	Surname
		First names
2.2	Sex	<ul><li>Male</li><li>Female</li></ul>
2.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year
2.4	Place of birth	
2.5	Country of birth (as stated in the passport)	

# 3 Signing by sponsor

I declare that I present myself as sponsor for the foreign national mentioned under 2 for whom I am applying for a residence permit.

3.1 Place and date

Place



## 3.2 Signature



# Appendix Application for DNA test in case of family reunification

You applied for family reunification for a relative or family member. With this application, you must provide proof of a family relationship. Usually, this proof is provided by submitting official (legalised) documents. DNA testing can prove the family relationship if these documents are missing due to circumstances beyond your control. Here, you can read how a DNA test works.

#### DNA

Each person has unique characteristics. These characteristics have been embedded in our DNA. This DNA can be found in all our body cells. Everyone passes part of these unique characteristics on to his or her children. So father, mother and children partly have the same DNA. A DNA test compares the DNA of your family members. The result of the DNA test proves whether or not you are related to each other. For that reason, DNA testing only provides certainty about the biological parent-child relationship. In the case of foster or adopted children, DNA testing is therefore pointless.

#### **DNA test**

A mouth swab sample is taken from you, your spouse, and child(ren) for the DNA test. Your family members must make an appointment to have their DNA sample collected at the Dutch embassy. Once they have done so, they must inform you immediately. The day after the DNA sample was collected, you can make an online appointment at the IND desk in Utrecht. You also do this for biological family members in the Netherlands. Then researchers will compare the DNA in the saliva. The results show whether there is a biological relationship between the child(ren) and you (and/or your spouse).

#### DNA test step by step

The DNA test is not painful and not injurious to one's health.

- 1. The identity is established.
- 2. A mouth swab is taken from the inside of your cheek. This is done by using a special swab.
- 3. All the DNA material is analysed by the Netherlands Forensic Institute (NFI).
- 4. The NFI sends the result of the DNA test to the IND.

#### **Possible results**

DNA testing can establish (with certainty) that

- you are the father or mother of a child.
- you are not the father or mother of a child.

Has the DNA of both parents been analysed? Then one of them may turn out not to be the child's biological parent.

#### **Test results**

The IND will take account of the DNA test results in its decision on your application for family reunification. After six months, the NFI destroys the DNA material taken and the (personal) data relating to it. These data will not be used for other purposes.

#### Countercheck

If the DNA test result is negative, you can have a counter-test done by another laboratory. This is called a countercheck. Only approved laboratories may carry out DNA relationship tests. The Dutch Accreditation Council determines whether a laboratory will be approved. You can use the search function on the website of the Dutch Accreditation Council (www.rva.nl/search) to check whether a laboratory has been approved or not. You must pay the costs of the countercheck.

#### More information

Do you still have any questions after reading this information? Then please contact the IND or the Dutch embassy or consulate in the country where you live. Check www.ind.nl for the contact details of the IND. Keep the V-number of your sponsor at hand. Do you have a complaint about the way in which the IND treated you? Then you can use the complaints form at www.ind.nl.

To be con	npleted by the IND					
V-number	of applicant					
IND locati	IND location					
IND conta	IND contact person					
1	DNA test (to be comple	ted by the sponsor) Write in block letters				
1.1	Name of applicant (as stated in the passport)	Surname				
		First names				
1.2	Sex	Male				
		Female				
1.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year				
1.4	Nationality					
1.5	Home address	Street				
		Number				
		Postcode				
		Town				
1.6	Identity document Number of passport, ID card, etc.					
1.7	V-number					

# 1.8 Details family member 1

<b>1.8</b> 1.8.1	Details family member 1 Name of family member (as stated in the passport)	Surname					
		First names					
1.8.2	Sex	<ul> <li>Male</li> <li>Female</li> </ul>					
1.8.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year					
1.8.4	Nationality						
1.8.5	Relation to the sponsor	<ul> <li>Child</li> <li>Parent</li> <li>Spouse</li> </ul>					
1.8.6	V-number	> To be completed by the IND					
<b>1.9</b> 1.9.1	<b>Details family member 2</b> Name of family member (as stated in the passport)	Surname First names					
1.9.2	Sex	<ul> <li>Male</li> <li>Female</li> </ul>					
1.9.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year					
1.9.4	Nationality						
1.9.5	Relation to the sponsor	<ul> <li>Child*</li> <li>Parent</li> <li>Spouse</li> <li>Biological brother/sister **</li> <li>* In the case of a child of the sponsor: This child is the biological child of?</li> <li>Applicant</li> <li>Family member no:</li> <li>Applicant and family member no:</li> <li>** Only applicable in the case of a brother/sister of a minor sponsor: does</li> </ul>					

this family member have the same mother and father as the sponsor?

