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Victeam Orphan Airlift to Resume

The Immigration and Naturalization Service yesterday announced it is resuming airlifts of Vietnam orphans so that about 300 remaining in Saigon can be maining in Saigon can be brought into this country.

A spokesman said the program will be limited to the original group of about 2000 orphans who have been selected with adoptive parents already lined up in the United States.

Those to be brought in by the resumed airlift are already in the custody of an adoption agency and their cases are already being processed.

A total of 1633 orphans had been airlifted to this country before the immigration service temporarily suspended the program until it could be sure those remaining fall within the 2000 that the attorney general authorized originally.

The service said it will consider additional applications only if requested to do so by the state department. These applications will have to be approved by the attorney general and congressional committees will have to be consulted, an immigration spokesman said.

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