## MINORS TRAVELLING TO MAURITIUS, WITHOUT ONE OR BOTH PARENTS

In addition to their own valid passport, all children travelling to Mauritius:

- (a) alone; or
- (b) with adults who are not their legal guardian; or
- (c) with only one parent;

<u>may</u> need an <u>extra document</u> (letter) signed by their parents, second parent (in case travelling with one parent only) or legal guardian(s) authorising the children to travel.

Before the child leaves his/her country of residence, please check with the Immigration Department of the country of residence as well as the airline(s) if there are any conditions/requirements to allow the child to exit the country of residence.

Please note that even if the country of residence does not require minors to carry such an authorisation to leave its territory, other countries through which the minors transit may still ask/require such an authorisation.

It is also highly recommended to check if one of the parents (if in the process of divorce or if already divorced) has not lodged an objection to departure of the minor(s) from the country of residence. In case there is an objection to departure by one of the parents, then the same parent must give his/her consent for the child to travel.

If one of the parents refuses to give the consent, the other parent can make an application to the Court for lifting the prohibition or for granting an exceptional authorisation for the child to leave the country of residence.