- Yes
- No, child of family member:

		> To be completed by the IND					
1.9.6	V-number						
<b>1.10</b> 1.10.1	<b>Details family member 3</b> Name of family member (as stated in the passport)	Surname First names					
1.10.2	Sex	<ul><li>Male</li><li>Female</li></ul>					
1.10.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year					
1.10.4	Nationality						
1.10.5	Relation to the sponsor	<ul> <li>Child*</li> <li>Biological brother/sister **</li> <li>* In the case of a child of the sponsor: This child is the biological child of?</li> <li>Applicant</li> <li>Family member no:</li> <li>Applicant and family member no:</li> <li>** Only applicable in the case of a brother/sister of a minor sponsor: does this family member have the same mother and father as the sponsor?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No, child of family member:</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>5</li> <li>6</li> </ul>					
1.10.6	V-number	> To be completed by the IND					
<b>1.11</b> 1.11.1	<b>Details family member 4</b> Name of family member (as stated in the passport)	Surname First names					
1.11.2	Sex	<ul><li>Male</li><li>Female</li></ul>					
1.11.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year					
1.11.4	Nationality						

1.11.5	Relation to the sponsor	<ul> <li>Child*</li> <li>Biological brother/sister **</li> <li>* In the case of a child of the sponsor: This child is the biological child of?</li> <li>Applicant</li> <li>Family member no:</li> <li>Applicant and family member no:</li> <li>** Only applicable in the case of a brother/sister of a minor sponsor: does this family member have the same mother and father as the sponsor?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No, child of family member:</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>5</li> <li>6</li> </ul>
		> To be completed by the IND
1.11.6	V-number	
<b>1.12</b> 1.12.1	Details family member 5 Name of family member (as stated in the passport)	Surname
1.12.2	Sex	First names
1.12.2	300	Female
1.12.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year
1.12.4	Nationality	
1.12.5	Relation to the sponsor	<ul> <li>Child*</li> <li>Biological brother/sister **</li> <li>* In the case of a child of the sponsor: This child is the biological child of?</li> <li>Applicant</li> <li>Family member no:</li> <li>Applicant and family member no:</li> <li>** Only applicable in the case of a brother/sister of a minor sponsor: does this family member have the same mother and father as the sponsor?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No, child of family member:</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4</li> <li>5</li> <li>6</li> </ul>
1.12.6	V-nummer	> To be completed by the IND

## 1.13 Details family member 6

number:

1.13 1.13.1	Name of family member (as stated in the passport)	Surname
		First names
1.13.2	Sex	<ul> <li>Male</li> <li>Female</li> </ul>
1.13.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year
1.13.4	Nationality	
1.13.5	Relation to the sponsor	<ul> <li>Child*</li> <li>Biological brother/sister **</li> <li>* In the case of a child of the sponsor: This child is the biological child of?</li> <li>Applicant</li> </ul>
		<ul><li>Family member no:</li><li>Applicant and family member no:</li></ul>
		<ul> <li>** Only applicable in the case of a brother/sister of a minor sponsor: does this family member have the same mother and father as the sponsor?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No, child of family member:</li> <li>1 2 3 4 5 6</li> </ul>
1.13.6	V-number	> To be completed by the IND
1.14 1.14.1	<b>Details parent staying behind</b> Name of parent staying behind (as stated in the passport)	Surname
		First names
1.14.2	Sex	<ul> <li>Male</li> <li>Female</li> </ul>
1.14.3	Date of birth	Day Month Year
1.14.4	Nationality	
		> Please tick the applicable situation
1.14.5	Parent of family member:	
1.15	Recent contact information of the f My family members can be contacted via this telephone	amily members

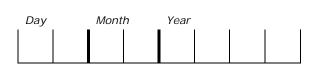
# 2 Signing by applicant

I hereby allow DNA-samples to be taken of (the) aforementioned family member(s). I agree that the results of the examination will only be used to assess the application for family reunification. My family member(s) will report to the Dutch embassy or consulate in:

2.1 Country and town Dutch representation

#### 2.2 Place and date

Place



Signature (If you are applying for your parents to join you in the Netherlands and you are younger than 12 years of age then your guardian must sign this declaration on your behalf.)

#### 2.3 Signature

#### Processing of personal data



# **Questionnaire (married) partner for asylum in connection with family reunification**

You have to fill in this questionnaire as extensive and detailed as possible. Use a separate letter to answer the questions if you need extra space.

1	When did you first meet your (marriage) partner? Be as specific as possible.	
2	In your opinion, since when has there been a relationship between you and your (marriage) partner?	
3	How did the relationship between you and your (marriage) partner come to being?	
4	Did you and your (married) partner live together)? If not, why did you not live together? If so, since when and on which address(es)?	□ Yes □ No
5	Are you currently in a relationship with someone other than the person you are submitting this application for? If so, with whom and how would you define this relationship?	

6	<b>Question 6: only in case of a relation</b> What is your relationship, and how did it develop? (For example, describe the things you do together, shared goals for the future, and common interests).	nship that is considered to be a partnership relationship
7a	Did your (married) partner fulfill the compulsory military service?	□ Yes □ No
7b	If this is the case, when did your (married) partner fulfill the compulsory military service and for which part of the military? (enclose a copy of the military booklet to this appendix)	Since when: Day Month Year Which part of the military:
8a	Is or was your (married) partner a member of an armed group?	□ Yes □ No
8b	If this is the case, which armed group and since when?	Since when: Day Month Year Which armed group:

#### Processing of personal data



# Questionnaire family relationship child

You have to fill in this questionnaire as extensive and detailed as possible. Use a separate letter to answer the questions if you need extra space.

You must fill in this questionnaire if it concerns:

- Your biological child of 15 years or older or your brothers and/or sisters > Fill in 1.1 through 2.7
- Your foster child
- A biological child of your (married) partner, that is not your child

#### Details of the child 1

Name of the child 1.1 (as stated in the passport) Surname

First names

Date of birth 1.2

#### 2 Questionnaire

- 2.1a Did your child always belong to your family?
- 2.1b If not, for what reason?

- 2.2a Did your child live on its own when you left your family?
- If this is not the case, does your child live 2.2b on its own at present?
- Day Month Year Write in block letters □ Yes No
- **D** Yes D No

> Fill in 1.1 through 2.11

> Fill in 1.1 through 2.7 and 2.12

Write in block letters

2.3a	Was your child able to support himself/herself (do what is necessary to keep himself/herself alive) upon your departure? For example, able to buy food, clothing, shelter, etc.	<ul><li>Yes</li><li>No</li></ul>
2.3b	If so, how? If not, does your child provide for himself/herself at present?	
2.4a	Was your child married or in a relationship when you left your family?	Yes No
2.4b	If not, is your child currently married or in a relationship?	
2.5a	Had your child formed an independent family when you left the family?	<ul><li>Yes</li><li>No</li></ul>
2.5b	If not, has your child currently formed an independent family?	
2.6a	Did your child fulfill the compulsory military service?	<ul><li>Yes</li><li>No</li></ul>
2.6b	If this is the case, when did your child fulfill the compulsory military service and for which part of the military? (enclose a copy of the military booklet to this appendix)	Since when: Day Month Year Which part of the military:
2.7a	Is or was your child a member of an armed group?	<ul><li>Yes</li><li>No</li></ul>

# 2.7b If so, which armed group and since when? Since when:

		Da	У	Mon	th	Year		
		Whi	ch armeo	d grou	):			
Only if	the application concerns a foster child							
2.8	Why did you adopt your foster child in your family?							
2.9	How long has your foster child been a part of your family?							 
2.10a	If the biological parents of your foster child are still alive: Are the biological parents (father and mother) involved in the upbringing and caretaking of your foster child?		Yes No					
2.10b	If so, in which way does this involvement take place?						 	
2.11a	Are the biological parents capable of taking care of the foster child?		Yes No					
2.11b	If, not, why are they not capable?	_						

#### Only if the application concerns a child of your (married) partner

Did the child of your (married) partner	Yes
form part of your family in your country of origin?	No

2.12b If so, during which period did this occur?

#### **Processing of personal data**



# Appendix Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind

I hereby declare that I consent to the departure of my child for the Netherlands

1	Details of my child								Ŵ	rite in blo	ock letters
1.1	V-number (if known)										
1.2	Name (as stated in the passport)	Surname									
		First names	;								
1.3	Sex	<ul><li>Male</li><li>Female</li></ul>									
1.4	Date of birth	Day	Month		Year						
1.5	Place of birth	. <u></u>									
1.6	Country of birth (as stated in the passport)										
1.7	While in the Netherlands my child w > <i>Please tick the box to show who</i> your child will be living with	vill be living wi Father Mother Foster f	father	nily o	f his/h	er bic	ologica	al or fo	oster f	ather/mot	her:
2	Details of the parent wi	ith whom	your	child	d wil	l be	e liv	ing i	in		
	the Netherlands								14/2	ita in bla	ck letters
2.1	Name (as stated in the passport)	Surname								ne in 6100	

First names

		Day	Montl	ר	Year			
2.2	Date of birth							
2.3	Nationality							

# 3 Signing by the biological parent remaining behind

Place

I am aware that not completing this declaration of consent truthfully may affect my child's right to stay in the Netherlands. I am also aware that, if I can not show an id-document with my signature and means of evidence showing the biological relationship between my child and I, I have to go to the Dutch embassy to have my DNA-samples taken.

#### 3.1 Name

# 3.2 Place and date

Day	Month	Year	1 1		

3.3 Signature

#### Processing of personal data



# Appendix Statement regarding the absence of the 'Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind'

To be completed by the sponsor.

# **1** Declaration

I hereby declare that the parent remaining behind, of the child:

- 1.1 Name parent
- 1.2 Date of birth parent

Day	Monti	h	Year		

- 1.3 Name child
- 1.4 Date of birth child

Day	Month		Year		

- > Please tick the applicable situation:
- was asked by me to sign the 'Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind' through which he/she agrees with the departure of this child to the Netherlands. This declaration will be sent as soon as possible.
- is not able to sign the 'Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind' through which he/she agrees with the departure of this child to the Netherlands. Explain the reason below.
- does not want to sign the 'Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind'. Explain the reason below.

Explain what you did to obtain the Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind'. When did you do what? Give concrete examples and explain what the results are of your attempts. Use a separate sheet of paper when you need more space for your explanations.

# 2 Signing by sponsor

## 2.1 Name

	Hame						
2.2	Place and date	Place					
		Day	Month	Year	1	1	1
2.3	Signature						

#### Processing of personal data



# **Appendix Declaration `More than normal emotional ties'**

You have to fill in this questionnaire as extensive and detailed as possible. Use a separate sheet of paper to answer the questions if you need extra space. Also send documents that can prove your answers.

By filling in these questions, you should explain the relationship between you and your family member. You must demonstrate that you depend on your relative more so than usual. Or that your relative is more dependent on you than usual. In this context, 'dependent' means: can your family member manage without you? Or can you manage without your family member?

# **1** Declaration

This declaration concerns my family member:

1.1 Name

1.2	Did you and your family member	
	live together? If so, how long (from to)	
	and where?	
1.3	Do you and your family member	
	live together? If so, how long (from to)	
	and where?	
1.4	Does your family member have	
	medical problems? If so, which?	

1.5	Is your family member dependent	
	on others for care due to these medical problems? If so, what for	
	and from whom? Who took care of	
	your family member before, and who does now? What can your	
	family member still do by himself/herself (without help)?	
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
1.6	Is your family member financially	
	dependent on you? If so, what does that financial assistance look like?	
1.7	How does your family member cope	
	without you?	
1.8	What links does your family	
	member have with the country of origin?	
1.9	Are there any other circumstances	
	by which your family member is dependent on you? If so, which?	

# 2 Signing by sponsor

## 2.1 Name

2.2	Place and date	Place
		Day Month Year
2.3	Signature	

#### Processing of personal data